

WORD LIST-1 (OCT 12, 2022)

1. **be all things to all people** (phrase) - If you try to be all things to all people, you make an effort to do things that will make happy everyone.
2. **footprint** (noun) – impression, effect, impact; the area taken control by someone/something.
3. **cradle** (noun) - place of origin.
4. **seek** (verb) – try to obtain, aim, attempt.
5. **capitalise** on (verb) – take advantage of, make the most of, cash in on, exploit, benefit from.
6. **eye** (verb) – look at (with interest), see, observe, view, keep watch on, keep an eye on.
7. **down to the wire** (phrase) - relating to a situation whose result is unpredictable till the very last moment.
8. **due** (adjective) – expected, anticipated, scheduled for.
9. **supremo** (noun) – very important person, leading light (with great authority).
10. **in the hope of** (phrase) - with the interest/desire of; with the expectation of.
11. **anti-incumbency** (noun) – a situation which is against elected officials currently in power; discontent against ruling government/ party in power.
12. **sauce** (noun) - something that is more interesting and exciting.
13. **dish out** (phrasal verb) – dispense or provide casually.
14. **generously** (adverb) – largely, amply, abundantly.
15. **palatable** (adjective) – acceptable, satisfactory, pleasing, agreeable.
16. **all this while** (phrase) - during this time.
17. **catalogue** (noun) – a series of things; a total list of items.
18. **pilgrimage** (noun) – religious journey, holy expedition, excursion.
19. **label** (verb) - term, call, name, identify, classify.
20. **wear one's (heart) on one's sleeve** (phrase) – make one's feelings/activities apparent.
21. **credentials** (noun) – identities, qualities; achievement, experience, knowledge.

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22. **find oneself** (phrase) – to realize and accept what you are really like and what you want to do in life; accept one's situation.
23. **on the back foot** (phrase) – in a defensive position, off balance, at a disadvantage.
24. **pledge** (verb) – promise, undertake, vow, commit, assure, agree, guarantee.
25. **disown** (verb) - abandon, denounce, deny, reject.
26. **marching order** (noun) – an order to leave a place, a job, etc.
27. **expulsion** (noun) - removal, elimination, rejection, ejection.
28. **the Council of Ministers** (noun) – the supreme executive organ in a government. The term is usually equivalent to the word “cabinet”.
29. **in contrast with** (phrase) - as against, as an alternative to, as opposed to.
30. **backing** (noun) - protection, guidance, support.
31. **therein** (adverb) – in that respect.
32. **lie** (verb) – be present, exist.
33. **fashion** (verb) - build, make, create, construct, form, shape, forge.
34. **governance** (noun) – the act of governing something; administration.
35. **transparency** (noun) – clarity, straightforwardness, openness, honesty, unambiguity.
36. **accountability** (noun) – responsibility, liability, answerability.
37. **devoid of** (adjective) – without, lacking, deprived of.
38. **structure** (noun) - system, scheme, plan, framework.
39. **all-embracing** (adjective) - complete, comprehensive, thorough, all-inclusive.
40. **welfarism** (noun) – the principles/policies of a welfare state.
41. **entice** (verb) - attract, win, capture, obtain, lure, invite.
42. **ideology** (noun) – a system of belief, set of principles.
43. **unravel** (verb) – fall apart, fail, collapse, go wrong.
44. **potency** (noun) – strength, efficacy, powerfulness, vigour, spirit.
45. **capacity** (noun) - potentiality, capability, potential, ability.

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46. **central agencies** (plural noun) – the central agencies are organizations in the executive branch that co-ordinate the activities of, and provide guidance to the operating ministries and agencies; e.g. Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Income Tax Department (IT) and etc.
47. **methodically** (adverb) - systematically.
48. **corner** (verb) – gain control of, gain dominance of, take over, control, dominate.
49. **brazen (it) out** (phrasal verb) - to act or behave confidently & shamelessly (even after doing something wrong & also by not admitting that); put a bold face on it, be defiant, be unashamed.
50. **barb** (noun) – an intentionally painful remark/comment; insult, sneer, jibe, cutting remark, affront, rebuff.
51. **shake** (verb) - upset, distress, disturb, unsettle.
52. **sustainable** (adjective) - defensible, justifiable, defendable, supportable, acceptable.
53. **radical** (adjective) – revolutionary, progressive, forward-looking, reforming, liberal.
54. **divisive** (adjective) – alienating/isolating, disharmonious, discordant.
55. **falter** (verb) – oscillate, fluctuate, change one's mind, be undecided, be irresolute.
56. **shaky** (adjective) – faltering, unsteady, uncertain, unreliable, untrustworthy, questionable, dubious, doubtful, tenuous, unsubstantial, weak, undependable, unsupported.
57. **subservience** (noun)
– conformity, submission, compliance, obedience.
58. **brazen** (adjective) – blatant/flagrant; bold and shameless; unashamed, unabashed, unembarrassed.
59. **resistance** (noun) – opposition, defiant; refusal to accept, unwillingness to accept.
60. **scrutiny** (noun) – examination, inspection, investigation.

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