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WORD LIST-1 (JAN 12, 2022)

1. **a straw in the wind** (phrase) - a slight indication/sign of what might happen in the future.
2. **defection** (noun) – desertion, absconding, decamping.
3. **spurt** (noun) – sudden increase, rise, surge.
4. **stereotypical** (adjective) – common, ordinary; overused, standardized, clichéd.
5. **popular culture** (noun) – a culture that depends on the tastes of ordinary people instead of an educated & higher society people.
6. **unflattering** (adjective) – unattractive, unbecoming, ugly, ugly-looking, incorrect.
7. **unfair** (adjective) – unjust, inequitable, prejudiced, biased; unequal, uneven.
8. **vocation** (noun) - a trade or business or profession; post, position, occupation, profession.
9. **scrutiny** (noun) – examination, inspection, investigation.
10. **legislator** (noun) – a member of a legislature (parliament/legislative assembly); lawmaker, representative.
11. **accountability** (noun) – responsibility, liability, answerability.
12. **empower** (verb) – authorize, allow, entitle.
13. **tendency** (noun) – inclination, disposition, leaning, penchant.
14. **switch** (verb) - change.
15. **on the eve of** (phrase) – a period or day before an important event.
16. **spare** (verb) - leave unhurt, free.
17. **hardly** (adverb) – barely, almost not.
18. **ideology** (noun) – a system of belief, set of principles.
19. **affiliation** (noun) - relationship, partnership, association, coalition, union, alliance.
20. **anomaly** (noun) – something different, abnormal, unusual; oddity, peculiarity, deviation, aberration, exception.
21. **ample** (adjective) – enough, sufficient, adequate, plenty of.
22. **disgruntled** (adjective) – aggrieved, dissatisfied, unhappy/disappointed.
23. **partyman** (noun) - a member of a political party.
24. **bandwagon** (noun) – a popular activity/event that is currently become fashion.
25. **hitch** (verb) – fasten, connect, attach, tie; lift, raise.
26. **hitch one's wagon to (a star)** (verb) - to try to get advantage/benefit from something or someone else's success or strength by closely associating with it or them.

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27. [bring in](#) (phrasal verb) – introduce, cause, bring about, create.
28. [calculation](#) (noun) – forecast, projection, prediction, expectation; assessment, judgement.
29. [whiff](#) (noun) – trace, hint, note.
30. [electorate](#) (noun) – all the people who entitled to vote in an election.
31. [occurrence](#) (noun) - event, incident, happening.
32. [pronounced](#) (adjective) – noticeable, marked, strong, conspicuous, striking, distinct, prominent, notable.
33. [identity](#) (noun) – a social category, a set of persons marked by a label and distinguished by rules deciding membership and (alleged) characteristic features or attributes; individuality, character, originality.
34. [no longer](#) (phrase) – not anymore.
35. [ideological](#) (adjective) – relating to a system of ideas (ideology).
36. [divide](#) (noun) - division, separation, difference, polarity, divergence.
37. [for instance](#) (phrase) – as an example.
38. [dime a dozen](#) (phrase) - be very common; of very little value; tedious, dull, monotonous.
39. [opportunist](#) (noun) – a person who is selfish, self-centred, self-seeking, egocentric.
40. [consideration](#) (noun) – factor, issue, point, concern, matter.
41. [legislative](#) (adjective) – relating to a legislature; law-making, policymaking.
42. [fortunes](#) (noun) – luck, fate, destiny, predestination, karma.
43. [party-hopping](#) (noun) – an act of moving often from one place (party) to another place (party).
44. [of late](#) (phrase) - recently, lately, in the past few days.
45. [come as a surprise](#) (phrase) – to make someone feel surprised.
46. [contestation](#) (noun) – contention, disagreement, disputation, argument.
47. [fractious](#) (adjective) - argumentative, quarrelsome, contentious, controversial, difficult (to control), disagreeable.
48. [polity](#) (noun) – a politically organized society.
49. [fray](#) (noun) – contest, competition.
50. [exacerbate](#) (verb) – intensify, increase, heighten, aggravate, make worse, worsen.
51. [widen](#) (verb) – increase, enlarge, expand.
52. [more so](#) (phrase) – to a greater degree; to a greater extent.

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53. **hopper** (noun) – a person who pass/go quickly from one place to another; defector, betrayer, turncoat, traitor (a person who changes sides).
54. **Other Backward Class (OBC)** (noun) – In the Indian Constitution, OBCs are described as socially and educationally backward classes (SEBC), and the Government of India is enjoined to ensure their social and educational development.
55. **diligently** (adverb) - conscientiously, particularly, meticulously, painstakingly, attentively, carefully.
56. **woo** (verb) - tempt, coax, persuade, pursue, chase.
57. **get an edge over** (phrase) - to have a slight advantage over.
58. **Mandal party** (noun) - a party which supports the (socially and educationally) backward castes.
59. **consolation** (noun) - comfort, solace.
60. **in the fact that** (phrase) - Used to refer to a particular situation under discussion.
61. **identity politics** (plural noun) – it is also called as identitarian politics, refers to political positions based on the interests and perspectives of social groups with which people identify. Identity politics is when people of a particular race, ethnicity, gender, or religion form alliances and organize politically to defend their group's interests.
62. **salient** (adjective) – important, main, major, primary, notable.
63. **secure** (verb) – obtain ,get, acquire, find something with difficulty.
64. **close call** (noun) - narrow escape.
65. **put up a fight** (phrase) - retaliate, counterattack, strike back, hit back, reply, respond, react, reciprocate, give tit for tat.
66. **spirited** (adjective) – energetic, active, vigorous, dynamic, enthusiastic, passionate, fiery.
67. **at the very least** (phrase) - to put it mildly, without any exaggeration.
68. **aura** (noun) – atmosphere, quality, aspect, character, feeling/mood, spirit.
69. **invincibility** (noun) – unconquerability; unbeatable & powerful quality.
70. **markedly** (adverb) – noticeably, strikingly, distinctly.
71. **erosion** (noun) – destruction, undermining, weakening, sapping, deterioration, disintegration.
72. **unmistakable** (adjective) – definite, obvious, evident, well defined.

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