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Session 1: Word List

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.

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.

seminar

n. a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject

synonym: workshop, conference, symposium

(1) business **seminar**, (2) academic **seminar**

I'm attending a leadership **seminar** next week.

graduate

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

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

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

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

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym : endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym : accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym : equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym : domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially

in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

disregard

v. to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something

synonym : ignore, pay no attention to, overlook

(1) **disregard** for human rights, (2) **disregard** the rules

She **disregarded** all the warnings and proceeded with her dangerous plan.

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.

dedication

n. a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important

synonym : devotion, faithfulness, loyalty

(1) **dedication** to public service, (2) **dedication** ceremony

We are very impressed with your strong **dedication** to quality.

achievement

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

synonym : accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

serenity

n. the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness

synonym : calmness, tranquility, peacefulness

(1) fall into **serenity**, (2) **serenity** prayer

Meditation and yoga are great ways to achieve **serenity** and

peace of mind.

studied

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

synonym: thoughtful, deliberate, calculated

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

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

illustrate

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

synonym: demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

sphere

n. a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

synonym: ball, globe, scope

(1) **sphere** of influence, (2) business **sphere**

The **sphere** of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

fierce

adj. severe and violent in a way that is frightening

synonym: ferocious, convulsive, forceful

(1) **fierce** competition, (2) a **fierce** animal

The **fierce** thunders echoed across the plain.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

celebrity

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

synonym: figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide
The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

fame

n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

synonym: celebrity, renown, stardom

(1) leap into **fame**, (2) his undying **fame**

Good **fame** is better than a good face.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym: achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

synonym: brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

scramble

v. to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game

synonym: scramble, jumble, mix

(1) **scramble** through her purse, (2) **scramble** words

The kids eagerly **scrabbled** to find the hidden Easter eggs in the garden.

spare

adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

synonym: extra, excess, (verb) afford

(1) **spare** parts, (2) **spare** cost

I made plans to spend my **spare** time beneficially.

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**.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

poet

n. a person who writes poetry

synonym: versifier, rhymmer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

frigate

n. a warship that is smaller and more maneuverable than a battleship or cruiser, often used for patrolling and escort duties; a fast-sailing ship used for exploration or trade

synonym: warship, vessel, cruiser

(1) naval **frigate**, (2) modern **frigate**

The navy deployed its high-speed **frigate** to protect its territorial waters.

merry

adj. cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

synonym: jolly, happy, cheerful

(1) **merry-making**, (2) **merry** laughter

We had a **merry** time at the Christmas party, singing carols and drinking eggnog.

- lord** *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
synonym : master, noble, peer
(1) a young **lord**, (2) **lord** of castle
The feudal **lord** had ruled the land for many years.
- poetry** *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
synonym : ode, poesy, verse
(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**
Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.
- literature** *n.* written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value
synonym : writing, prose, fiction
(1) popular **literature**, (2) review of the **literature**
The **literature** of the Romantic period is known for its emotion and imagination.
- transcend** *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
synonym : surpass, exceed, overcome
(1) **transcend** boundaries, (2) **transcend** limits
The music **transcended** cultural barriers and reached audiences globally.
- surround** *v.* to be all around something or somebody
synonym : encircle, encompass, envelop
(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.
- haunted** *adj.* inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions
synonym : spooky, eerie, ghostly
(1) **haunted** house, (2) **haunted** by memories

The old mansion was known to be **haunted**, with strange noises and eerie sightings reported by visitors.

childbirth

n. the act or process of giving birth to a baby

synonym: delivery, labor, parturition

(1) natural **childbirth**, (2) assisted **childbirth**

He was present at the **childbirth** of his children.

moreover

adv. indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before

synonym: furthermore, besides, in addition

(1) **moreover**, she decided to go, (2) but **moreover**, they work well together

The company is environmentally conscious, and **moreover**, it uses sustainable materials in its products.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

sweep

v. to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

synonym: clean, clear, brush off

(1) **sweep** up dead leaves, (2) **sweep** a room with a glance

The politician tried to **sweep** the embarrassing incident under the rug.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

consolation

n. the comfort received by a person after misfortune or disappointment

synonym: comfort, condolence, solacing

(1) a letter of **consolation**, (2) ask for **consolation** money

Your company has been a great **consolation** to me.

ancient

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

synonym: archaic, age-old, obsolete

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

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

notion

n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

synonym: idea, concept, belief

(1) **notion** of success, (2) vague **notion**

The **notion** of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym: sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;

(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

reputation

n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

synonym : fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

outlive

v. to live longer than another person

synonym : continue, outlast, survive

(1) **outlive** its usefulness, (2) **outlive** our child

She **outlived** her husband for many years.

existence

n. the state or fact of someone or something existing

synonym : fact, being, reality

(1) the biggest tree in **existence**, (2) the struggle for **existence**

He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the **existence** of heaven or hell.

lodestar

n. a guiding star, especially the North Star (Polaris), used to determine direction; a person or thing that serves as a reliable guide or principle

synonym : guiding star, polestar, compass

(1) political **lodestar**, (2) **lodestar** for success

The North Star is a reliable **lodestar** for navigators in the night sky.

significance

n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

synonym : importance, value, worth

(1) **significance** level, (2) mystical **significance**

The **significance** of his discovery cannot be overstated.

depression

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

synonym: recession, slump, despair

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

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

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.

combine

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

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

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

(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym: destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

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.

legislature

n. a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state

synonym : government, lawmaking group

(1) colonial **legislature**, (2) a prefectural **legislature**

The people elect **legislature** members to represent their interests and make decisions on their behalf.

downward

adj. moving towards a lower position or a lower level

synonym : lower, earthward, descending

(1) a **downward** slope, (2) maintain **downward** compatibility

The stock market has been in a **downward** trend for the past month.

slide

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

synonym : glide, drift, drop

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

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

depressed

adj. sad and without any hope

synonym : despondent, despairing, sad

(1) **depressed** feeling, (2) the market is **depressed**

After his mother died, he got **depressed**.

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

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

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

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

razor

n. a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair

synonym : blade, shaver, cutter

(1) **razor** blade, (2) an electric **razor**

He shaved with a **razor** to get a close shave.

scissor

v. (noun, usually "scissors") a cutting instrument consisting of a pair of metal blades; to cut or clip something with scissors; to move or position two things that cross each other like a pair of scissors

synonym : cut, clip, shear

(1) **scissor** paper, (2) kitchen **scissors**

I need to **scissor** my hair to even out the ends.

rally

v. a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

synonym : gathering, meetup, demonstration

(1) **rally** in front of the embassy, (2) the preliminary **rally**

There was a massive police presence at the anti-government **rally**.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym : energy, power, gas

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

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

eventually

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

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

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

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

congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

synonym : legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **Congress**, (2) peace **Congress**

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

Senate

n. a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament

synonym : upper house, council, assembly

(1) **Senate** hearing, (2) **Senate** Finance Committee

The **Senate** majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

upset

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym : win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

presidency

n. the office or term of the President of a country or organization

synonym : leadership, administration, governance

(1) **presidency** term, (2) **presidency** duties

Her candidacy for the **presidency** has been met with both support and criticism.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym: knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym: acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

rival

n. a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area

synonym: adversary, competitor, contender

(1) **rival** bidder, (2) merge with a **rival** company

He interfered with his **rivals** in various ways during the campaign.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym: select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

stun

v. to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly

synonym: shock, amaze, astound

(1) **stun** fish, (2) **stun** an audience

This sprinter **stunned** the world with his speed.

appoint

v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place

synonym : designate, assign, name

(1) **appoint** members, (2) **appoint** the day

The court **appointed** a guardian for the child.

cabinet

n. a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

synonym : cupboard, ministry, authority

(1) member of the **cabinet**, (2) the **cabinet** above the sink

The prime minister decided to reshuffle his **cabinet** to regain support.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

synonym : novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

figurehead

n. a person who holds a nominal or titular position of leadership or authority but who has no real power or influence; a symbolic representation, often in the form of a carved figure or a painting, that is mounted on the bow of a ship

synonym : puppet, emblem, symbol

(1) political **figurehead**, (2) **figurehead** company

The mayor is only a **figurehead** in this town, with the real power being held by the city council

peril

n. serious and great danger or risk

synonym : hazard, danger, threat

(1) the **peril** of the sea, (2) environmental **peril**

Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in **peril**.

noble

adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire

synonym : dignified, aristocratic, benevolent

(1) a **noble** family, (2) **noble** gas

He is a **noble-minded** man

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym : style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym : arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

dispute

n. a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

synonym : argument, disagreement, quarrel

(1) a legal **dispute** over the title, (2) **dispute** settlement

The **dispute** over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.

captain

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

synonym : boss, director, leader

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

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

unruly

adj. difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly

synonym: naughty, defiant, disobedient

(1) **unruly** beast, (2) **unruly** behavior

The **unruly** children in the classroom made teaching difficult for the teacher.

possessed

adj. controlled or influenced by a strong emotion or belief

synonym: controlled, influenced, consumed

(1) **possessed** by a fox, (2) like a person **possessed**

She was **possessed** by a fierce determination to succeed.

unparalleled

adj. without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other

synonym: outstanding, phenomenal, remarkable

(1) **unparalleled** views, (2) an **unparalleled** achievement

Several American technology companies have achieved **unparalleled** success in terms of customer numbers.

array

n. a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive

synonym: collection, display, batch

(1) a two-dimensional **array**, (2) an **array** of troops

The customer on the Internet has to choose one from a formidable **array** of products.

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.

strength

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

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

external

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

synonym : outside, exterior, foreign

(1) **external** factors, (2) **external** commerce

When a company discloses information to the market, an **external** auditor verifies them.

résumé

n. a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements

synonym : summary, outline, recap

(1) **résumé** template, (2) professional **résumé**

You need to update your **résumé** before submitting it for the job application.

uncanny

adj. strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling

synonym : arcane, astonishing, eerie

(1) in an **uncanny** manner, (2) **uncanny** resemblance

She has an **uncanny** sense of who is telling a lie.

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.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym : wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

escalate

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

synonym : increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change
synonym: lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

hostility

n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
synonym: antagonism, antipathy, estrangement

(1) an act of **hostility**, (2) bitter **hostility**

Her unconcealed **hostility** made us unpleasant.

creditor

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

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

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

assume

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

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

subordinate

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

synonym : inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym : continuously, always, frequently

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

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

acknowledged

adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid

synonym : recognized, accepted, admitted

(1) **acknowledged** beauty, (2) publicly **acknowledged** truth

His **acknowledged** expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

candidate

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

synonym : applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

refuse

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

synonym : turn down, deny, decline

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

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym : stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction
Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

petty

adj. of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters

synonym: minor, insignificant, trivial

(1) **petty** crime, (2) **petty** cash

The **petty** arguments between coworkers were causing a toxic work environment.

grievance

n. a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment

synonym: complaint, grudge, injustice

(1) file a **grievance**, (2) a minor **grievance**

She had a legitimate **grievance** with her employer over unequal pay.

submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

synonym: hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

jealousy

n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire

synonym: envy, covetousness, resentment

(1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**

His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

brood

v. to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth

synonym: offspring, hatch, family

(1) **brood** about the defeat, (2) a **brood** of chickens
The terrible result **brooded** over her all day long.

