

WORD LIST-2 (DEC 06, 2022)

1. **blowback** (noun) – unexpected (bad & harmful) outcomes; negative consequences/results/reactions of an action or decision (particularly, of a political action).
2. **Islamic Republic** (noun) – a sovereign state in the form of a republic that is officially ruled by Islamic laws (e.g. Iran).
3. **disband** (verb) – break up, dissolve, dismiss.
4. **infamous** (adjective) – notorious, disreputable, ill-famed.
5. **morality police** (noun) - "Gasht-e-Ershad," which translates as "guidance patrols," and is widely known as the "morality police," is a unit of Iran's police force established under former hardline president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.
6. **regime** (noun) - government, administration.
7. **willing** (adjective) - ready, prepared, agreeable.
8. **concession** (noun) – agreement, understanding, deal, accommodation.
9. **spell** (noun) - a short period, time, session, course.
10. **hijab** (noun) – headscarf; a head covering, generally a veil or a scarf, worn in public by some Muslim women.
11. **come out on the streets/take to the streets** (phrase) – (of a crowd) to come together in the streets to display communal harmony in either celebration or opposition.
12. **mandatory** (adjective) - necessary, obligatory, required, compulsory.
13. **call for** (phrasal verb) – require, publicly ask/necessitate, demand.
14. **repression** (noun) – suppression, oppression, quelling, restraining/stifling.
15. **propaganda** (noun) – the (deliberate & systemic) spreading of information (facts, ideas, rumours or lies) to influence public opinion.
16. **pro-** (prefix) – supporting.
17. **hand** (noun) – help, a helping hand, assistance, aid, support.
18. **order** (noun) – peace, quietness, calm, law and order;
19. **background** (noun) - situation, condition, context.
20. **abolish** (verb) - cancel, overrule, invalidate, reverse, annul, nullify.
21. **cautious** (adjective) – careful, wary, aware, heedful, attentive, circumspect.
22. **authorities** (noun) – officials, officialdom, the people in charge, the government the bureaucracy.
23. **dismiss** (verb) – deny, reject, disregard, spurn, brush off.
24. **placate** (verb) – appease, calm down, pacify, reconcile.

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25. **theocratic** (adjective) – relating to the rule by religious leaders in the name of God guiding them.
26. **substance** (noun) – significant subject, important matter/content, valid message.
27. **clergy** (noun) – religious leader.
28. **in control** (phrase) – having the power to make all the important decisions.
29. **draw** (verb) – get, obtain; derive, gather.
30. **legitimacy** (noun) – lawfulness, legality, rightfulness.
31. **legislative** (adjective) – relating to the legislature.
32. **legislature** (noun) – law-making body or governing body; parliament, congress, council, assembly.
33. **principalist** (noun) – a radical conservative.
34. **status quoist** (noun) – a supporter/defender of the *status quo* is called as status quoist. (*status quo* – the present situation, the current state, the existing state of affairs).
35. **moderate** (noun) – a person who is having moderate (political) views.
36. **reformist** (noun) – liberal, leftist.
37. **safety valve** (noun) – a way or medium of expression to release strong feelings without harming oneself & others.
38. **lead to** (verb) – result in, cause, bring on, bring about, give rise to.
39. **pent-up** (adjective) – suppressed, confined, held back, not expressed (emotions/feelings).
40. **sanctions** (noun) – action taken, or an order given to force a country to obey international laws by limiting or stopping trade with that country, by not allowing economic aid for that country, etc.
41. **clerical** (adjective) – relating to a clergy (religious leader).
42. **establishment** (noun) – government, administration, regime, system.
43. **consolidate** (verb) – strengthen, reinforce, fortify.
44. **presidency** (noun) – the office of president.
45. **judiciary** (noun) – a branch of government in which judicial power is vested; judges collectively.
46. **majlis** (noun) – an Arabic term meaning a house of parliament (as in Iran or Iraq).
47. **hardliner** (noun) – a group/a political party with people who support a strict ideas and they are extreme & uncompromising.

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48. **Supreme Leader of Iran** (noun) – the head of state of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The dominant figure in Iranian politics is not the president but rather the supreme leader. According to the constitution of Islamic Republic of Iran, the President of Iran is the chief executive who is elected by direct vote of people of Iran and Supreme Leader of Iran is the highest ranked political and religious head in Islamic Republic of Iran.
49. **concentration** (noun) – centralization, accumulation.
50. **sideline** (verb) – remove (from the centre of attention).
51. **sidelining** (noun) – removal of someone/something from the centre of attention.
52. **boomerang** (verb) – backfire, come back, bounce back, return (to cause problems); be counterproductive, come home to roost, have an adverse effect, have unwelcome repercussions, be self-defeating.
53. **light the fuse** (phrase) – to make a bad situation to become worse; make matters worse; worsen, compound, escalate, aggravate, inflame, exacerbate.
54. **in a spot** (phrase) – in a difficult situation.
55. **sustainability** (noun) – stability, reliability, longevity, constancy.
56. **post-revolutionary** (adjective) – existing after a revolution.
57. **post-revolutionary order** (noun) - a condition/situation that is existing after a revolution.
58. **call** (noun) – demand, necessity, need, reason, pretext, requirement.
59. **age** (verb) - cause to appear old; grow old.
60. **Ayatollah** (noun) – an important religious leader of Shiite Muslims in Iran; leader or key figure in general.
61. **dilemma** (noun) – quandary, predicament, difficulty.
62. **tighten** (verb) – make stricter, make more rigorous, make more stringent, stiffen, toughen.
63. **grip** (noun) – control, stranglehold, domination (over something).
64. **tighten your grip on something** (phrase) – start to control something more strictly.

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