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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (NOV 19, 2021)

1. [heavy lifting](#) (noun) – difficult work.
2. [scaffolding](#) (noun) - a (temporary) supporting structure.
3. [26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties \(COP26\)](#) (noun) –
The 26th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP26) of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is expected to take place from 01-12 November 2021, in Glasgow, UK. The COP26 summit will bring parties together to accelerate action towards the goals of the Paris Agreement and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.
4. [make a difference](#) (phrase) – be important, have a significant effect on, to cause a change.
5. [humanity](#) (noun) – human beings, humankind, the human race.
6. [address](#) (verb) – tackle, deal with, attend to, try to sort out.
7. [climate change](#) (noun) – a long-term change in the Earth's climate, or of a region on Earth.
8. [Climate Treaty or Paris Agreement/Accord/pact](#) (noun) – The Paris Agreement is a legally binding international treaty on climate change. It was adopted by 196 Parties at COP 21 in Paris, on 12 December 2015 and entered into force on 4 November 2016. Its goal is to limit global warming to well below 2, preferably to 1.5 degrees Celsius, compared to pre-industrial levels.
9. [receptive](#) (adjective) - responsive, open-minded, open to new ideas, willing, open.
10. [nudge](#) (noun) – push, prod, encouragement, reminder.
11. [implementation](#) (noun) – execution, enforcement, imposition.
12. [negotiation](#) (noun) – discussions, talks, deliberation.
13. [talk-fest](#) (noun) - a lengthy discussion/conversation.
14. [activist](#) (noun) – a person who supports a political or societal change/cause.
15. [hit and miss](#) (phrase) - unsystematic, unmethodical, unarranged, unplanned.
16. [put in place](#) (phrase) – establish, set up, create/form.
17. [lever](#) (noun) - a way of putting pressure on someone into doing something.
18. [pledge](#) (noun) – promise, undertaking, vow, word, commitment, assurance, oath, agreement, guarantee.
19. [Nationally determined contributions \(NDCs\)](#) (noun) – NDCs are at the heart of the Paris Agreement and the achievement of these long-term goals. NDCs embody efforts by each country to reduce national emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change.

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20. **draw on** (phrasal verb) - rely on, make use of, use, employ, utilize.
21. **insight** (noun) – understanding, realization, recognition, experience (of a thing).
22. **mitigation** (noun) – alleviation, reduction; lessening.
23. **greenhouse gas** (GHGs) (noun) – heat-trapping gas; a gas (such as water vapor, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, etc.) in the atmosphere that absorbs and emits radiation, causing the greenhouse effect and warming of Earth's temperature.
24. **make/grab hit the headlines** (phrase) - be published/reported widely by the media
to get a lot of public attention.
25. **as always** (phrase) - as usual.
26. **mechanism** (noun) – procedure, process, method, technique.
27. **elicit** (verb) – obtain, bring forth/bring out, draw out.
28. **ratchet up** (phrasal verb) – to increase something by a series of small amounts.
29. **benchmark** (noun as modifier) – standard, base/basis, ideal.
30. **strategy** (noun) – plan of action (in order to achieve a more expansive set of political, economic, and security interests).
31. **scrutinise** (verb) – examine carefully, inspect; investigate.
32. **explicitly** (adverb) – clearly, unequivocally, understandably, without question/doubt.
33. **keep alive** (phrasal verb) – keep going, continue, sustain.
34. **add up** (phrasal verb) - make sense, seem reasonable, seem plausible, stand to reason, ring true.
35. **modeller** (noun) - a person who uses a simple description of a system or a process that can be utilized to explain it, etc.
36. **flurry** (noun) – spate, series, succession.
37. **net zero emissions/carbon neutrality** (noun) – it means annual zero net CO₂ emissions; Carbon neutrality means every ton of anthropogenic (human-caused or influenced) CO₂ emitted is compensated with an equivalent amount of CO₂ removed (e.g. via carbon sink or carbon sequestration).
38. **extract** (verb) - obtain, get, acquire.
39. **feasible** (adjective) – practicable, viable, realistic.
40. **only just** (phrase) - by a very small degree.
41. **jargon** (noun) – specialized, unreadable, confused language which is very complicated to understand.