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

slight

adj. very small in degree or amount

synonym: feeble, nuanced, subtle

(1) feel a **slight** concern, (2) **slight** increase

We made **slight** modifications to reflect the views of both sides.

unshakeable

adj. not able to be shaken or moved; firm, steadfast, and determined; describing a person who is strong, resolute, and unwavering

synonym: unwavering, firm, resolute

(1) **unshakeable** determination, (2) **unshakeable** trust

His **unshakeable** confidence inspired those around him to take bold risks.

conviction

n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

synonym: belief, certainty, faith

(1) moral **conviction**, (2) **conviction** for murder

She spoke with **conviction** about the importance of education.

metaphor

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

synonym: conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**
She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

emancipation

n. the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence

synonym: liberation, freedom, release

(1) self- **emancipation**, (2) history of **emancipation**

His **emancipation** from his parents was a defining moment and gave him newfound freedom.

proclamation

n. an official announcement or statement

synonym: announcement, declamation, edict

(1) **proclamation** of innocence, (2) nullify a **proclamation**

The king made a **proclamation** declaring war on the neighboring country.

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.

fond

adj. having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time

synonym: liking, enjoying, affectionate

(1) very **fond** of, (2) **fond** memories of the birthday

He is excessively **fond** of alcohol.

hop

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

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

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

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

signature

n. a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or

authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone

synonym : autograph, mark, handwriting

(1) **signature** dish, (2) artist's **signature**

The lawyer confirmed that the **signature** on the contract was genuine.

numb

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

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

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

My left arm became **numb**.

reception

n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people

synonym : welcome, greeting, party

(1) a cold **reception**, (2) **reception** desk

The wedding **reception** was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.

posterity

n. all future generations of people; the descendants or offspring of a person or a specific group

synonym : descendants, future generations, offspring

(1) pass on to **posterity**, (2) for the sake of **posterity**

The author's books are highly esteemed by literary critics and are considered treasures for **posterity**.

hesitate

v. to pause decision before saying or doing something

synonym : waver, pause, waffle

(1) **hesitate** for a moment, (2) **hesitate** to ask for help

Please do not **hesitate** to call us.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds
The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym: exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

barbaric

adj. characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society

synonym: savage, cruel, primitive

(1) **barbaric** treatment, (2) **barbaric** act

The **barbaric** practice of gladiator fighting was popular in ancient Rome.

midst

n. the middle part of people or things

synonym: middle, core, bosom

(1) in the **midst** of the crowd, (2) in the **midst** of a scandal

He remained serene in the **midst** of turbulence.

fin

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

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

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

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

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym: essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

ruling

n. a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or

regulations that dictate behavior or procedures;
(adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular
situation

synonym: judgment, decision, verdict

(1) legal **ruling**, (2) supreme court **ruling**

The judge's **ruling** was in favor of the defendant.

thunder

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

synonym: detonation, rumble, roar

(1) **thunder** cloud, (2) deafening **thunder** of applause

The roaring **thunder** was so loud that it woke me from sleep.

sunrise

n. the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the
sky

synonym: daybreak, morning, dawn

(1) beautiful **sunrise**, (2) high-technology **sunrise** industries

I got up early to watch the **sunrise** at the summit.

statesman

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national
or international affairs

synonym: solon, politician, legislator

(1) a woman **statesman**, (2) international **statesman**

This statue honors a distinguished **statesman**.

consist

v. to be composed or made up of

synonym: lie in, comprise, exist

(1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts

This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic**
feats.

integrity

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym : honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

moral

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

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

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

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

fiber

n. thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

synonym : yarn, thread, wool

(1) carbon **fiber**, (2) synthetic **fiber**

We must consume dietary **fiber** to maintain good health.

bleak

adj. unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope

synonym : miserable, pathetic, dim

(1) prospects were **bleak**, (2) **bleak** future

The political landscape looks **bleak** without a change of administration.

childhood

n. the state or time of being a child

synonym : youth, infancy, adolescence

(1) since **childhood**, (2) **childhood** development

He had fond memories of his **childhood** spent playing in the park with his friends.

laboriously

adv. with great effort, difficulty, or exertion; in a manner that requires a lot of physical or mental work

synonym : arduously, toilsomely, determinedly

(1) **laboriously** climb, (2) study **laboriously**

He worked **laboriously** on his research project, spending countless hours in the library.

educate

v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.

synonym: instruct, teach, train

(1) **educate** student, (2) **educate** public

The school's mission is to **educate** young children and prepare them for the future.

string

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

synonym: line, wire, rope

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

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

encompass

v. to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely

synonym: surround, encircle, include

(1) **encompass** a broad range, (2) **encompass** the enemy

The optimal solution that would **encompass** all these elements has yet to be proposed.

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym: burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

memoir

n. a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

synonym : bio, biography

(1) family **memoir**, (2) publish a **memoir**

He wrote his **memoirs** while awaiting trial.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

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.

psychic

adj. relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes

synonym : intuitive, clairvoyant, extrasensory

(1) **psychic** intuition, (2) **psychic** reading

She claimed to have **psychic** powers and could predict the future.

relation

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

synonym : association, linkage, connection

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

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

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

peculiar

adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way

synonym: bizarre, abnormal, odd

(1) **peculiar** way, (2) **peculiar** people

The juice has a **peculiar** taste.

whisper

v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

synonym: murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

republic

n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

synonym: democracy, federation, commonwealth

(1) **republic** democracy, (2) the **republic** of art

The United States is a federal presidential constitutional **republic**.

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.

surprisingly

adv. in a way that causes amazement or wonder

synonym: exceptionally, notably, unusually

(1) **surprisingly** advanced culture, (2) have **surprisingly** little effect

The exam was **surprisingly** tricky for everyone.

accompany

v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something

synonym: follow, escort, attend

(1) **accompany** a chicken dish, (2) **accompany** the book

Please let me know if you want to **accompany** me to my hometown.

ranch

n. a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

synonym: farm, estate, homestead

(1) cattle **ranch**, (2) dude **ranch**

The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the **ranch**.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

fabulous

adj. extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories

synonym:

amazing, wonderful, astonishing

(1) a **fabulous** price, (2) a **fabulous** monster

Thank you for inviting such a **fabulous** party tonight.

anecdotal

adj. based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

synonym: hearsay, informal, unreliable

(1) **anecdotal** evidence, (2) **anecdotal** example

My friend shared an **anecdotal** story about her experience in customer service.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

nonetheless

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

synonym: nevertheless, regardless, still

(1) we are **nonetheless** confident, (2) love him

nonetheless

They each choose **nonetheless** to battle.

attraction

n. a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity

synonym: allure, appeal, interest

(1) the big **attraction** of the event, (2) popular tourist

attraction

She felt an instant **attraction** toward him.

- tale** *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
synonym : canard, fiction, fable
(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror
Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.
- league** *n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters
synonym : association, organization, alliance
(1) **league** championship, (2) a baseball **league**
He was recruited to play in the professional **league**.
- discuss** *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
synonym : talk about, converse, debate
(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions
We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- ominous** *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
synonym : foreboding, portentous, ill-boding
(1) an **ominous** silence, (2) **ominous** sign
The **ominous** clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.
- convenient** *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
synonym : timely, fortunate, suitable
(1) **convenient** way, (2) **convenient** location
The airport offers five **convenient** access routes.
- tablecloth** *n.* a cloth used to cover a table, especially for protection or decoration
synonym : table cover, linens
(1) checkered **tablecloth**, (2) **tablecloth** size

The beautiful **tablecloth** added a touch of elegance to the dinner party.

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

sink

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

synonym: descend, drop, plummet

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

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

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

privilege

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

powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

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

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

victor

n. one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.

synonym : winner, conqueror, champion

(1) **victor** country, (2) the outright **victor**

The **victor** of the race was the favorite to win.

contest

n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals

synonym : battle, competition, match

(1) a speech **contest**, (2) a close **contest**

There was a vast **contest** between the two tribes.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym : helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

defeat

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

synonym : conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

sorrow

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

synonym : grief, heartache, melancholy

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

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

fir

n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches

synonym : pine, spruce, cedar

(1) **fir** branch, (2) **fir** forest

The smell of fresh **fir** trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.

instill

v. to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually

synonym : implant, ingrain, inculcate

(1) **instill** confidence, (2) **instill** medication into my eye

The teacher attempted to **instill** the importance of hard work in her students.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym : significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

leisure

n. the freedom provided by the absence of pressures or responsibilities

synonym : relaxation, rest, downtime

(1) **leisure** activity, (2) a person of **leisure**

I like to spend my **leisure** time playing sports or reading on weekends.

spacious

adj. (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space

synonym : big, roomy, ample

(1) a **spacious** room, (2) **spacious** country

They gazed blankly at the **spacious** skies.

countryside

n. rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

synonym : rural, rustic, pastoral

(1) **countryside** scenery, (2) **countryside** lifestyle

The small village in the **countryside** was perfect for a quiet getaway.

penthouse

n. a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building

synonym : apartment, suite, flat

(1) **penthouse** apartment, (2) **penthouse** terrace

The **penthouse** in the city center offers stunning views of the skyline.

sailor

n. a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard

synonym : seafarer, mariner, navigator

(1) **sailor** hat, (2) navy **sailor**

The experienced **sailor** calmly steered the ship through the rough waters.

servant

n. a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

synonym : attendant, helper, assistant

(1) **servant** of God, (2) fellow **servant**

The faithful **servant** had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.

whim

n. a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained

synonym : fancy, caprice, whimsy

(1) at the **whim** of circumstance, (2) **whim** of youth

He quit his job on a **whim** and moved to a new city.

concentration

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

synonym: attention, engagement, assiduity

(1) **concentration** of armaments, (2) his research area of **concentration**

This exam requires excellent **concentration** to pass.

solely

adv. only; exclusively; entirely; without any others being involved or present

synonym: exclusively, only, purely

(1) **solely** responsible, (2) **solely** focused

Its online sales **solely** drive the company's profits.

retirement

n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job

synonym: resignation, withdrawal, retreat

(1) **retirement** from politics, (2) impending **retirement**

This fund is responsible for disability and **retirement** benefits.

solace

n. comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering

synonym: comfort, condolence, peace

(1) **solace** in music, (2) offer **solace**

The grieving widow found **solace** in reading her late husband's letters.

recreation

n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

synonym: amusement, entertainment, refreshment

(1) outdoor **recreation**, (2) **recreation** of the homeland

Basketball is their usual **recreation** after school.

spirit

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

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

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

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

sag

v. to droop or hang down, especially due to a lack of support or the weight of something

synonym: droop, slump, bend

(1) **sag** my jaw, (2) **sag** with fatigue

The old mattress **sagged** in the middle, making it uncomfortable to sleep on.

deteriorate

v. to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate

synonym: decline, degenerate, regress

(1) **deteriorate** at a slow pace, (2) **deteriorate** condition

The patient's health **deteriorated** rapidly after being diagnosed with the disease.

