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## ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (DEC 02, 2021)

1. appropriate (verb) - seize, take possession of, take over, assume, secure, acquire.
2. spree (noun) – a period of unrestrained/uncontrolled activity.
3. breakneck (adjective) – extremely fast, lightning, rapid.
4. swoop down (phrasal verb) - attack suddenly to seize or capture something; dive rapidly into something.
5. legislative (adjective) – relating to a legislature law-making, policymaking.
6. flutter (noun) - vibration, shake, state of agitation, state of panic.
7. ascendant (adjective) – on the rise, rising (in power), increasing/growing.
8. prognostication (noun) – prediction, forecast, projection.
9. temper (verb) – moderate, tone down, mitigate, soften, reduce.
10. come close (phrase) - achieve or do something practically.
11. crop (noun) - intake, selection, collection (of a group of people).
12. induction (noun) – recruitment, admission, admittance.
13. entrant (noun) – new member, newcomer.
14. compromise (verb) - undermine, weaken, be detrimental to, damage.
15. ragtag (adjective) – untidy, disorganized, disreputable/incongruous.
16. lightweight (noun) – less important person, leader.
17. disgruntled (adjective) – aggrieved, dissatisfied, unhappy/disappointed.
18. ageing (adjective) – old.
19. intellectual (noun) – intelligent person, academic, scholar, learned person.
20. drive (noun) – campaign, movement, effort.
21. gear towards (phrasal verb) - to make/change something so that it is well suited for a particular purpose/situation.
22. pitch (verb) - try to convince someone to accept something.
23. squarely (adverb) – precisely, exactly, just, directly.
24. take on (phrasal verb) – compete against, oppose, challenge, confront, face.
25. strategy (noun) – plan of action (in order to achieve a more expansive set of political, economic, and security interests).
26. scale up (phrasal verb) – step up, boost, escalate; increase, expand.
27. intrinsic (adjective) – integral, inherent, deep-rooted, fundamental, essential.
28. base (noun) – a group of people considered as supporting an organisation.

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29. leverage (verb) – use or utilize something to maximum advantage.
30. flirtation (noun) – relationship, involvement.
31. nurture (verb) – encourage, promote, stimulate, foster, further, advance, boost, strengthen.
32. readily (verb) - easily, with ease, without difficulty, effortlessly.
33. transcend (verb) - go beyond, rise above, surpass.
34. credentials (noun) – identities, qualities; achievement, experience, knowledge.
35. bet (noun) - option, choice, alternative.
36. plump for (verb) – choose, select, decide on.
37. greenhorn (noun) – beginner, starter, novice.
38. trodden past participle of tread (verb) - walk, step, go.
39. centrist (adjective) – relating to a person whose political opinions are not extreme, falling between those of liberals (left wing) and conservatives (right wing).
40. umbrella (modifier) – something (coalition) that has many different parts/elements.
41. vulnerable (adjective) – endangered, unsafe, unprotected, unguarded, ill-protected; easily affected by, prone to, at risk of.
42. raid (noun) - surprise attack, incursion.
43. flank (noun) – border, boundary, limits, bounds.
44. assortment (noun) - variety, mixture.
45. build up (phrasal verb) - establish, form, create.
46. poach (verb) – attract, persuade, lure someone to leave the opposition camp and join you; appropriate, take over, acquire something (in an unfair way).
47. appropriation (noun) – obtaining, gaining, earning, winning, securing.
48. centre-left (adjective) – moderately left-wing (party).
49. secularism (noun) – the belief that religion should not have a strong influence in education or other public parts of society.
50. hamstring (verb) – restrict, cripple, hinder, obstruct, slow down (the ability or efficiency of someone/something); to make ineffective, to make powerless.
51. linguistic (adjective) – relating to language; lingual.
52. 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.

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53. as far as – is concerned (phrase) – with regard to a particular person or situation.
54. non-starter (noun) – failure, fiasco, catastrophe/mess.
55. rhetoric (noun) – the art of speaking or writing effectively & persuasively or impressively (but, often lacking substance); bombast, loftiness, hyperbole/extravagant language.
56. claimant (noun) – candidate.
57. fashion (verb) - construct, build, make, create.
58. surge (noun) – sudden rise.
59. greenfield (noun) – new facility; relating to the new (production) facility that has never been used for any development (whereas brownfield means existing facility).
60. Greenfield States (noun) - (In India) Uttar Pradesh (UP), Bihar, Haryana, (Madhya Pradesh (MP), Himachal Pradesh (HP), Jammu & Kashmir and Jharkhand.
61. crystallise (verb) – become clear, become definite, take shape.
62. novel (adjective) – new, different.
63. burnish (verb) – improve, enhance, augment/make better.
64. cultivate (verb) – improve, better, refine, elevate.
65. buy-in (noun) - agreement, acceptance of something (an idea/decision) that someone suggests.
66. mute (verb) – restrain, subdue, silence, tone down.
67. precedent (noun) – model, exemplar, example, pattern; previous example/instance, prior instance.
68. retract (verb) – take back, withdraw, renounce, disown.
69. turn of the century (phrase) - it refers to the transition (change) from one century to another.
70. instrument (noun) – medium, mechanism, factor, channel, means (to achieve/attain something).
71. co-opt (verb) – subsume, incorporate, integrate.
72. elite (noun) – high society people; the group of most powerful people in a society.
73. proximity (noun) – nearness, presence, closeness.
74. valley (noun) – a low area between hills or mountains typically with a river running through it.
75. build on (phrasal verb) – develop, enhance, expand on.
76. fertile (adjective) – productive, high-yielding; resourceful, constructive.

