

## WORD LIST-2 (OCT 13, 2022)

1. spiral (noun) – the process of deterioration, decline, decrease.
2. Crimea (noun) – a peninsula along the northern coast of the Black Sea in Eastern Europe. The peninsula is almost entirely surrounded by both the Black Sea and the smaller Sea of Azov. The status of Crimea is disputed. It is claimed by Ukraine and in 2014 was recognized as Ukrainian by the United Nations and most other countries, but it is governed by Russia. Russia formally annexed Crimea on 18 March 2014.
3. Crimean Bridge/Kerch Strait Bridge (noun) – a pair of parallel bridges linking the Russian mainland to the Crimean Peninsula. Built by the Russian Federation after the annexation of Crimea at the start of the Russo-Ukrainian War in 2014, the bridge has a length of 19 km making it the longest bridge in Europe and the longest bridge ever constructed by Russia. Besides transportation, Russia intended the bridge to support its claims to Crimea.
4. retaliation (noun) – counterattack; vengeance, revenge/retribution.
5. compromise (noun) – agreement, understanding, settlement, middle ground, deal.
6. talks (noun) – discussions, negotiations, deliberation.
7. hostility (noun) – enmity, bitterness, rancour, resentment.
8. strait (noun) – a narrow sea passage (connecting two seas); channel, stretch of water, waterway.
9. crimean (noun) – a native of the Crimea.
10. peninsula (noun) – an area of land almost surrounded by water (on three sides) and one side attached to the mainland.
11. escalatory (adjective) – increasing (rapidly).
12. way out (noun) – solution, resolution, answer, remedy.
13. in sight (phrase) - near at hand; close at hand; going to happen soon.
14. retaliate (verb) – hit back, counterattack, take revenge.
15. missile (noun) – a self-propelled/rocket-propelled weapon designed to deliver a conventional/nuclear explosive warhead with great accuracy at high speed; projectile.
16. strike (noun) – attack, assault.
17. civilian (noun) – non-military person, ordinary citizen.

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