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym: enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

wealth

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

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

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

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

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.

relaxation

n. a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure

synonym: rest, repose, ease

(1) **relaxation** techniques, (2) **relaxation** music

Yoga is a great way to promote **relaxation** and reduce stress.

replenish

v. to fill something that had previously been emptied

synonym: refill, reload, restock

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

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

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.

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym: adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

humor

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

synonym: comedy, funniness, liquid substance

(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**

My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.

hilarious

adj. extremely funny

synonym: funny, comical, amusing

(1) **hilarious** mistake, (2) a **hilarious** anecdote

The comedian's stand-up routine was **hilarious**.

sidelight

n. a window or light source located at the side of a room or building, usually providing additional illumination or serving as a decorative element

synonym : side lamp, sidelight window, illuminating window

(1) **sidelight** window, (2) decorative **sidelight**

The **sidelight** on the porch illuminated the entrance to the house.

whiskey

n. a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers

synonym : bourbon, scotch, rye

(1) bootleg **whiskey**, (2) **whiskey** barrel

I enjoy a glass of **whiskey** on the rocks after a long day.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

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**.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym : arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

county

n. an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

synonym : district, region, territory

(1) **county** seat, (2) throughout the **county**

The **county's** population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.

courthouse

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

synonym: court, tribunal, judicature

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

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

entertain

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

synonym: amuse, delight, engage

(1) **entertain** a guest, (2) let me **entertain** you with music

He refused to **entertain** our proposal.

winding

adj. characterized by twists, turns, or curves; not straight or direct; following a route that is not linear or straightforward

synonym: twisty, curvy, meandering

(1) **winding** hill road, (2) **winding** river

We went for a walk along the **winding** path that led to a hidden waterfall.

marble

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

synonym: stone, rock, sphere

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

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

monument

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

synonym: memorial, marker, statue

(1) humanity's **monument**, (2) **monument** honoring
The stone **monument** was built to commemorate the war heroes.

revolutionary

adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

synonym: radical, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **revolutionary** change, (2) enforce **revolutionary** justice
The **revolutionary** leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

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.

outhouse

n. a small structure located outside of a main building that contains a toilet or latrine

synonym : latrine, privy, lavatory

(1) wooden **outhouse**, (2) disused **outhouse**

The **outhouse** behind the cabin was a rustic alternative to indoor plumbing.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

indignity

n. an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment

synonym : humiliation, insult, offense

(1) **indignity** of poverty, (2) suffer an **indignity**

Being demoted at work was a great **indignity** to him.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym : fitting, suitable, proper

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

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

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym : vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

tense

adj. unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid

synonym : tight, stretched, strained

(1) **tense** atmosphere, (2) have a **tense** face

This story makes me **tense**.

relax

v. to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

synonym : soften, comfort, soothe

(1) **relax** a series of muscles, (2) **relax** at home

The rules were **relaxed** after the new executive arrived.

trek

n. a long and difficult journey, typically on foot

synonym : journey, expedition, hike

(1) horseback **trek**, (2) **trek** expedition

He was preparing for a long **trek** through the mountains.

extraordinary

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

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

quotation

n. a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

synonym : excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**

He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

grateful

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

synonym : thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression

She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

irrational

adj. not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

synonym : illogical, ludicrous, senseless

(1) an **irrational** request, (2) **irrational** numbers

They continued to endure **irrational** treatment by the dictatorship.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
synonym: inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

mysterious

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

synonym: enigmatic, cryptic, puzzling

(1) **mysterious** object, (2) **mysterious** stranger

The **mysterious** disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

dodge

v. to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep

synonym: evade, sidestep, avoid

(1) **dodge** a blow, (2) **dodge** a question

She had to **dodge** the oncoming traffic to cross the busy street safely.

excruciating

adj. extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering

synonym: agonizing, unbearable, torturous

(1) **excruciating** ordeal, (2) **excruciating** embarrassment

The **excruciating** pain in his ankle made it difficult to walk.

recount

v. to describe what happened or to narrate a story

synonym: narrate, tell, report

(1) **recount** the adventure, (2) **recount** a conversation with him

They **recount** events that have already occurred.

inn

n. a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging

synonym: tavern, hostel, lodge

(1) **inn's** lounge, (2) seaside **inn**

We stayed at a cozy **inn** during our road trip.

magic

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

synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

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

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

convinced

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

synonym: confident, positive, indoctrinated

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

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

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

session

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

synonym: conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**

Parliament is now in **session**.

blurt

v. to utter suddenly and impulsively, without prior thought or consideration; to let something slip out unintentionally

synonym: blab, spill, reveal

(1) **blurt** about the inside story, (2) **blurt** in frustration

I didn't mean to **blurt** out the answer, but it came out before I could stop.

drama

n. a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage

synonym : acting, play, theater

(1) secular **drama**, (2) upcoming crime **drama**

She had an audition for **drama** school.

fervent

adj. characterized by intense or passionate emotion or enthusiasm; showing great warmth or devotion

synonym : ardent, passionate, enthusiastic

(1) **fervent** supporter, (2) **fervent** belief

She had a **fervent** desire to pursue her passion and make a difference in the world.

confess

v. to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private

synonym : admit, acknowledge, own up

(1) **confess** sin, (2) **confess** truth

He **confessed** to his crime and turned himself into the police.

confession

n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

synonym : admission, avowal, acknowledgment

(1) a **confession** of guilt, (2) a **confession** of faith

The prisoner made a full **confession** and admitted to his crime.

sin

n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

synonym : misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a **sin**, (2) **sin** of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

relate

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

synonym : connect, link, associate

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

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

hometown

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

synonym : birthplace, home, native place

(1) **hometown** celebrity, (2) **hometown** memory

I always look forward to going back to my **hometown** during the holidays.

preparation

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

synonym : practice, trial, rehearsal

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

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

holy

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

synonym : sacred, religious, divine

(1) a **holy** man, (2) a **holy** shrine

They gathered to hear the **holy** teachings of the guru.

communion

n. the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

synonym : affinity, intimacy, camaraderie

(1) **communion** with God, (2) spiritual **communion** with nature

We use this tableware in a **communion** service.

protestant

adj. a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers

synonym : reformed, evangelical, nonconformist

(1) hard-line **Protestant**, (2) **protestant** theology

The **Protestant** church was the dominant religion in the area.

church

n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

synonym: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

Catholic

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

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.

threshold

n. the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation

synonym: anteroom, brink, verge

(1) the **threshold** between rooms, (2) high pain **threshold**

She's on the **threshold** of adulthood.

parish

n. a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes

synonym: district, community, congregation

(1) **parish** church, (2) civil **parish**

The **parish** council met monthly to discuss community issues and plan events.

folding

adj. capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation

synonym : foldable, collapsible, bendable

(1) **folding** knife, (2) **folding** table

The **folding** chairs were easy to set up and take down for the event.

sportsmanship

n. the ethical and honorable behavior and conduct demonstrated by individuals engaged in sports or competitions, characterized by fair play, respect for opponents, and adherence to the rules and spirit of the game

synonym : fairness, integrity, ethics

(1) **sportsmanship** award, (2) spirit of **sportsmanship**

Good **sportsmanship** is essential in fostering a positive and fair playing environment.

everlasting

adj. lasting forever or indefinitely; eternal or infinite in duration, also used to describe something unchanging, constant, or enduring

synonym : perpetual, eternal, enduring

(1) **everlasting** love, (2) **everlasting** memories

The writer's words left an **everlasting** impact on his readers.

indulgence

n. the state or act of allowing oneself or another person to enjoy the pleasure of something that is considered to be a pleasure or luxury

synonym : luxury, treat, pampering

(1) plenary **indulgence**, (2) selfish **indulgence**

He allowed himself a few small **indulgences** during his diet.

priest

n. a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

synonym : clergyman, minister, pastor

(1) **priest** in clerical garb, (2) faithful **priest**

He was ordained as a **priest** in the Catholic Church.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

ankle

n. the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg

synonym: mortise joint

(1) **ankle** injury, (2) pair of **ankle** boots

He accidentally sprained his **ankle** playing squash.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym: dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

fairly

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

synonym: moderately, reasonably, pretty

(1) **fairly** accurate, (2) have a **fairly** clear view

He deals **fairly** with his employees.

squarely

adv. directly and firmly; in a square shape

synonym: honestly, justly, straightforwardly

(1) look **squarely** at reality, (2) a **squarely** cut piece of paper

We must **squarely** address the problem.

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.

abandon

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

synonym : relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice

The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym : belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

fan

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

synonym : lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

presence

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

synonym : existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

wee

adj. very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time

synonym : tiny, small, diminutive

(1) **wee** child, (2) a **wee** bit

The toddler was excited to wear his new **wee-sized** shoes.

duke

n. a noble title given to the highest-ranking hereditary nobleman in certain countries; a male ruler of a particular region or territory; a leader or influential person in a specific field or profession

synonym: lord, nobleman, monarch

(1) the **Duke** of York, (2) **duke's** residence

Prince Philip held the title of **Duke** of Edinburgh for many decades.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

loyalty

n. the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something

synonym: faithfulness, devotion, allegiance

(1) **loyalty** program, (2) earn his **loyalty**

He has always shown great **loyalty** to his friends and family.

