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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (AUG 18, 2022)

1. **geopolitics** (noun) – the study of the geographical factors (a country's position on the earth, size, climate, and natural resources & etc.) in world politics and inter-state relations.
2. **hegemony** (noun) – leadership, dominance, authority, control, power.
3. **delegate** (noun) – representative, member.
4. **scholar** (noun) - academic, intellectual, learned person, clever person, intellect.
5. **dreaded** (adjective) – frightening, terrible, terrifying.
6. **stare** (verb) – look fixedly, gaze, watch closely.
7. **shelling** (noun) – bombing, attacking, firing (with shells).
8. **unprecedented** (adjective) – not done or experienced before.
9. **drill** (noun) – (military) training, exercises.
10. **scare away** (phrasal verb) – scare off, keep away, drive away/off, drive out, put to flight, send away.
11. **retreat** (noun) – withdrawal, pulling back, backdown, retraction, about-face, U-turn.
12. **People's Liberation Army (PLA)** (noun) – People's Liberation Army (PLA) is the armed forces of the country of China and the Communist Party of China (CPC). It is one of the largest military forces in the world.
13. **Taiwan strait** (noun) – it is a 180-kilometer strait (waterway) separating the island of Taiwan and continental Asia (precisely southeastern coast of mainland China).
14. **strait** (noun) – a narrow sea passage (connecting two seas); channel, stretch of water, waterway.
15. **Seventh Fleet** (noun) – Established on March 15, 1943, it is the largest forward-deployed U.S. fleet with 60 to 70 ships, 300 aircraft and 40,000 Navy and Marine Corps personnel. (“the fleet” means a country’s navy).
16. **buffer** (noun) – shield, barrier.
17. **shell** (verb) - bombard, bomb, pound, attack.
18. **trigger** (verb) – cause, give rise to, lead to, bring about, generate.
19. **geopolitical** (adjective) – relating to (the study of) the geographical factors (a country's position on the earth, size, climate, and natural resources &, etc.) in world politics and inter-state relations.
20. **dynamics** (noun) – basic/fundamental cause or force that triggers change within a system.

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21. **Soviet Republic** (noun) – The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (also known as the USSR or the Soviet Union) consisted of Russia and 14 surrounding countries. The USSR's territory stretched from the Baltic states in Eastern Europe to the Pacific Ocean, including the majority of northern Asia and portions of central Asia.
22. **better** (verb) - improve, make better, ameliorate, raise, advance, upgrade, enhance.
23. **ties** (noun) – association, relationship, bond, connection.
24. **back burner** (noun) – delayed consideration of an action; A state of being postponed, deferred or given lower priority.
25. **on the back-burner** (phrase) – having low priority.
26. **compromise** (noun) – agreement, understanding, settlement.
27. **missile** (noun) – a self-propelled/rocket-propelled weapon designed to deliver a conventional/nuclear explosive warhead with great accuracy at high speed; projectile.
28. **carrier** (noun) – an aircraft carrier.
29. **de-escalate** (verb) – diminish, lessen/decrease, dwindle (the intensity of a conflict).
30. **successor** (noun) – replacement, substitute descendant.
31. **state** (noun) – country.
32. **the Cold War** (noun) – The Cold War was a state of political and military tension after World War II between powers in the Western Bloc (the United States and a group of countries) and powers in the Eastern Bloc (the Soviet Union and a group of countries).
33. **architecture** (noun) – structure, formation, composition, organization.
34. **dare** (verb) – be so bold as, be brave enough, have the courage.
35. **factor in** (verb) – include something (as a relevant element).
36. **conflict** (noun) – war, armed conflict, battle, fighting.
37. **manifestation** (noun) – display, indication, sign, evidence, proof.
38. **unleash** (verb) – let loose, release, let something go uncontrollably.
39. **White House** (noun) – The White House is where the President and First Family of the United States live and work — but it's also the People's House, where we hope all Americans feel a sense of inclusion and belonging.
40. **strategic** (adjective) – relating to achieving long-term or overall goals.
41. **ambiguity** (noun) – inexactness, doubtfulness, obscurity-opacity.
42. **ambiguous** (adjective) – arguable, debatable, equivocal, ambivalent; unclear, puzzling.
43. **succession** (noun) - the sequence of inheriting a position/post.