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42. **ambition cycle** (noun) - The Paris Agreement works on a five- year cycle of increasingly ambitious climate action carried out by countries. Every five years, each country is expected to submit an updated national climate action plan - known as Nationally Determined Contribution, or NDC.
43. **interpretation** (noun) – explanation, elucidation, clarification, definition; examination, evaluation, analysis.
44. **aspirational** (adjective) - ambitious, determined, aspiring; formidable, challenging.
45. **hold someone responsible/accountable for** (phrase) – blame someone for something.
46. **to one's credit** (phrase) – used to mention that someone deserves praise/admiration.
47. **highlight** (verb) – underline, underscore, emphasize.
48. **call on** (phrasal verb) – appeal to, ask, request.
49. **align with** (verb) – unite, combine, join, team up, band together, cooperate.
50. **side-step** (verb) – avoid, evade/dodge, escape.
51. **long-standing** (adjective) – persistent, continuing (for a long time).
52. **climate equity** (noun) – it means both protection from environmental hazards as well as access to environmental benefits for all, regardless of income, race, and other characteristics.
53. **equity** (noun) – fairness, justness, neutrality, lack of bias, impartiality.
54. **crystallise** (verb) – become clear, become definite, take shape, materialize.
55. **high-profile** (adjective) – prominent, most important, attracting much public attention.
56. **clause** (noun) – section, stipulation, requirement, condition, provision.
57. **call for** (phrasal verb) – require, publicly ask/necessitate, demand.
58. **phase down** (noun) – a gradual reduction.
59. **unabated** (adjective) – continuous, never-ending, non-stop, persistent.
60. **phase out** (phrasal verb) – provide/eliminate (something in gradual stages).
61. **fossil fuel** (noun) – non renewable resources (or fossil fuels such as coal, oil and natural gas are formed from the buried/deposited organic materials).
62. **subsidy/subvention** (noun) – also called subvention; a financial contribution granted to help an industry or business, mostly given by a government, in order to keep the price of service/goods at a low level.

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63. **end up** (phrasal verb) – come/appear, find oneself (to a particular course of action in the end).
64. **storm** (noun) – trouble, disturbance, controversy.
65. **preclude** (verb) – prevent, prohibit, block/exclude.
66. **point of view** (noun) – opinion, view, viewpoint, standpoint.
67. **footing** (noun) – position, state, condition.
68. **substantively** (adverb) – importantly, significantly, meaningfully.
69. **nonetheless** (adverb) – notwithstanding, nevertheless, in spite of that/however.
70. **vulnerable** (adjective) – endangered, unsafe, unprotected, unguarded, ill-protected; easily affected by, prone to, at risk of.
71. **give someone a black eye** (phrase) – to punish someone; to spoil someone's status/character.
72. **diplomatic** (adjective) – consular, foreign-policy, political.
73. **explicit** (adjective) – clear, straightforward, definite, specific, categorical.
74. **constrain** (verb) – restrict, limit, control, restrain.
75. **the way out** (noun) – a method of dealing with a problem; solution.
76. **seek** (verb) – ask for, request, appeal, demand.
77. **accelerated** (adjective) – increased, expedited, stepped up, hastened.
78. **adaptation** (noun) – alteration, modification, adjustment. (adjustments in ecological, social, or economic systems in response to actual or expected climatic stimuli and their effects or impacts. It refers to changes in processes, practices, and structures to moderate potential damages or to benefit from opportunities associated with climate change).
79. **reflect** (verb) – indicate, exhibit, display, demonstrate.
80. **imbalance** (noun) – disparity, variation, disproportion, unevenness, lopsidedness.
81. **set up** (phrasal verb) – create, start, begin, initiate, institute, establish.
82. **complementary** (adjective) – complementing, supporting, corresponding.
83. **compensate** (verb) – recompense, repay, pay back, reimburse, remunerate (in recognition of loss/suffering).
84. **go beyond** (phrasal verb) – to be more than something; to be better than something; to do more than something.
85. **lip service** (noun) – a method of expressing approval/support without taking any significant action.
86. **back** (verb) – support, endorse, advocate, promote, uphold.