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

synonym: lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport

She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

fig

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

(1) **fig** marigold, (2) **fig** tree

He ate the dried **figs** he had preserved.

struggle

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

synonym: toil, strive, compete

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

job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

pledge

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

synonym: promise, assure, guarantee

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

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

retell

v. to tell someone about something again or differently

synonym: reiterate, repeat, restate

(1) **retell** a story, (2) **retell** an old tale

He **retells** the truth to plead not guilty.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. sardonic hu__r | <i>n.</i> the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body |
| 2. re__x a series of muscles | <i>v.</i> to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer |
| 3. an____al example | <i>adj.</i> based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence |
| 4. throughout the co___y | <i>n.</i> an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division |
| 5. the wh____r of the leaves | <i>v.</i> to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you |
| 6. self-ema_____ion | <i>n.</i> the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence |
| 7. a com_____nt to an alliance | <i>n.</i> a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way |
| 8. a person of in_____ty | <i>n.</i> the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided |
| 9. ha_____d house | <i>adj.</i> inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions |

ANSWERS: 1. humor, 2. relax, 3. anecdotal, 4. county, 5. whisper, 6. emancipation, 7. commitment, 8. integrity, 9. haunted

10. he is ob___sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
11. s_n of omission *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
12. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
13. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
14. the pre_____on of meals *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
15. su_____e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
16. an ar___y of troops *n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive
17. outdoor rec_____on *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
18. sig_____nce level *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
19. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
20. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
21. kitchen sc_____rs *v.* (noun, usually "scissors") a cutting instrument consisting of a pair of metal blades; to cut or clip something with scissors; to move or position two things that cross each other like a pair of scissors

ANSWERS: 10. obsess, 11. sin, 12. wander, 13. wealth, 14. preparation, 15. suicide, 16. array, 17. recreation, 18. significance, 19. storytelling, 20. incredible, 21. scissor

22. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
23. member of the ca_____t *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister
24. an in_____le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
25. municipal cou_____se *n.* a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located
26. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
27. ex_____al factors *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
28. in_____ty of data *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
29. cel_____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
30. his research area of
con_____ion *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
31. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
32. br__d about the defeat *v.* to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth

ANSWERS: 22. relation, 23. cabinet, 24. invisible, 25. courthouse, 26. nation, 27. external, 28. integrity, 29. celebrated, 30. concentration, 31. horrible, 32. brood

33. ch_____od development *n.* the state or time of being a child
34. me__y-making *adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood
35. a cold re_____on *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
36. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
37. ho_____wn celebrity *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
38. pl___e military assistance *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
39. th__e park *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
40. peace co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
41. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
42. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
43. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
44. me__y laughter *adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

ANSWERS: 33. childhood, 34. merry, 35. reception, 36. celebrity, 37. hometown, 38. pledge, 39. theme, 40. congress, 41. recognize, 42. extraordinary, 43. excite, 44. merry

45. f_r branch *n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
46. a sq_____ly cut piece of paper *adv.* directly and firmly; in a square shape
47. lab_____ly climb *adv.* with great effort, difficulty, or exertion; in a manner that requires a lot of physical or mental work
48. colonial leg_____re *n.* a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state
49. a remarkable ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
50. professional r[]____[] *n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
51. modern po____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
52. file a gr_____ce *n.* a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment
53. review of the lit_____re *n.* written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value
54. eve_____ng memories *adj.* lasting forever or indefinitely; eternal or infinite in duration, also used to describe something unchanging, constant, or enduring

ANSWERS: 45. fir, 46. squarely, 47. laboriously, 48. legislature, 49. achievement, 50. résumé, 51. poetry, 52. grievance, 53. literature, 54. everlasting

55. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
56. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
57. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
58. book of po____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
59. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
60. di_____rd the rules *v.* to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something
61. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
62. hi_____us mistake *adj.* extremely funny
63. a w_e bit *adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
64. disused ou_____se *n.* a small structure located outside of a main building that contains a toilet or latrine
65. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 55. emotional, 56. numb, 57. engagement, 58. poetry, 59. conversation, 60. disregard, 61. cult, 62. hilarious, 63. wee, 64. outhouse, 65. faith

66. unp_____ted business opportunity
adj. never having been seen, done, or known before
67. my in_____te affairs
adj. having a very close friendship, personal
68. well-st_____d decision
adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
69. a speech co_____t
n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
70. mo__l burden
adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
71. ack_____ged beauty
adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid
72. look sq_____ly at reality
adv. directly and firmly; in a square shape
73. w_e child
adj. very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
74. lo_____y program
n. the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
75. carbon fi__r
n. thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
76. f_g tree
n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
77. modern fr_____e
n. a warship that is smaller and more maneuverable than a battleship or cruiser, often used for patrolling and escort duties; a fast-sailing ship used for exploration or trade

ANSWERS: 66. unprecedented, 67. intimate, 68. studied, 69. contest, 70. moral, 71. acknowledged, 72. squarely, 73. wee, 74. loyalty, 75. fiber, 76. fig, 77. frigate

78. de____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
79. mo____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
80. junior fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
81. an indomitable sp____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
82. personal na____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
83. fellow se____t *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
84. beginning of the industrial
rev____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
85. so____y responsible *adv.* only; exclusively; entirely; without any others being involved or present

ANSWERS: 78. develop, 79. movement, 80. fellow, 81. spirit, 82. narrative, 83. servant, 84. revolution, 85. solely

86. high pain th_____ld *n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
87. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
88. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
89. con_____nt location *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
90. the big att_____on of the event *n.* a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity
91. un____y behavior *adj.* difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly
92. ed_____e public *v.* to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
93. academic se_____r *n.* a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject
94. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

ANSWERS: 86. threshold, 87. develop, 88. discovery, 89. convenient, 90. attraction, 91. unruly, 92. educate, 93. seminar, 94. permanent

95. do__e a question *v.* to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep
96. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
97. public re__m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
98. im____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
99. rel_____on music *n.* a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure
100. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
101. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
102. pe__y crime *adj.* of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters
103. vitreous hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
104. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

ANSWERS: 95. dodge, 96. faith, 97. realm, 98. immense, 99. relaxation, 100. discuss, 101. assume, 102. petty, 103. humor, 104. depression

105. naval fr____e *n.* a warship that is smaller and more maneuverable than a battleship or cruiser, often used for patrolling and escort duties; a fast-sailing ship used for exploration or trade
106. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
107. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
108. po_____ed by a fox *adj.* controlled or influenced by a strong emotion or belief
109. selfish ind_____ce *n.* the state or act of allowing oneself or another person to enjoy the pleasure of something that is considered to be a pleasure or luxury
110. the evidence of the pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
111. le_____e activity *n.* the freedom provided by the absence of pressures or responsibilities
112. let me en_____in you with music *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
113. the market is de_____ed *adj.* sad and without any hope
114. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

ANSWERS: 105. frigate, 106. convinced, 107. magic, 108. possessed, 109. indulgence, 110. presence, 111. leisure, 112. entertain, 113. depressed, 114. victory

115. mo_____nt honoring *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
116. an electric ra__r *n.* a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair
117. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
118. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
119. co_____on with God *n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist
120. student ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
121. pl___e my fidelity *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
122. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
123. tab_____th size *n.* a cloth used to cover a table, especially for protection or decoration
124. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
125. an act of ho_____ty *n.* aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
126. pe_____se apartment *n.* a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building

ANSWERS: 115. monument, 116. razor, 117. sight, 118. celebrated, 119. communion, 120. achievement, 121. pledge, 122. immense, 123. tablecloth, 124. bet, 125. hostility, 126. penthouse

127. the root problem of her dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
128. a close co_____t *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
129. di_____e settlement *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
130. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
131. ca_____n of industry *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
132. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
133. the preliminary ra__y *v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
134. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
135. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 127. depression, 128. contest, 129. dispute, 130. incredible, 131. captain, 132. privilege, 133. rally, 134. privilege, 135. hop

136. the ul____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
137. pe____ar way *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
138. spiritual co_____on with nature *n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist
139. 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
140. international st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
141. spo_____hip award *n.* the ethical and honorable behavior and conduct demonstrated by individuals engaged in sports or competitions, characterized by fair play, respect for opponents, and adherence to the rules and spirit of the game
142. in the mi__t of a scandal *n.* the middle part of people or things
143. for the sake of po_____ty *n.* all future generations of people; the descendants or offspring of a person or a specific group
144. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
145. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 136. ultimate, 137. peculiar, 138. communion, 139. strike, 140. statesman, 141. sportsmanship, 142. midst, 143. posterity, 144. hero, 145. heroic

146. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
147. ca____ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
148. a do____rd slope *adj.* moving towards a lower position or a lower level
149. lo____ar for success *n.* a guiding star, especially the North Star (Polaris), used to determine direction; a person or thing that serves as a reliable guide or principle
150. sp___t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
151. earn his lo____y *n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
152. st____d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
153. rec____on of the homeland *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
154. a h__y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

ANSWERS: 146. tale, 147. Catholic, 148. downward, 149. lodestar, 150. spirit, 151. loyalty, 152. studied, 153. recreation, 154. holy

155. a prior eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
156. but mo_____er, they work well together *adv.* indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before
157. like a person po_____ed *adj.* controlled or influenced by a strong emotion or belief
158. a fatal in____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
159. forgive a s_n *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
160. 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
161. deep so____w *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
162. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
163. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
164. acc_____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
165. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

ANSWERS: 155. engagement, 156. moreover, 157. possessed, 158. injury, 159. sin, 160. bible, 161. sorrow, 162. suffer, 163. unfortunately, 164. accomplish, 165. convinced

166. achieve the hi____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
167. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
168. 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
169. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
170. a court p__t *n.* a person who writes poetry
171. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
172. publicly ack_____ged truth *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
173. so___w for sin *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
174. a h__y man *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
175. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
176. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
177. legal ru___g *n.* a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation

ANSWERS: 166. historic, 167. emotional, 168. circuit, 169. importance, 170. poet, 171. numb, 172. acknowledged, 173. sorrow, 174. holy, 175. tale, 176. string, 177. ruling

178. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
179. ask for con_____on money *n.* the comfort received by a person after misfortune or disappointment
180. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
181. leap into f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
182. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
183. vi___r country *n.* one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.
184. tr_____nd boundaries *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
185. pass on to po_____ty *n.* all future generations of people; the descendants or offspring of a person or a specific group
186. s__n fish *v.* to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly
187. the th_____ld between rooms *n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
188. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

ANSWERS: 178. excite, 179. consolation, 180. appropriate, 181. fame, 182. extraordinary, 183. victor, 184. transcend, 185. posterity, 186. stun, 187. threshold, 188. instance

189. a fa_____us price *adj.* extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
190. ill_____te a story *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
191. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
192. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
193. a pre_____on program *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
194. unparallel_____led views *adj.* without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other
195. the th____l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
196. pr_____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
197. a gr_____ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
198. the struggle for ex_____ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
199. environmental pe__l *n.* serious and great danger or risk
200. pre_____cy duties *n.* the office or term of the President of a country or organization

ANSWERS: 189. fabulous, 190. illustrate, 191. discuss, 192. absolutely, 193. preparation, 194. unparalleled, 195. thrill, 196. precious, 197. grateful, 198. existence, 199. peril, 200. presidency

201. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
202. mystical sig_____nce *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
203. since ch_____od *n.* the state or time of being a child
204. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
205. popular lit_____re *n.* written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value
206. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
207. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
208. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
209. ra__r blade *n.* a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair
210. li_____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
211. pr_____e a reaction *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
212. bootleg wh_____y *n.* a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers

ANSWERS: 201. occupy, 202. significance, 203. childhood, 204. chief, 205. literature, 206. struggle, 207. nation, 208. appropriate, 209. razor, 210. lifetime, 211. provoke, 212. whiskey

213. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
214. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
215. a woman st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
216. a sp_____us room *adj.* (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space
217. in_____ty of poverty *n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment
218. price of pr_____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
219. un_____y resemblance *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
220. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
221. su____t an application *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
222. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
223. an irr_____al request *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

ANSWERS: 213. discovery, 214. fin, 215. statesman, 216. spacious, 217. indignity, 218. precious, 219. uncanny, 220. wealth, 221. submit, 222. responsible, 223. irrational

