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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (APR 12, 2023)

1. Ides of (noun) – the 15th day of the March, May, July, and October, and the 13th day of the other months.
2. radicalised (adjective) - fanatic, radical, extremist, radicalist.
3. yield (verb) – surrender, submit, capitulate, give in.
4. strong-arm (adjective) – aggressive, forceful, bullying, coercive, oppressive, threatening, intimidatory.
5. sectarian (adjective) – factional, partisan, dogmatic, fanatical, bigoted, narrow-minded.
6. maul (verb) – criticize, attack, assault.
7. raise its head (phrase) – of a difficult problem, to present itself and compel people to deal with it.
8. diaspora (noun) – the people who spread/scatter from their own country to places across the world. Indian diaspora constitutes NRIs (Non-resident Indians) and PIOs (Persons of Indian origins).
9. extremism (noun) – radicalism, fanaticism, dogmatism.
10. of late (phrase) – recently, lately, in the past few days.
11. a new lease of life (phrase) – an improved and energetic life after making something better than before.
12. self-styled (adjective) – so-called, self-appointed, self-avowed, self-professed.
13. of yore (phrase) – of long ago (or) former times.
14. at best (phrase) – only, simply, but, nothing but.
15. resemblance (noun) - similarity, likeness, comparison, correlation.
16. imposter (noun) – fraudster, masquerader, pretender, deceiver.
17. substance (noun) – significant subject, important matter/content, valid message.
18. galvanise (verb) – urge, arouse, stimulate, encourage, inspire, prompt.
19. fringe (noun) - marginal part of a group (and their views are more extreme than the majority)
20. mystique (noun) – glamour, magic, fascination, charisma.
21. doom (verb) - to make someone or something certain to fail.
22. coterie (noun) – a small group of people with shared interests and they generally don't allow others to join them; sect, gang, inner circle, faction/camp.
23. successor (noun) – a person who comes after somebody else and takes his/her job/place; inheritor, next-in-line, descendant.

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24. Khalistan (noun) – Khalistan movement (a Sikh separatist movement) seeking to create a homeland for Sikhs by establishing a sovereign state, called Khālīstān ('Land of the Khalsa'), in the Punjab region.
25. discriminate (verb) – be biased, show prejudice, treat differently, treat unfairly, disfavour.
26. grist (noun) – it is a valuable/useful thing, particularly to help an argument/contention.
27. orgy (noun) – overindulgence, spree, unrestrained bout (a period/spell where there is too much of something, particularly a bad or harmful activity).
28. pay a price (phrase) – experience the bad/unpleasant result of something.
29. cause for concern (phrase) - reason to worry.
30. dispensation (noun) – government, regime, system, establishment.
31. checkmate (verb) - block, stop, arrest, thwart, or counter fully.
32. Operation Blue Star (noun) – it was a military operation (In 1-8th June, 1984) which was ordered by Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister, to remove Sikh militants who were accumulating weapons in the Harmandir Sahib Complex (Golden Temple).
33. inflame (verb) – incite, arouse, provoke, stir up.
34. Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) (noun) – a primary intelligence agency in Pakistan.
35. face up to (phrasal verb) - tackle, deal with, address, grapple with.
36. outburst (noun) – a sudden eruption/release (of strong emotion).
37. underpinning (noun) – solid base, main support, foundation, basis.
38. misreading (noun) – misinterpretation, misunderstanding, incomprehension, misapprehension.
39. unheeded (adjective) – disregarded, ignored, neglected.
40. proximate (adjective) – nearest, near, close, closest; immediate; nearly accurate.
41. intelligence (noun) – (military/political) information, facts, details, particulars.
42. gadgetry (noun) - gadget, machinery, device, appliance.
43. intelligence agency (noun) – a government agency responsible for the collection, analysis, and exploitation of information in support of law enforcement, national security, military, and foreign policy objectives.

