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WORD LIST-1 (SEP 22, 2022)

1. troops (noun) - armed forces, forces, soldiers.
2. mobilisation (noun) – the act of bringing forces/people/resources together for a particular cause.
3. setback (noun) – problem, difficulty, issue.
4. irrationality (noun) – illogicality, unreasonableness, impracticality.
5. mark (verb) – indicate, signify, represent, denote.
6. acknowledgement (noun) – acceptance, admission, recognition.
7. readiness (noun) – preparedness, willingness, inclination.
8. escalate (verb) – increase, intensify, accelerate, heighten, deepen, make more serious.
9. de-escalate (verb) – diminish, lessen/decrease, dwindle (the intensity of a conflict).
10. conflict (noun) – war, armed conflict, battle, fighting.
11. objective (noun) – intention, purpose, intent, goal, aim.
12. mobilise (verb) – (of forces/people/resources) bring together for a specific cause.
13. thrust (noun) – a forceful attack; assault, offensive, onslaught, invasion, incursion, blitz.
14. front (noun) – position, direction.
15. quite (adjective) – somewhat, relatively, comparatively.
16. forces (noun) – troops; armed forces, soldiers.
17. back (verb) - support, defend, stand by, help, assist.
18. slow down (phrasal verb) – reduce, lessen, decrease.
19. advances (noun) – progress, headway, moving forward, forward movement.
20. invasion (noun) – attack, offensive, onslaught, incursion, assault.
21. costly (adjective) – ruinous, disastrous, devastating, crippling, damaging, harmful, woeful, awful, terrible, unfortunate.
22. withdraw (verb) - disengage, depart, leave, retreat, pull back, pull out (of military troops from an area of conflict).
23. Kyiv (proper noun) – Capital of Ukraine.
24. Kharkiv (proper noun) – a city in northeast Ukraine.
25. territorial (adjective) – relating to a particular territory (area/region).
26. suffer (verb) - experience, undergo, experience, face, encounter (something bad or unpleasant).
27. oblast (noun) – an administrative division or region in Russia and the former Soviet Union, and in some Slavic countries.

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28. retreat (verb) - disengage, depart, leave, withdraw, pull back, pull out (of military troops from an area of conflict).
29. in the face of (phrase) – despite, notwithstanding, regardless of; when confronted with.
30. lightning (adjective) – quick, fast, swift, rapid, expeditious.
31. counter-offensive (noun) – counter-attack.
32. quicken (verb) – accelerate, speed up, expedite, hasten.
33. Kremlin (noun) – The name “Kremlin” means “fortress inside a city”, and is often also used metonymically to refer to the official residence of the President of the Russian Federation in a similar sense to how “White House” refers to the Executive Office of the President of the United States; Kremlin is a fortified complex in the center of Moscow city. (Metonym is used as an alternative for something else with which it is closely related/associated).
34. move (noun) - movement, activity.
35. consolidate (verb) – strengthen, reinforce, fortify, buttress, underpin, bolster up, defend.
36. pro- (prefix) – supporting.
37. separatist (noun) - secessionist, dissident, protester, sectarian, nonconformist extremist, radical, revolutionary.
38. Donbas region (noun) – a historical, cultural, and economic region in south-eastern Ukraine, some of whose territory (Donetsk and Luhansk) is occupied by two separatist groups in the course of the Russo-Ukrainian War. President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia has recognized the independence of these two separatist regions in Ukraine.
39. hold (verb) - conduct, organize, arrange.
40. referendum (noun) – public vote; a direct vote in which people cast ballots to decide on a specific issue or policy.
41. Russian Federation (noun) - commonly known as Russia; a transcontinental country spanning Eastern Europe and Northern Asia.
42. ballot (noun) – the piece of paper used to record a vote.
43. ballot (noun) – vote, poll.
44. cast (verb) - vote, register a vote, enter a vote.
45. slam/shut the door on (phrase) - to refuse to consider/accept something (an idea, plan, solution, etc.); deny, reject, decline, spurn, dismiss (an idea/plan/solution).
46. escalation (noun) – intensification, aggravation, exacerbation.

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47. in the first place (phrase) - at the beginning.
48. conscription (noun) – compulsory enlistment for military service.
49. unpopular (adjective) – unfamous, disliked, hated, loathed.
50. demilitarization (noun) – disarmament, arms control, limitation or reduction of arms, deactivation of military weapons, decommissioning (of arms/weapons).
51. reinvigorate (verb) – revive, re-energize, rejuvenate; fortify, strengthen.
52. reinvigorated (adjective) – revived, re-energized, rejuvenated; fortified, strengthened/strong
53. North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) (noun) – NATO was created in 1949 by the United States, Canada, and several Western European nations to provide collective security against the Soviet Union.
54. throw one's weight behind (phrase) - to use one's power (influence) to support someone/something.
55. collective (adjective) – common, shared, joint, combined.
56. take in (phrasal verb) – include, incorporate, embody, encompass.
57. acknowledge (verb) – accept, recognize, realize.
58. dial up (phrasal verb) – increase, rise (the intensity of something).
59. dial down (phrasal verb) – reduce, lessen, decrease (the intensity of something).
60. the best of something (phrase) - used to refer to something very good.
61. at war (phrase) - engaged in a war.
62. the West (noun) – The Western world/civilization consisting of the majority of Europe & the North America.
63. sanctions (noun) – action taken, or an order given to force a country to obey international laws by limiting or stopping trade with that country, by not allowing economic aid for that country, etc.
64. 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.
65. the way forward (phrase) – something (a plan/action) that leads to success in the future.
66. certainty (noun) – assurance.
67. trigger (verb) – cause, give rise to, lead to, bring about, generate.
68. far more (phrase) - much more.

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