224. bl__t in frustration *v.* to utter suddenly and impulsively, without prior thought or consideration; to let something slip out unintentionally
225. beautiful su____e *n.* the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky
226. high-technology su____e industries *n.* the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky
227. hi____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
228. asset on the company's ba____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
229. he____te to ask for help *v.* to pause decision before saying or doing something
230. acc____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
231. oc____y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
232. checkered tab____th *n.* a cloth used to cover a table, especially for protection or decoration
233. have a te__e face *adj.* unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid
234. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
235. sw__p a room with a glance *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

ANSWERS: 224. blurt, 225. sunrise, 226. sunrise, 227. historic, 228. balance, 229. hesitate, 230. accomplish, 231. occupy, 232. tablecloth, 233. tense, 234. sink, 235. sweep

236. have dev_____ng effects *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
237. beyond the re__m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
238. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
239. di_____rd for human rights *v.* to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something
240. so___y focused *adv.* only; exclusively; entirely; without any others being involved or present
241. re_____ic democracy *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
242. th_____r cloud *n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
243. a fi___e animal *adj.* severe and violent in a way that is frightening
244. ab_____n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
245. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
246. a letter of con_____on *n.* the comfort received by a person after misfortune or disappointment

ANSWERS: 236. devastating, 237. realm, 238. educated, 239. disregard, 240. solely, 241. republic, 242. thunder, 243. fierce, 244. abandon, 245. struggle, 246. consolation

247. co___y seat *n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
248. re_____sh a reserve fund *v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
249. an om_____s silence *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
250. det_____te at a slow pace *v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate
251. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
252. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
253. de___t body odor *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
254. ho_____wn memory *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
255. f_g marigold *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
256. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
257. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
258. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
259. publish a me___r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

ANSWERS: 247. county, 248. replenish, 249. ominous, 250. deteriorate, 251. psychology, 252. aid, 253. defeat, 254. hometown, 255. fig, 256. honor, 257. embarrass, 258. refuse, 259. memoir

260. decorative si_____ht *n.* a window or light source located at the side of a room or building, usually providing additional illumination or serving as a decorative element
261. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
262. a person of le_____e *n.* the freedom provided by the absence of pressures or responsibilities
263. te___r attack *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
264. sw___p up dead leaves *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
265. sc_____le through her purse *v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
266. a two-dimensional ar___y *n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive
267. a br___d of chickens *v.* to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth
268. Se___e Finance Committee *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament

ANSWERS: 260. sidelight, 261. emerge, 262. leisure, 263. terror, 264. sweep, 265. scrabble, 266. array, 267. brood, 268. Senate

269. in_____te relationship	<i>adj.</i> having a very close friendship, personal
270. the at_____t to rescue the hostages	<i>n.</i> an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
271. se_____ty prayer	<i>n.</i> the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness
272. con_____nt way	<i>adj.</i> useful, helpful, or quick to do
273. sa____r hat	<i>n.</i> a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
274. p__y for rain	<i>v.</i> to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
275. ac_____ny the book	<i>v.</i> to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
276. civil pa____h	<i>n.</i> a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes
277. ab_____n a friend	<i>v.</i> to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
278. ac_____e milestones	<i>v.</i> to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 269. intimate, 270. attempt, 271. serenity, 272. convenient, 273. sailor, 274. pray, 275. accompany, 276. parish, 277. abandon, 278. achieve

279. the biggest tree in ex_____ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
280. a film f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
281. rev_____ary change *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
282. business se_____r *n.* a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject
283. uns_____le trust *adj.* not able to be shaken or moved; firm, steadfast, and determined; describing a person who is strong, resolute, and unwavering
284. visual me_____or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
285. pe_____se terrace *n.* a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building
286. a p__t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
287. suffer an in_____ty *n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment

ANSWERS: 279. existence, 280. fan, 281. revolutionary, 282. seminar, 283. unshakeable, 284. metaphor, 285. penthouse, 286. poet, 287. indignity

288. a circular mo____nt
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
289. big, b__d piano sounds
adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
290. ap____t members
v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
291. p__y devoutly
v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
292. psy____gy experiment
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
293. natural chi____th
n. the act or process of giving birth to a baby
294. sl__e a card across the table
v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
295. sp__e parts
adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
296. pu___e a goal
v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
297. a con____on of guilt
n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

ANSWERS: 288. movement, 289. bold, 290. appoint, 291. pray, 292. psychology, 293. childbirth, 294. slide, 295. spare, 296. pursue, 297. confession

298. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
299. co_____s truth *v.* to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private
300. exc_____ing embarrassment *adj.* extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering
301. upcoming crime dr__a *n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
302. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
303. f_r forest *n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
304. re_____t the adventure *v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story
305. pre_____cy term *n.* the office or term of the President of a country or organization
306. 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.
307. sub_____te position *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

ANSWERS: 298. relation, 299. confess, 300. excruciating, 301. drama, 302. strike, 303. fir, 304. recount, 305. presidency, 306. president, 307. subordinate

308. his majestic pr____ce
n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
309. double qu_____on marks
n. a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
310. have a fa___y clear view
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
311. supreme court ru___g
n. a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation
312. te__e atmosphere
adj. unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid
313. abs_____ly against
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
314. el__t the school board
v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
315. tense piano st___gs
n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
316. faithful pr___t
n. a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith
317. rel_____on techniques
n. a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure

ANSWERS: 308. presence, 309. quotation, 310. fairly, 311. ruling, 312. tense, 313. absolutely, 314. elect, 315. string, 316. priest, 317. relaxation

318. fe_____t supporter *adj.* characterized by intense or passionate emotion or enthusiasm; showing great warmth or devotion
319. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
320. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
321. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
322. en_____ss the enemy *v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
323. un____y beast *adj.* difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly
324. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
325. cloud his rep_____on *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
326. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
327. assisted chi_____th *n.* the act or process of giving birth to a baby
328. ma____e statues *n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games

ANSWERS: 318. fervent, 319. fin, 320. ultimate, 321. embarrass, 322. encompass, 323. unruly, 324. balance, 325. reputation, 326. religion, 327. childbirth, 328. marble

329. pe__y cash *adj.* of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters
330. spirit of spo_____hip *n.* the ethical and honorable behavior and conduct demonstrated by individuals engaged in sports or competitions, characterized by fair play, respect for opponents, and adherence to the rules and spirit of the game
331. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
332. ded_____on ceremony *n.* a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important
333. s_g with fatigue *v.* to droop or hang down, especially due to a lack of support or the weight of something
334. hard-line Pro_____nt *adj.* a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers
335. sl___t increase *adj.* very small in degree or amount
336. popular tourist att_____on *n.* a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity

ANSWERS: 329. petty, 330. sportsmanship, 331. achieve, 332. dedication, 333. sag, 334. protestant, 335. slight, 336. attraction

337. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
338. study lab _____ly *adv.* with great effort, difficulty, or exertion; in a manner that requires a lot of physical or mental work
339. in____l medication into my eye *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
340. a political rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
341. agree to su____t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
342. his undying f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
343. eve_____ng love *adj.* lasting forever or indefinitely; eternal or infinite in duration, also used to describe something unchanging, constant, or enduring
344. ob____s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
345. in____l confidence *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
346. at the w__m of circumstance *n.* a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained
347. pr____t in clerical garb *n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

ANSWERS: 337. passe, 338. laboriously, 339. instill, 340. revolution, 341. submit, 342. fame, 343. everlasting, 344. obsess, 345. instill, 346. whim, 347. priest

348. artist's si_____re *n.* a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone
349. s__n an audience *v.* to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly
350. political fig_____ad *n.* a person who holds a nominal or titular position of leadership or authority but who has no real power or influence; a symbolic representation, often in the form of a carved figure or a painting, that is mounted on the bow of a ship
351. cou_____de lifestyle *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
352. se_____t of God *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
353. ap_____t the day *v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
354. wi_____g hill road *adj.* characterized by twists, turns, or curves; not straight or direct; following a route that is not linear or straightforward

ANSWERS: 348. signature, 349. stun, 350. figurehead, 351. countryside, 352. servant, 353. appoint, 354. winding

355. a passage from the Bi__e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
356. no__e gas *adj.* having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire
357. con_____on for murder *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
358. pro_____ion of innocence *n.* an official announcement or statement
359. humanity's mo_____nt *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
360. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
361. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
362. tr_____nd limits *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
363. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
364. horseback t__k *n.* a long and difficult journey, typically on foot
365. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

ANSWERS: 355. bible, 356. noble, 357. conviction, 358. proclamation, 359. monument, 360. judge, 361. sight, 362. transcend, 363. moral, 364. trek, 365. vulnerable

366. sc____le words
- v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
367. c__t's practices
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
368. the morning se____n
- n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
369. a private ind____al
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
370. secular dr__a
- n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
371. the pe__l of the sea
- n.* serious and great danger or risk
372. as___e an important role
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
373. le___e championship
- n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

ANSWERS: 366. scrabble, 367. cult, 368. session, 369. individual, 370. drama, 371. peril, 372. assume, 373. league

374. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
375. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
376. no____n of success *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
377. ed_____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
378. exc_____ing ordeal *adj.* extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering
379. a baseball le____e *n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters
380. we are non_____ss confident *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
381. 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
382. nice fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
383. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

ANSWERS: 374. invisible, 375. victory, 376. notion, 377. educated, 378. excruciating, 379. league, 380. nonetheless, 381. decide, 382. fellow, 383. horrible

384. te___r group *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
385. central th__e *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
386. the D__e of York *n.* a noble title given to the highest-ranking hereditary nobleman in certain countries; a male ruler of a particular region or territory; a leader or influential person in a specific field or profession
387. an__e injury *n.* the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg
388. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
389. a minor gr_____ce *n.* a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment
390. the ca_____t above the sink *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister
391. co_____s sin *v.* to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private
392. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

ANSWERS: 384. terror, 385. theme, 386. duke, 387. ankle, 388. fuel, 389. grievance, 390. cabinet, 391. confess, 392. graduate

393. ps____c intuition *adj.* relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes
394. wh____y barrel *n.* a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers
395. for in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
396. sp____us country *adj.* (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space
397. bl__t about the inside story *v.* to utter suddenly and impulsively, without prior thought or consideration; to let something slip out unintentionally
398. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
399. rep_____on risk *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
400. es_____te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
401. ri__l bidder *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
402. vague no____n *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

ANSWERS: 393. psychic, 394. whiskey, 395. instance, 396. spacious, 397. blurt, 398. constantly, 399. reputation, 400. escalate, 401. rival, 402. notion

403. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
404. plenary ind_____ce *n.* the state or act of allowing oneself or another person to enjoy the pleasure of something that is considered to be a pleasure or luxury
405. mys_____us stranger *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
406. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
407. answer in a wh_____r *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
408. pair of an___e boots *n.* the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg
409. re___l an old tale *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
410. ex_____al commerce *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
411. pr_____e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
412. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
413. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 403. church, 404. indulgence, 405. mysterious, 406. unfortunately, 407. whisper, 408. ankle, 409. retell, 410. external, 411. provoke, 412. recognize, 413. encounter

414. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
415. re_____sh my spirit *v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
416. sp__e cost *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
417. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
418. re___l a story *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
419. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
420. impending ret_____nt *n.* the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
421. bl__k future *adj.* unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope
422. ou_____e our child *v.* to live longer than another person
423. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
424. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 414. importance, 415. replenish, 416. spare, 417. magic, 418. retell, 419. colleague, 420. retirement, 421. bleak, 422. outlive, 423. trap, 424. encounter

425. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
426. pe_____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
427. wi_____g river *adj.* characterized by twists, turns, or curves; not straight or direct; following a route that is not linear or straightforward
428. w__m of youth *n.* a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained
429. con_____ion of armaments *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
430. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
431. Se___e hearing *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
432. take a qu_____on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
433. ret_____nt from politics *n.* the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
434. artificial ma___e *n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
435. fa___y accurate *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

ANSWERS: 425. suffer, 426. perceive, 427. winding, 428. whim, 429. concentration, 430. chief, 431. Senate, 432. quotation, 433. retirement, 434. marble, 435. fairly

436. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
437. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
438. maintain do_____rd compatibility *adj.* moving towards a lower position or a lower level
439. sc_____r paper *v.* (noun, usually "scissors") a cutting instrument consisting of a pair of metal blades; to cut or clip something with scissors; to move or position two things that cross each other like a pair of scissors
440. political lo_____ar *n.* a guiding star, especially the North Star (Polaris), used to determine direction; a person or thing that serves as a reliable guide or principle
441. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
442. irr_____al numbers *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
443. ra__y in front of the embassy *v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

ANSWERS: 436. upset, 437. relate, 438. downward, 439. scissor, 440. lodestar, 441. decide, 442. irrational, 443. rally

444. co____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
445. ill_____te a key point *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
446. deafening th_____r of applause *n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
447. very f__d of *adj.* having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time
448. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
449. burn with je_____sy *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
450. commit su_____e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
451. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
452. offer so____e *n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
453. love him non_____ss *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
454. t__k expedition *n.* a long and difficult journey, typically on foot
455. synthetic fi__r *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

ANSWERS: 444. combine, 445. illustrate, 446. thunder, 447. fond, 448. colleague, 449. jealousy, 450. suicide, 451. permanent, 452. solace, 453. nonetheless, 454. trek, 455. fiber

456. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
457. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
458. ac_____ny a chicken dish *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
459. en_____in a guest *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
460. a prefectural leg_____re *n.* a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state
461. the Ca_____ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
462. the court se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
463. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
464. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
465. det_____te condition *v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate

ANSWERS: 456. ambition, 457. eventually, 458. accompany, 459. entertain, 460. legislature, 461. Catholic, 462. session, 463. attempt, 464. trap, 465. deteriorate

466. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
467. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
468. pe_____ar people *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
469. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
470. sp___e of influence *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
471. mys_____us object *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
472. history of ema_____ion *n.* the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence
473. seaside i_n *n.* a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
474. he_____te for a moment *v.* to pause decision before saying or doing something
475. je_____sy feeling towards another person *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire

ANSWERS: 466. eventually, 467. narrative, 468. peculiar, 469. hero, 470. sphere, 471. mysterious, 472. emancipation, 473. inn, 474. hesitate, 475. jealousy

476. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
477. pu___e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
478. boundless am_____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
479. a fa_____us monster *adj.* extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
480. 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
481. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
482. moral con_____on *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
483. fo_____g table *adj.* capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation
484. a he___c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 476. relate, 477. pursue, 478. ambition, 479. fabulous, 480. circuit, 481. refuse, 482. conviction, 483. folding, 484. heroic

485. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
486. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
487. prospects were bl__k *adj.* unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope
488. wa___r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
489. put a gr_____ul expression *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
490. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
491. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
492. a hi_____us anecdote *adj.* extremely funny
493. ou_____e its usefulness *v.* to live longer than another person
494. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
495. re__x at home *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
496. re_____t a conversation with him *v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story
497. an_____al evidence *adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

ANSWERS: 485. bet, 486. religion, 487. bleak, 488. wander, 489. grateful, 490. romantic, 491. passe, 492. hilarious, 493. outlive, 494. bold, 495. relax, 496. recount,

497. anecdotal

498. so___e in music *n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
499. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
500. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
501. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
502. a no__e family *adj.* having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire
503. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
504. the outright vi___r *n.* one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.
505. uns_____le determination *adj.* not able to be shaken or moved; firm, steadfast, and determined; describing a person who is strong, resolute, and unwavering
506. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
507. family me___r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

ANSWERS: 498. solace, 499. commitment, 500. thrill, 501. upset, 502. noble, 503. slide, 504. victor, 505. unshakeable, 506. constantly, 507. memoir

508. biomass f__l	<i>n.</i> a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
509. co_____e augmented reality	<i>v.</i> to join or merge to form a single thing or group
510. cou_____se security	<i>n.</i> a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located
511. ca_____te selection	<i>n.</i> a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
512. pe_____ve light	<i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
513. de_____ed feeling	<i>adj.</i> sad and without any hope
514. enforce rev_____ary justice	<i>adj.</i> relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
515. mo_____er, she decided to go	<i>adv.</i> indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before
516. li_____me ban from the sport	<i>n.</i> the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
517. sub_____te role	<i>adj.</i> of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
518. cattle ra__h	<i>n.</i> a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

ANSWERS: 508. fuel, 509. combine, 510. courthouse, 511. candidate, 512. perceive, 513. depressed, 514. revolutionary, 515. moreover, 516. lifetime, 517. subordinate, 518. ranch

519. ed_____e student	<i>v.</i> to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
520. om_____s sign	<i>adj.</i> giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
521. re_____on desk	<i>n.</i> the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
522. ba_____ic act	<i>adj.</i> characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society
523. courtroom sto_____ing	<i>n.</i> the act or art of narrating or writing stories
524. pr_____nt emeritus	<i>n.</i> the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
525. en_____ss a broad range	<i>v.</i> to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
526. a stone wall su_____nds the palace	<i>v.</i> to be all around something or somebody
527. fo_____g knife	<i>adj.</i> capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation
528. si_____ht window	<i>n.</i> a window or light source located at the side of a room or building, usually providing additional illumination or serving as a decorative element

ANSWERS: 519. educate, 520. ominous, 521. reception, 522. barbaric, 523. storytelling, 524. president, 525. encompass, 526. surround, 527. folding, 528. sidelight

529. business sp___e *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
530. s_g my jaw *v.* to droop or hang down, especially due to a lack of support or the weight of something
531. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
532. l__d of castle *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
533. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
534. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
535. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
536. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
537. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
538. an unp_____led achievement *adj.* without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other

ANSWERS: 529. sphere, 530. sag, 531. surround, 532. lord, 533. responsible, 534. judge, 535. fashion, 536. empathy, 537. individual, 538. unparalleled

539. without in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
540. wooden ou_____se *n.* a small structure located outside of a main building that contains a toilet or latrine
541. me_____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
542. feel a sl___t concern *adj.* very small in degree or amount
543. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
544. r□___□ template *n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
545. ba_____ic treatment *adj.* characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society
546. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
547. fi___e competition *adj.* severe and violent in a way that is frightening
548. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
549. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

ANSWERS: 539. injury, 540. outhouse, 541. metaphor, 542. slight, 543. emerge, 544. résumé, 545. barbaric, 546. strength, 547. fierce, 548. aid, 549. congress

550. unpre_____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
551. honor gra_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
552. a young l____d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
553. the re_____ic of art *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
554. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
555. engine cooling f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
556. fe_____t belief *adj.* characterized by intense or passionate emotion or enthusiasm; showing great warmth or devotion
557. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
558. cou_____de scenery *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

ANSWERS: 550. unprecedented, 551. graduate, 552. lord, 553. republic, 554. strength, 555. fan, 556. fervent, 557. devastating, 558. countryside

559. in the mi__t of the crowd *n.* the middle part of people or things
560. d__e's residence *n.* a noble title given to the highest-ranking hereditary nobleman in certain countries; a male ruler of a particular region or territory; a leader or influential person in a specific field or profession
561. small ch___h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
562. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
563. i_n's lounge *n.* a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
564. do__e a blow *v.* to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep
565. sur_____gly advanced culture *adv.* in a way that causes amazement or wonder
566. co_____t only in knowing facts *v.* to be composed or made up of
567. ha_____d by memories *adj.* inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions
568. f__d memories of the birthday *adj.* having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time

ANSWERS: 559. midst, 560. duke, 561. church, 562. vulnerable, 563. inn, 564. dodge, 565. surprisingly, 566. consist, 567. haunted, 568. fond

569. fall into se_____ty *n.* the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness
570. bankrupt cr_____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
571. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
572. in an un_____y manner *adj.* strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling
573. a legal di_____e over the title *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
574. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
575. pa___h church *n.* a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes
576. merge with a ri__l company *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
577. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
578. PhD ca_____te *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

ANSWERS: 569. serenity, 570. creditor, 571. elect, 572. uncanny, 573. dispute, 574. fashion, 575. parish, 576. rival, 577. sink, 578. candidate

579. the cr____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
580. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
581. navy sa____r *n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
582. si_____re dish *n.* a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone
583. fig_____ad company *n.* a person who holds a nominal or titular position of leadership or authority but who has no real power or influence; a symbolic representation, often in the form of a carved figure or a painting, that is mounted on the bow of a ship
584. ro____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
585. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
586. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
587. a con_____on of faith *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

ANSWERS: 579. creditor, 580. conversation, 581. sailor, 582. signature, 583. figurehead, 584. romantic, 585. ancient, 586. empathy, 587. confession

588. co_____t mainly of cells *v.* to be composed or made up of
589. have sur_____gly little effect *adv.* in a way that causes amazement or wonder
590. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
591. pro_____nt theology *adj.* a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers
592. ded_____on to public service *n.* a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important
593. ps_____c reading *adj.* relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes
594. an_____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
595. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
596. the ca_____n of an opposing team *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

ANSWERS: 588. consist, 589. surprisingly, 590. honor, 591. protestant, 592. dedication, 593. psychic, 594. ancient, 595. hop, 596. captain

597. bitter ho_____ty *n.* aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
598. dude ra__h *n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
599. de___t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
600. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
601. ce_____ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
602. nullify a pro_____ion *n.* an official announcement or statement

ANSWERS: 597. hostility, 598. ranch, 599. defeat, 600. escalate, 601. celebrity, 602. proclamation

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
2. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
3. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
4. Good _____ is better than a good face.
n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
5. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.
v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
6. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
7. She felt an instant _____ toward him.
n. a sense of like someone, particularly sexually; something that causes individuals to desire to go to a specific area or do a specific activity
8. The faithful _____ had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.
n. a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