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44. celluloid (noun) – cinema, motion pictures, films.
45. people (verb) - live in, occupy, reside in.
46. swashbuckling (adjective) – daring, heroic, adventurous, bold, valiant, fearless.
47. futuristic (adjective) – original, innovatory, new.
48. nugget (noun) - a valuable idea.
49. discontent (noun) – disappointment, dissatisfaction, disgruntlement, resentment, grievances, unhappiness, displeasure.
50. peasantry (noun) – agricultural labourers.
51. escapade (noun) - exploit, adventurous act, deed, incident.
52. authorities (noun) – officials, officialdom, the people in charge, the government the bureaucracy.
53. anointment (noun) - the ritual act of pouring aromatic oil over a person's head or entire body; consecration.
54. docket (verb) - document, record, register.
55. repeal (verb) – invalidate, reverse, cancel, nullify, revoke.
56. Farm Acts, 2000 (noun) – Farm Acts, 2000 refer to three agricultural bills passed by Indian Parliament in September 2020. The three acts are “The Farmers’ Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020 (FPTC Act) allows farmers to sell their harvest outside the notified Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) mandis without paying any State taxes or fees”, “the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Act, 2020 facilitates contract farming and direct marketing”, and “the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Act, 2020 deregulates the production, storage, movement and sale of several major foodstuffs, including cereals, pulses, edible oils and onion, except in the case of extraordinary circumstances”.
57. agrarian (adjective) – relating to cultivating/farming.
58. implicitly (adverb) – indirectly, tacitly, understandably, in a implied/hinted way.
59. put to rest (phrase) – to stop people from concerning/doubting about an issue by explaining/resolving it.
60. radical (noun) - extremist, fanatic, hardliner.
61. introspect (verb) – self-observe, self-examine, self analyse, contemplate.
62. incipient (adjective) – beginning, starting, emerging, developing.
63. revival (noun) – improvement, rallying, picking up; re-establishment, reintroduction, restoration.
64. exploit (verb) – take advantage of, make use of, utilize.

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65. ad nauseam (adverb) – repeatedly, frequently, often, many times, again and again (ad nauseam is a Latin term, literally meaning ‘to sickness or to nausea’; to do something (e.g. argument, discussion, etc.) continuously/repeatedly to the point of nausea/sickness).
66. exacerbate (verb) – intensify, heighten, increase; aggravate, worsen, make worse.
67. conjure up (phrasal verb) – make something appear, generate, produce, generate (unexpectedly or by magic).
68. sinister (adjective) – disturbing, menacing, threatening, alarming.
69. ground work (noun) - preliminary work.
70. conspicuously (adverb) – prominently, mainly, importantly (to attract attention).
71. stumble (verb) – fall, slip, falter, flounder, blunder.
72. vaunted (adjective) – acclaimed, highly rated, admired.
73. at/in/to the forefront of (phrase) – be in a leading/front/important position in an important activity; spearhead, van guard, front line, leading position.
74. radicalisation (noun) – the process of causing someone to follow radical ways particularly in politics (& society).
75. diplomat (noun) – ambassador, envoy, consul, emissary.
76. conviction (noun) – belief, opinion, view, thought.
77. omnipresent (adjective) – present everywhere, everywhere, all-over, ubiquitous, all-pervasive, prevalent, very common.
78. notwithstanding (preposition) – despite, in spite of, regardless of.
79. liaison (noun) – connection, tie-up, partnership, link.
80. ham-handed (adjective) – ham-fisted, inefficient/incompetent, amateurish, useless.
81. by way of (phrase) - constituting; as a form of.
82. retaliation (noun) – counterattack; vengeance, revenge/retribution.
83. embattled (adjective) – (relating to something) troubled by problems or difficulties.
84. ways and means (phrase) - methods and things for achieving something.
85. siren call (noun) - a metaphor for something appealing that tempts someone to act foolishly.
86. hue (noun) – character, aspect, appearance.

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