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44. **breakaway** (noun as modifier) – separatist, secessionist, dissenting, splinter (group/party).
45. **provocation** (noun) – annoyance, irritation, agitation, vexation; stirring, goading, prompting.
46. **incrementally** (adverb) – in an incremental way; gradually, in a step-by-step method.
47. **status quo** (noun) – the present situation, the current state, the existing state of affairs.
48. **the new normal** (phrase) – an earlier unusual situation that becomes a standard now.
49. **breach** (verb) – break, contravene, violate.
50. **vestige** (noun) – indication, sign, trace/mark.
51. **humiliation** (noun) – embarrassment, loss of pride, loss of face, shame.
52. **opium war** (noun) - the Anglo-Chinese War; one of the two wars (1839–42; 1856–60) involving Britain and China about opium (drug) trading.
53. **Chinese Communist Party (CCP)** (noun) – also known as the Communist Party of China (CPC); it is the founding and ruling political party of modern China, officially known as the People's Republic of China (PRC).
54. **imperial** (adjective) – monarchical, sovereign, authoritative, dictatorial, high-handed/domineering.
55. **civil war** (noun) – a war between organized groups within the same state or country.
56. **arguably** (adverb) – possibly, conceivably, maybe, potentially.
57. **compromise** (verb) – undermine, weaken, damage.
58. **legacy** (noun) – something received from a predecessor or from the past.
59. **contrary** (noun) – opposite, reverse, inverse, antithesis.
60. **on the contrary** (phrase) – conversely, in contrast, just the opposite.
61. **go down in history** (phrase) – to do some important actions that will be remembered by many people in the future (or) to have some important events that will be recorded in history.
62. **superpower** (noun) – a very powerful and dominant country. This is done through the combined means of economic, military, technological, political and cultural strength as well as diplomatic and soft power influence.
63. **hemisphere** (noun) – a circle drawn around the Earth divides it into two equal halves called hemispheres.

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64. **Eastern hemisphere** (noun) – it refers to the area of the Earth east of the prime meridian and west of the International Date Line. This includes much of Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia, and the islands of Oceania. A map centered on the Eastern Hemisphere will have the Indian Ocean basin at the center.
65. **Western Hemisphere** (noun) - it refers to the area of the Earth west of the prime meridian and east of the International Date Line. This includes the Americas. (The international date line passes through the mid-Pacific Ocean).
66. **baltic sea** (noun) - it is a part of the North Atlantic Ocean, situated in Northern Europe. The Baltic Sea is surrounded by nine countries: Denmark, Germany, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Russia, Finland and Sweden.
67. **shore up** (phrasal verb) – support, help, assist someone/something from ; bolster up, buttress, strengthen, fortify, reinforce, underpin something from decline.
68. **stature** (noun) - standing, reputation, status, position, image.
69. **under someone's thumb** (phrase) – under someone's influence, under someone's control.
70. **given** (preposition) – considering, taking into account, bearing in mind.
71. **topography** (noun) – landscape/terrain, surroundings, environment.
72. **contiguity** (noun) – the condition/quality of bordering with something; closeness, nearness, proximity.
73. **counterproductive** (adjective) – harmful, damaging, dangerous/destructive.
74. **misadventurous** (adjective) - unfortunate, unlucky.
75. **persuasive** (adjective) – convincing, effective, compelling, potent, forceful, eloquent, impressive, influential, sound, valid, powerful, strong, winning.
76. **in one's favour** (phrase) – to one's benefit/advantage.
77. **window of opportunity** (phrase) – lucky chance, good time, golden opportunity.
78. **entanglement** (noun) - muddle, mix-up, confusion, shambles.
79. **The Indo-Pacific (region)** (noun) – the Indo-Pacific region refers to the confluence (convergence) of the Pacific and Indian Oceans, which interconnect in Southeast Asia (Indonesia, Vietnam, Thailand, Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, and more).
80. **in place** (phrase) - ready, established, arranged, in order, all set.
81. **front line** (noun) - battlefield, battleground, field of battle, combat zone.

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