ANSWERS: 1. sink, 2. religion, 3. perceived, 4. fame, 5. provoked, 6. metaphors, 7. attraction, 8. servant

9. The _____ council met monthly to discuss community issues and plan events.
n. a territorial division of a diocese, having its church and member of the clergy, typically for administrative and community purposes
10. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.
v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
11. My wife seems to be in ill _____.
n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
12. He shaved with a _____ to get a close shave.
n. a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair
13. He worked _____ on his research project, spending countless hours in the library.
adv. with great effort, difficulty, or exertion; in a manner that requires a lot of physical or mental work
14. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.
n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories
15. Sociologists are now interested in _____ world peace.
adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
16. He took me aside and _____ in my ear.
v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

ANSWERS: 9. parish, 10. defeat, 11. humor, 12. razor, 13. laboriously, 14. storytelling, 15. catholic, 16. whispered

17. She had a legitimate _____ with her employer over unequal pay.
n. a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment
18. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible
19. The mayor is only a _____ in this town, with the real power being held by the city council
n. a person who holds a nominal or titular position of leadership or authority but who has no real power or influence; a symbolic representation, often in the form of a carved figure or a painting, that is mounted on the bow of a ship
20. He wrote his _____ while awaiting trial.
n. a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
21. She claimed to have _____ powers and could predict the future.
adj. relating to or capable of extrasensory perception or paranormal phenomena; relating to the mind or mental processes
22. He interfered with his _____ in various ways during the campaign.
n. a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
23. The comedian's stand-up routine was _____.
adj. extremely funny
24. The _____ of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.
n. a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

ANSWERS: 17. grievance, 18. emerged, 19. figurehead, 20. memoirs, 21. psychic, 22. rivals, 23. hilarious, 24. sphere

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

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

26. She _____ all the warnings and proceeded with her dangerous plan.

v. to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something

27. The CEO's _____ employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

28. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

29. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

30. When a company discloses information to the market, an _____ auditor verifies them.

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

31. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

32. His _____ from his parents was a defining moment and gave him newfound freedom.

n. the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence

ANSWERS: 25. slide, 26. disregarded, 27. subordinate, 28. celebrity, 29. elected, 30. external, 31. instances, 32. emancipation

33. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.

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

34. I enjoy a glass of _____ on the rocks after a long day.

n. a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers

35. She intends to _____ a political career.

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

36. Basketball is their usual _____ after school.

n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

37. 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.

38. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

39. The prime minister decided to reshuffle his _____ to regain support.

n. a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

ANSWERS: 33. studied, 34. whiskey, 35. pursue, 36. recreation, 37. president, 38. discuss, 39. cabinet

40. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

41. The _____ pain in his ankle made it difficult to walk.

adj. extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering

42. The court _____ a guardian for the child.

v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place

43. He _____ to his crime and turned himself into the police.

v. to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private

44. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

45. Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in _____.

n. serious and great danger or risk

46. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

47. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

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

ANSWERS: 40. fellow, 41. excruciating, 42. appointed, 43. confessed, 44. sights, 45. peril, 46. judge, 47. wealth

48. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

49. The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the _____.

n. a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

50. My friend shared an _____ story about her experience in customer service.

adj. based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

51. The _____ clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.

adj. giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding

52. We had a _____ time at the Christmas party, singing carols and drinking eggnog.

adj. cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

53. She _____ her husband for many years.

v. to live longer than another person

54. 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

55. The castle was _____ several years later.

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 48. ultimate, 49. ranch, 50. anecdotal, 51. ominous, 52. merry, 53. outlived, 54. strike, 55. abandoned

56. The music _____ cultural barriers and reached audiences globally.
v. to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
57. The author's books are highly esteemed by literary critics and are considered treasures for _____.
n. all future generations of people; the descendants or offspring of a person or a specific group
58. She had an audition for _____ school.
n. a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
59. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
60. The small village in the _____ was perfect for a quiet getaway.
n. rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
61. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
62. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
63. The bomb blast spread _____ among the people.
n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm

ANSWERS: 56. transcended, 57. posterity, 58. drama, 59. absolutely, 60. countryside, 61. historic, 62. movement, 63. terror

64. We are very impressed with your strong _____ to quality.
n. a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important
65. His _____ expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.
adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid
66. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
67. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.
adj. having received a high standard of education
68. 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
69. Thank you for inviting such a _____ party tonight.
adj. extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
70. It was his first _____ love.
adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
71. He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the _____ of heaven or hell.
n. the state or fact of someone or something existing
72. She is searching for a _____ residence.
adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

ANSWERS: 64. dedication, 65. acknowledged, 66. relations, 67. educated, 68. passe, 69. fabulous, 70. romantic, 71. existence, 72. permanent

73. The verdict was announced at the _____ after a long trial.
n. a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located
74. 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
75. He was preparing for a long _____ through the mountains.
n. a long and difficult journey, typically on foot
76. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
77. This sprinter _____ the world with his speed.
v. to make a person or an animal unconscious or dizzy, especially by hitting them on the head; to make someone surprised or shocked greatly
78. Her unconcealed _____ made us unpleasant.
n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
79. Please let me know if you want to _____ me to my hometown.
v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
80. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.
adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes
81. After his mother died, he got _____.
adj. sad and without any hope

ANSWERS: 73. courthouse, 74. suffers, 75. trek, 76. excited, 77. stunned, 78. hostility, 79. accompany, 80. celebrated, 81. depressed

82. The _____ children in the classroom made teaching difficult for the teacher.
adj. difficult or impossible to manage or control; disobedient; disorderly
83. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
84. He quit his job on a _____ and moved to a new city.
n. a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained
85. Pakistan's _____ budget was still being reviewed.
n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
86. The _____ ordered the troops to fire.
n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
87. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
88. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
89. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
90. I _____ that you know it.
v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

ANSWERS: 82. unruly, 83. encounter, 84. whim, 85. aid, 86. captain, 87. relate, 88. discovery, 89. strength, 90. bet

91. The wedding _____ was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.
- n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
92. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
- v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
93. The _____ in the city center offers stunning views of the skyline.
- n.* a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building
94. She had to _____ the oncoming traffic to cross the busy street safely.
- v.* to move quickly and suddenly to avoid something; to evade or sidestep
95. The United States is a federal presidential constitutional _____.
- n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
96. The _____ behind the cabin was a rustic alternative to indoor plumbing.
- n.* a small structure located outside of a main building that contains a toilet or latrine
97. He remained serene in the _____ of turbulence.
- n.* the middle part of people or things
98. We use this tableware in a _____ service.
- n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

ANSWERS: 91. reception, 92. prayed, 93. penthouse, 94. dodge, 95. republic, 96. outhouse, 97. midst, 98. communion

99. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
100. Meditation and yoga are great ways to achieve _____ and peace of mind.
n. the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled; a feeling of tranquility or peacefulness
101. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
102. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
103. He was awfully _____ by the news.
adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
104. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.
adj. never having been seen, done, or known before
105. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
106. The _____ of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.
n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

ANSWERS: 99. emotional, 100. serenity, 101. narrative, 102. Depression, 103. upset, 104. Unprecedented, 105. responsible, 106. notion

107. The roaring _____ was so loud that it woke me from sleep.
- n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
108. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.
- n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
109. She had a _____ desire to pursue her passion and make a difference in the world.
- adj.* characterized by intense or passionate emotion or enthusiasm; showing great warmth or devotion
110. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
111. The rabbit _____ over the fence.
- v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
112. He allowed himself a few small _____ during his diet.
- n.* the state or act of allowing oneself or another person to enjoy the pleasure of something that is considered to be a pleasure or luxury
113. The _____ on the porch illuminated the entrance to the house.
- n.* a window or light source located at the side of a room or building, usually providing additional illumination or serving as a decorative element
114. I got up early to watch the _____ at the summit.
- n.* the time in the morning when the sun first appears in the sky

ANSWERS: 107. thunder, 108. church, 109. fervent, 110. assumes, 111. hopped, 112. indulgences, 113. sidelight, 114. sunrise

115. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

116. The navy deployed its high-speed _____ to protect its territorial waters.

n. a warship that is smaller and more maneuverable than a battleship or cruiser, often used for patrolling and escort duties; a fast-sailing ship used for exploration or trade

117. She was _____ by a fierce determination to succeed.

adj. controlled or influenced by a strong emotion or belief

118. The _____ leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

119. 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

120. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

121. We stayed at a cozy _____ during our road trip.

n. a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging

122. 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

ANSWERS: 115. intimate, 116. frigate, 117. possessed, 118. revolutionary, 119. wander, 120. cult, 121. inn, 122. bible

123. Prince Philip held the title of _____ of Edinburgh for many decades.
- n.* a noble title given to the highest-ranking hereditary nobleman in certain countries; a male ruler of a particular region or territory; a leader or influential person in a specific field or profession
124. The kids eagerly _____ to find the hidden Easter eggs in the garden.
- v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
125. The writer's words left an _____ impact on his readers.
- adj.* lasting forever or indefinitely; eternal or infinite in duration, also used to describe something unchanging, constant, or enduring
126. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.
- n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
127. The airport offers five _____ access routes.
- adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
128. Her candidacy for the _____ has been met with both support and criticism.
- n.* the office or term of the President of a country or organization
129. The _____ church was the dominant religion in the area.
- adj.* a member of a Western Christian church that is separate from the Roman Catholic Church and that is based on the teachings of Martin Luther and other Reformers

ANSWERS: 123. Duke, 124. scrabbled, 125. everlasting, 126. integrity, 127. convenient, 128. presidency, 129. Protestant

130. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

131. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

132. There was a vast _____ between the two tribes.

n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals

133. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

134. He deals _____ with his employees.

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

135. Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide _____.

n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

136. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

137. The _____ majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.

n. a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament

ANSWERS: 130. lifetime, 131. incredible, 132. contest, 133. conversation, 134. fairly, 135. sins, 136. achieve, 137. Senate

138. The optimal solution that would _____ all these elements has yet to be proposed.
- v.* to surround or cover something completely; to include a large number of or different types of things entirely
139. 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
140. The patient's health _____ rapidly after being diagnosed with the disease.
- v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate
141. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
142. The experienced _____ calmly steered the ship through the rough waters.
- n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
143. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
- adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
144. We went for a walk along the _____ path that led to a hidden waterfall.
- adj.* characterized by twists, turns, or curves; not straight or direct; following a route that is not linear or straightforward
145. The prisoner made a full _____ and admitted to his crime.
- n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

ANSWERS: 138. encompass, 139. circuit, 140. deteriorated, 141. extraordinary, 142. sailor, 143. unfortunately, 144. winding, 145. confession

146. We made _____ modifications to reflect the views of both sides.

adj. very small in degree or amount

147. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

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

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

149. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

150. He was recruited to play in the professional _____.

n. an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

151. The lawyer confirmed that the _____ on the contract was genuine.

n. a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone

152. Parliament is now in _____.

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

153. The toddler was excited to wear his new _____ shoes.

adj. very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time

154. He _____ the truth to plead not guilty.

v. to tell someone about something again or differently

ANSWERS: 146. slight, 147. embarrass, 148. preparation, 149. realm, 150. league, 151. signature, 152. session, 153. wee-sized, 154. retells