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87. **dismay** (noun) - alarm, shock, surprise, distress, concern.
88. **take forward** (phrasal verb) – deal/cope with, address, handle.
89. **open the door** (phrase) - provide someone opportunities (for success).
90. **reparation** (noun) - amends, restitution, redress, compensation.
91. **frustration** (noun) – disappointment, annoyance/irritation, dissatisfaction.
92. **decade** (noun) – a period of ten years.
93. **regret** (noun) – apology.
94. **a slap in the face** (phrase) - rebuff, rejection, snub, insult, affront, put-down, humiliation, a blow to one's pride.
95. **imply** (verb) – suggest, hint, indicate.
96. **mobilise** (verb) – (of resources) bring together for a specific cause.
97. **short of** (phrase) – less than.
98. **considerably** (adverb) – greatly, much, very much, a lot.
99. **climate finance** (noun) – it refers to local, national or transnational financing-drawn from public, private and alternative sources of financing-that seeks to support mitigation and adaptation actions that will address climate change.
100. **reportedly** (adverb) – supposedly, seemingly, apparently, professedly, ostensibly, purportedly.
101. **marshal** (verb) – organize, arrange, deploy.
102. **scarcely** (adverb) – hardly, barely.
103. **devolve** (verb) – transfer, transmit, commit, assign, give.
104. **'polluter pays' principle** (noun) - The 'polluter pays' principle is the commonly accepted practice that those who produce pollution should bear the costs of managing it to prevent damage to human health or the environment. This principle underpins most of the regulation of pollution affecting land, water and air.
105. **substantial** (adjective) – considerable, significant, large.
106. **embrace** (verb) – welcome, accept, support, back.
107. **multi-stranded** (adjective) - having several aspects.
108. **nuts and bolts** (phrase) - basic/practical details or aspects of something; fundamentals, basics.
109. **the 'Paris Rulebook'** (noun) - The 2018 Paris Rulebook governs how the world community of 191 countries must pledge emissions reduction targets under the Paris Agreement and report on their progress. It also contains provisions for rich countries to provide climate action finance to developing countries.

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110. [transparency](#) (noun as modifier) – clarity, straightforwardness, openness, honesty, unambiguity.
111. [framework](#) (noun) – structure, scheme, system.
112. [narrow](#) (verb) – reduce, lessen, lower, decrease.
113. [carbon market](#) (noun) – carbon markets aim to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG, or “carbon”) emissions cost-effectively by setting limits on emissions and enabling the trading of emission units, which are instruments representing emission reductions.
114. [stymie](#) (verb) – prevent, stop, hamper, thwart, impede, hinder.
115. [Clean Development Mechanism \(CDM\)](#) (noun) - The Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), defined in Article 12 of the Protocol, allows a country with an emission-reduction or emission-limitation commitment under the Kyoto Protocol (Annex B Party) to implement an emission-reduction project in developing countries. Such projects can earn saleable certified emission reduction (CER) credits, each equivalent to one tonne of CO₂, which can be counted towards meeting Kyoto targets.
116. [at home](#) (phrase) – in one's own country.
117. [accomplish](#) (verb) – complete, carry out, fulfil, achieve, realize, attain successfully.
118. [procedural](#) (adjective) – structured, well ordered, methodical, systematic, practical.
119. [determinant](#) (noun) – factor, issue, concern, point, matter.
120. [rest on](#) (phrasal verb) – be based on, depend on, be dependent on, rely on.
121. [revolve around](#) (phrasal verb) – be concerned with, focus on, concentrate on, centre around.
122. [inequity](#) (noun) – unfairness, unjustness, one-sidedness, partisanship, bias, prejudice, discrimination.

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