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78. freewheeling (adjective) – not limited by rules/customs; unconstrained, uninhibited.
79. ethnic (adjective) – relating to a population subgroup (cultural, national, traditional/folk) with a common national or cultural tradition.
80. patronage (noun) – support, backing, protection.
81. long-standing (adjective) – persistent, continuing (for a long time).
82. even as (phrase) - while, at the same time that, at the very moment that.
83. flailing (adjective) – floundering, struggling, stumbling, blundering.
84. rationale (noun) – reason, logic, grounds, basis, motive.
85. ground (verb) - prohibit, prevent.
86. usurper (noun) – a person who takes control of somebody's office/position of power by force or without having the legal right.
87. take over (phrasal verb) – assume control of, take control of, gain control of, take charge of, take command of.
88. fiery (adjective) - strong, powerful, vigorous.
89. mantle (noun) – role, responsibility, position, task, job.
90. feckless (adjective) - useless, worthless, incompetent, inefficient.
91. design (verb) – create, plan, formulate.
92. groundswell (noun) – the sudden increase of a certain feeling/opinion among a large section of people.
93. defection (noun) – desertion, absconding, decamping.
94. eventually (adverb) – in the end, finally, at last.
95. be hard put to it (phrase) - find it very difficult to do something.
96. pocket (noun) – a small area.
97. arena (noun) – sphere of action, sphere of activity.
98. bank on (phrasal verb) – rely on, depend on; anticipate, expect.
99. compromise (noun) – agreement, understanding, settlement.
100. fall short of (phrase) – fail to meet/reach; be deficient/inadequate/insufficient.
101. forge (verb) – form, create, establish, set up.
102. as to (phrase) - concerning, with respect to, on the subject of, regarding.
103. stream (noun) – a continuous flow of something.
104. goodwill (noun) – compassion; cooperation, collaboration, friendliness, mutual support.

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105. put to use (phrase) - utilize/use something (to suit a specific purpose/need).
106. in the event of something (phrase) – if something happens.
107. mandate (noun) – approval, acceptance, endorsement, authority (given by a constituency to someone acting as its representative).
108. downside (noun) – drawback, disadvantage, stumbling block.
109. battered (adjective) – damaged, spoiled, impaired/ruined; smashed, hit repeatedly.
110. dormant (adjective) – inactive, passive, inoperative.
111. add to (phrasal verb) - increase, magnify, amplify, intensify, heighten.
112. yearning (noun) – longing, craving, desire/wish, appetite.
113. ruefully (adverb) - regretfully, sorrowfully.
114. in line with (phrase) – in alignment with, in accordance with, conforming to.
115. lay down (phrasal verb) – formulate, stipulate, set down, draw up, frame.
116. root (noun) – origins, beginnings; basic cause of something.
117. engineer (verb) – bring about, cause, mastermind, orchestrate.
118. craft (verb) – exercise skill in making something.
119. narrative (noun) – a representation of a particular situation; portrayal/account.
120. blanket (adjective) – outright, overall, general, total, complete, extensive, widespread.
121. privilege (verb) – give a privilege/advantage.
122. coherent (adjective) – logical, reasonable, rational, well organized, systematic, clear.
123. manoeuvre (noun) - activity, plan/operation, stratagem, tactic (carefully planned).
124. parlance (noun) - the type of language that people in a particular profession use when they talk/speak; the way of speaking (using words) by a particular group of people; jargon, manner of speaking, vocabulary, vernacular, terminology, slang.
125. dazzle (noun) – brightness, flash, shimmer, radiance, shine.
126. periodic (adjective) – regular, recurrent, repeated, cyclical.
127. see off (phrasal verb) – deal with, tackle, handle someone/something successfully; defeat, overcome, crush.
128. encroachment (noun) – appropriation, infiltration, intrusion, invasion.

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