155. The old mattress _____ in the middle, making it uncomfortable to sleep on.
- v.* to droop or hang down, especially due to a lack of support or the weight of something
156. She's on the _____ of adulthood.
- n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
157. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.
- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
158. The _____ arguments between coworkers were causing a toxic work environment.
- adj.* of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters
159. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
160. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
- adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
161. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
162. They _____ events that have already occurred.
- v.* to describe what happened or to narrate a story

ANSWERS: 155. sagged, 156. threshold, 157. thrill, 158. petty, 159. Empathy, 160. chief, 161. struggle, 162. recount

163. My initial reaction was to _____.

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

164. The _____ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

165. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

166. He was ordained as a _____ in the Catholic Church.

n. a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

167. The _____ chairs were easy to set up and take down for the event.

adj. capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation

168. This statue honors a distinguished _____.

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs

169. The _____ thunders echoed across the plain.

adj. severe and violent in a way that is frightening

170. I'm a big ____ of French food.

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

171. Please do not _____ to call us.

v. to pause decision before saying or doing something

ANSWERS: 163. refuse, 164. heroic, 165. appropriate, 166. priest, 167. folding, 168. statesman, 169. fierce, 170. fan, 171. hesitate

172. Greed and _____ composed his personality.

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

173. The _____ practice of gladiator fighting was popular in ancient Rome.

adj. characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society

174. His _____ of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire

175. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

176. The feudal _____ had ruled the land for many years.

n. a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

177. The enemy fell right into the _____.

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

178. The old mansion was known to be _____ with strange noises and eerie sightings reported by visitors.

adj. inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions

179. Several American technology companies have achieved _____ success in terms of customer numbers.

adj. without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other

ANSWERS: 172. ambition, 173. barbaric, 174. jealousy, 175. bold, 176. lord, 177. trap, 178. haunted, 179. unparalleled

180. He is a _____ man

adj. having or showing excellent personal qualities or high moral principles that people admire

181. The judge's _____ was in favor of the defendant.

n. a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation

182. You need to update your _____ before submitting it for the job application.

n. a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements

183. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.

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

184. This exam requires excellent _____ to pass.

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

185. He was present at the _____ of his children.

n. the act or process of giving birth to a baby

186. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

187. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

ANSWERS: 180. noble-minded, 181. ruling, 182. résumé, 183. pledge, 184. concentration, 185. childbirth, 186. recognize, 187. eventually

188. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

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

189. She has a good _____ for being one of the best chefs in the city.

- n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

190. The _____ of the race was the favorite to win.

- n.* one who wins a game, competition, election, war, etc.

191. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.

- adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage

192. The company is environmentally conscious, and _____ it uses sustainable materials in its products.

- adv.* indicating that what follows is an additional or supplementary point; furthermore; in addition to what has been said before

193. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.

- adv.* all the time

194. Good _____ is essential in fostering a positive and fair playing environment.

- n.* the ethical and honorable behavior and conduct demonstrated by individuals engaged in sports or competitions, characterized by fair play, respect for opponents, and adherence to the rules and spirit of the game

195. He accidentally sprained his _____ playing squash.

- n.* the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg

ANSWERS: 188. spirit, 189. reputation, 190. victor, 191. devastating, 192. moreover, 193. constantly, 194. sportsmanship, 195. ankle

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

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

197. The stock market has been in a _____ trend for the past month.

adj. moving towards a lower position or a lower level

198. Yoga is a great way to promote _____ and reduce stress.

n. a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure

199. Please _____ my glass with some more wine.

v. to fill something that had previously been emptied

200. This examination _____ of five problems to solve.

v. to be composed or made up of

201. The king made a _____ declaring war on the neighboring country.

n. an official announcement or statement

202. I need to _____ my hair to even out the ends.

v. (noun, usually "scissors") a cutting instrument consisting of a pair of metal blades; to cut or clip something with scissors; to move or position two things that cross each other like a pair of scissors

203. The juice has a _____ taste.

adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way

204. This _____ has never been formally accepted.

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

ANSWERS: 196. graduate, 197. downward, 198. relaxation, 199. replenish, 200. consists, 201. proclamation, 202. scissor, 203. peculiar, 204. achievement

205. His business _____ took him to the United States.

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

206. He kept his robust _____ in his company.

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

207. The _____ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

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

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

209. She was _____ for the help he provided.

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

210. The _____ of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

n. a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

211. 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

212. The school's mission is to _____ young children and prepare them for the future.

v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.

ANSWERS: 205. commitments, 206. faith, 207. candidate's, 208. develop, 209. grateful, 210. theme, 211. decide, 212. educate

213. This story makes me _____.

adj. unable to relax because of being nervous or worried; stretched tight or rigid

214. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of _____ varies greatly.

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

215. The exam was _____ tricky for everyone.

adv. in a way that causes amazement or wonder

216. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

217. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

218. The company's financial records _____ how successful it has been.

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

219. I always look forward to going back to my _____ during the holidays.

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

220. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

ANSWERS: 213. tense, 214. poetry, 215. surprisingly, 216. suicide, 217. escalated, 218. illustrate, 219. hometown, 220. Congress

221. She is a talented _____ who has been recognized for her work.

n. a person who writes poetry

222. They gathered to hear the _____ teachings of the guru.

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

223. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

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

224. The people elect _____ members to represent their interests and make decisions on their behalf.

n. a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state

225. His _____ confidence inspired those around him to take bold risks.

adj. not able to be shaken or moved; firm, steadfast, and determined; describing a person who is strong, resolute, and unwavering

226. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

227. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

adj. extremely large or great

228. She spoke with _____ about the importance of education.

n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

ANSWERS: 221. poet, 222. holy, 223. combine, 224. legislature, 225. unshakeable, 226. injury, 227. immense, 228. conviction

229. I made plans to spend my _____ time beneficially.

adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

230. The third _____ was far more successful.

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

231. The grieving widow found _____ in reading her late husband's letters.

n. comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering

232. The _____ of his discovery cannot be overstated.

n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

233. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

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

234. The beautiful _____ added a touch of elegance to the dinner party.

n. a cloth used to cover a table, especially for protection or decoration

235. The _____ disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

236. My left arm became _____.

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

ANSWERS: 229. spare, 230. attempt, 231. solace, 232. significance, 233. creditor, 234. tablecloth, 235. mysterious, 236. numb

237. The terrible result _____ over her all day long.

- v.* to think much and deeply about something that makes one annoyed, anxious, or angry; (noun) a group of young birds or other animals all produced at one hatching or birth

238. The politician tried to _____ the embarrassing incident under the rug.

- v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

239. We are optimistic about our final _____.

- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

240. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.

- adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

241. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.

- n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

242. The _____ population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.

- n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

243. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

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

244. I claim on my _____ that it is true.

- n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 237. brooded, 238. sweep, 239. victory, 240. horrible, 241. hero, 242. county's, 243. magic, 244. honor

245. He included a _____ from the book in his essay.

- n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

246. The rules were _____ after the new executive arrived.

- v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

247. I'm attending a leadership _____ next week.

- n.* a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject

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

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

249. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

- v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

250. He is excessively _____ of alcohol.

- adj.* having affection or liking for someone, particularly someone you've known for a long time

251. Your company has been a great _____ to me.

- n.* the comfort received by a person after misfortune or disappointment

252. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.

- v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

253. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

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

ANSWERS: 245. quotation, 246. relaxed, 247. seminar, 248. nation, 249. occupy, 250. fond, 251. consolation, 252. obsessed, 253. colleague

254. This fund is responsible for disability and _____ benefits.

n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job

255. The smell of fresh ____ trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.

n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches

256. They each choose _____ to battle.

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

257. He had fond memories of his _____ spent playing in the park with his friends.

n. the state or time of being a child

258. The North Star is a reliable _____ for navigators in the night sky.

n. a guiding star, especially the North Star (Polaris), used to determine direction; a person or thing that serves as a reliable guide or principle

259. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

260. They have been living near water since _____ times.

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

261. We must _____ address the problem.

adv. directly and firmly; in a square shape

262. The teacher attempted to _____ the importance of hard work in her students.

v. to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually

ANSWERS: 254. retirement, 255. fir, 256. nonetheless, 257. childhood, 258. lodestar, 259. psychology, 260. ancient, 261. squarely, 262. instill

263. He refused to _____ our proposal.

- v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

264. There was a massive police presence at the anti-government _____.

- v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

265. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

266. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.

- n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

267. I like to spend my _____ time playing sports or reading on weekends.

- n.* the freedom provided by the absence of pressures or responsibilities

268. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

- n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

269. I didn't mean to _____ out the answer, but it came out before I could stop.

- v.* to utter suddenly and impulsively, without prior thought or consideration; to let something slip out unintentionally

270. Being demoted at work was a great _____ to him.

- n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment

ANSWERS: 263. entertain, 264. rally, 265. engagement, 266. balance, 267. leisure, 268. tales, 269. blurt, 270. indignity

271. The path to a solid online _____ necessitates a high technical ability.

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

272. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

273. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

274. The stone _____ was built to commemorate the war heroes.

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

275. The political landscape looks _____ without a change of administration.

adj. unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope

276. We must consume dietary _____ to maintain good health.

n. thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

277. They gazed blankly at the _____ skies.

adj. (especially of a room or building) very large and plenty of space

278. Please _____ the assignment to me.

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

279. Its online sales _____ drive the company's profits.

adv. only; exclusively; entirely; without any others being involved or present

ANSWERS: 271. presence, 272. individual, 273. vulnerable, 274. monument, 275. bleak, 276. fiber, 277. spacious, 278. submit, 279. solely

280. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

281. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.

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

282. She has an _____ sense of who is telling a lie.

adj. strange or mysterious, often in a way that is unsettling

283. The _____ of the Romantic period is known for its emotion and imagination.

n. written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value

284. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

285. They continued to endure _____ treatment by the dictatorship.

adj. not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

286. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

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

287. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 280. precious, 281. string, 282. uncanny, 283. literature, 284. revolution, 285. irrational, 286. fins, 287. surround

288. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
289. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.
- adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
290. The floor was made of white and black _____ arranged in a checkerboard pattern.
- n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
291. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
292. The death of her best friend filled her with _____.
- n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
293. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
- n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
294. The _____ over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.
- n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
295. The customer on the Internet has to choose one from a formidable _____ of products.
- n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive

ANSWERS: 288. importance, 289. moral, 290. marble, 291. privilege, 292. sorrow, 293. fuel, 294. dispute, 295. array

296. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

297. He has always shown great _____ to his friends and family.

n. the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something

298. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

299. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

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

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

301. That style is no longer in _____.

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

ANSWERS: 296. invisible, 297. loyalty, 298. accomplish, 299. figs, 300. convinced, 301. fashion