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WORD LIST-1 (NOV 09, 2021)

1. optimise (verb) – make the most effective use of something.
2. fall (noun) – decrease, decline, reduction.
3. vaccination (noun) – treatment with a vaccine to protect against a particular disease; immunization.
4. optimism (noun) – hopefulness, hope, confidence, positive attitude, buoyancy.
5. pandemic (noun) – the worldwide spread of a new disease; The illness spreads around the world and typically affects a large number of people across a wide area.
6. coronavirus (CoV) (noun) – a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases. Common signs of infection include respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, shortness of breath, and breathing difficulties. In more severe cases, the infection can cause pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure, and even death.
7. dip (verb) – decrease, fall/drop, slump.
8. case load (noun) – the number of cases to be handled by a doctor at one time.
9. stand at (verb) – be at a particular level.
10. tally (noun) – total, count.
11. a double-edged sword (phrase) – (used with a figurative meaning to explain) something which is having both good and bad outcomes.
12. hit (verb) – affect badly.
13. lethal (adjective) – destructive, harmful, fatal, deadly, life-threatening.
14. delta variant/B.1.617.2 (noun) – Formerly known as AY.2 or B.1.617.2, it's a variant of the coronavirus, first identified in India, is renamed as the 'Delta variant' by the World Health Organization (WHO) and this variant is reclassified as Variant of Concern (VOC). The B.1.617.1 strain has been reclassified to a Variant of Interest (VOI) and labelled variant "Kappa".
15. climb (verb) – increase, rise, go up.
16. plateau (verb) – reach a level/stage (of little or no growth or decline).

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17. fall (verb) – decrease, decline, reduce, lessen.
18. milestone (noun) – critical point, significant stage, turning point.
19. dose (noun) – an amount/quantity of something (a medicine/drug) prescribed to be taken at a specific time.
20. vaccine (noun) – a biological preparation that improves immunity to a particular disease.
21. administer (verb) – dispense, provide, give, apply (a drug/vaccine).
22. translate (verb) – interpret, render, express.
23. work out (phrasal verb) – calculate, compute, reckon up, determine.
24. inoculate (verb) – to inject/introduce a vaccine into the body of someone to produce immunity to a particular disease; immunize, vaccinate.
25. (be) couple with (verb) – combine, integrate, connect, incorporate, link.
26. serology survey (noun) – A serological survey is conducted to assess the prevalence of a disease in a population. It is done by detecting the presence of specific antibodies that are produced against the virus.
27. serology (noun) – a method of diagnostic examination of blood serum concerning the immune system's response to pathogens (the pathogen is something, like bacteria/virus, that causes disease). (serum is an amber (yellowish-orange), watery fluid, rich in proteins, obtained from blood...).
28. sero-survey (noun) – collection and testing of serum (or proxy such as oral fluid) specimens from a sample of a defined population over a specified period of time to estimate the prevalence of antibodies against a given specific infectious pathogen as an indicator of immunity.
29. expose (verb) – come into contact with (the disease causing virus).
30. proportion (noun) – ratio.
31. booster shot/dose (noun) – In medical terms, a booster dose is an extra administration of a vaccine after an earlier dose.
32. shot (noun) – injection, inoculation (of a vaccine/drug).

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33. wane (verb) – decrease, decline, diminish/dwindle gradually.
34. immunity (noun) – the body's defense against infections; protection, resistance.
35. pall (noun) - an unpleasant quality that seems to be in a place or situation; cloud, covering, cloak, layer of something.
36. dim (verb) - diminish, reduce, lessen, weaken.
37. apparent (adjective) – evident/clear, visible, noticeable, recognizable.
38. rejuvenation (noun) – restoration, revitalization, resurgence, revival.
39. indices plural of index (noun) – a data figure reflecting something compared with a standard or base value; pointer, indicator.
40. socialisation (noun) – the process of interaction through which the (growing) individual learns the habits, attitudes, values and beliefs of the social group.
41. in-person (adjective) – relating to an event where people physically present together.
42. surge (noun) – sudden increase or rise of something.
43. last mile (noun) - the last stage in the process.
44. let up on (phrasal verb) - treat less severely, be more lenient with.
45. advocate (verb) - recommend, prescribe, advise, support, uphold, subscribe to, champion.
46. facilitate (verb) – make easy, enable, assist, help.
47. infrastructure (noun) – the basic physical or organizational structure for something (to function properly).
48. shore up (phrasal verb) – support, help, assist someone/something from ; bolster up, buttress, strengthen, fortify, reinforce, underpin something from decline.
49. in line with (phrase) – in alignment with, in accordance with, conforming to.

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