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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (JUN 20, 2022)

1. Environmental Performance Index (EPI) (noun) – The EPI offers a scorecard that highlights leaders and laggards in environmental performance and provides practical guidance for countries that aspire to move toward a sustainable future. Overall EPI rankings indicate which countries are best addressing the environmental challenges that every nation faces.
2. rankle (verb) – annoy, upset/irritate; continue to be painful/fester.
3. recast (verb) - correct, alter, change.
4. ought to (modal verb) – must, should.
5. dashboard (noun) – a pictorial summary/overview.
6. indicator (noun) - value, index, measure, norm.
7. model (verb) – follow, take as an example of.
8. acutely (adverb) – extremely, seriously.
9. touch the raw nerve (phrase) – provoke a strong reaction by referring to a sensitive subject.
10. carry out (phrasal verb) – conduct, perform, implement, execute.
11. emphasis (noun) – importance, significance; priority, insistence.
12. climate change (noun) – a long-term change in the Earth's climate, or of a region on Earth (Courtesy: NASA).
13. mitigation (noun) – alleviation, reduction; lessening.
14. 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. (Courtesy: VOA Learning English).
15. industrialized (adjective) - developed (countries).
16. evidently (adverb) - clearly, visibly, discernibly, noticeably.
17. assign (verb) - decide on, determine, specify; designate, set aside, set apart.
18. rather than (phrase) – instead of.
19. measure (verb) – evaluate, estimate, determine.
20. decade (noun) – a period of ten years.
21. fare (verb) – do, perform, get on.
22. dwell on (phrasal verb) – to think, speak or write about a specific thing for a long time, especially something that is a source of sadness or displeasure.

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23. waste management (noun) – waste management is the activities and actions required to manage waste from its inception to its disposal. This includes the collection, transport, treatment and disposal of waste, together with monitoring and regulation of the waste management process.
24. ecological (adjective) – relating to the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment.
25. conservation (noun) – preservation, protection, careful management (of the natural resources).
26. measure (noun) – action, step, procedure.
27. unsurprisingly (adverb) – in a way that is expected.
28. unfounded (adjective) – groundless, baseless, unjustified.
29. assumption (noun) - theory, concept, premise, idea.
30. surmise (noun) – prediction, guesswork, notion, opinion/thought.
31. weightage (noun) – importance, significance, value.
32. calculation (noun) – computation, reckoning, estimation, assessment, projection, prediction, expectation.
33. Ecosystem Vitality (noun) - The Ecosystem Vitality policy objective measures how well countries are preserving, protecting, and enhancing ecosystems and the services they provide. It comprises 60% of the total EPI score and is made up of seven issue categories: Biodiversity & Habitat, Ecosystem Services, Fisheries, Climate Change, Pollution Emissions, Agriculture, and Water Resources.
34. Environmental Health (noun) - Environmental Health is the branch of public health that focuses on the interrelationships between people and their environment, promotes human health and well-being, and fosters healthy and safe communities.
35. ambitious (adjective) – formidable, difficult, challenging, demanding.
36. Paris Agreement/Accord (noun) – The Paris Agreement builds upon the Convention (agreement) and for the first time brings all nations into a common cause to undertake ambitious efforts to combat climate change and adapt to its effects, with enhanced support to assist developing countries to do so. The Paris Agreement central aim is to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by keeping a global temperature rise this century well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius.

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37. rigorous (adjective) - strict, severe, extreme.
38. per-capita (adjective) – relating to each person; per person, for each, individual.
39. index (noun) – an (economic) data figure reflecting something (e.g. price/quantity) compared with a standard or base value; pointer, indicator.
40. 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).
41. account for (phrasal verb) – constitute, make up, comprise, form, compose, represent.
42. residual (adjective) – remaining, leftover; lingering, lasting, enduring, abiding, persisting.
43. projection (noun) – forecast, prediction, calculation.
44. fault (verb) - criticize, attack, censure, condemn, complain about, find fault with.
45. metric (noun) – a standard of measurement.
46. weight (noun) – value, importance, significance.
47. stand (verb) – be in a particular situation (where one is likely to do/get something).
48. tenet (noun) – principle, doctrine, rule.
49. equity (noun) – fairness, justness, neutrality, lack of bias, impartiality.
50. framework (noun) – structure, scheme/system, organisation.
51. make strides (phrase) – make progress, make headway, gain ground, progress, advance.
52. renewable energy (noun) – clean energy, green energy; energy generated from natural resources (such as water, wind & solar energy).
53. carbon sink (noun) – also known as carbon sequestration; a natural environment (forest or reservoir) which absorbs and stores carbon (greenhouse gases) from the atmosphere and thereby maintain a balance. (carbon sequestration is the process by which the forest removes and stores carbon from the atmosphere).

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54. wetland (noun) – an area of land that is saturated with water; areas where water covers the soil, or is present either at or near the surface of the soil all year or for varying periods of time during the year, including during the growing season.
55. Protected Areas Representativeness Index (PARI) (noun) - The Protected Areas Representativeness Index (PARI) indicator measures how well terrestrial protected areas represent the ecological diversity of a country. This metric is calculated by CSIRO using high-resolution remote sensing data and biological records of species' locations. (The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) is an Australian Government agency responsible for scientific research. CSIRO works with leading organisations around the world).
56. India State of Forest Report (ISFR) (noun) - India State of Forest Report (ISFR) is a biennial publication of Forest Survey of India (FSI) an organization under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC).
57. factor in (verb) – include something (as a relevant element).
58. biodiversity (noun) – the existence of a number and variety of species (plants & animals) in a particular geographic region/environment.
59. on the face of it (phrase) - at first glance, outwardly, apparently.
60. abysmally (adverb) – very badly, awfully, woefully, hopelessly, poorly, inadequately, appallingly, pathetically, shockingly.
61. variable (noun) – something (an element/feature/factor) that is liable to vary or change.
62. Marine Protected Area (MPA) (noun) - a marine protected area (MPA) is a section of the ocean where a government has placed limits on human activity. Many MPAs allow people to use the area in ways that do not damage the environment.
63. given (preposition) – considering, taking into account, bearing in mind.
64. biome (noun) - an area of land with a similar climate that includes similar communities of plants and animals. Different terrestrial biomes are usually defined in terms of their plants, such as trees, shrubs, and grasses. There are eight major terrestrial biomes: tropical rainforests, savannas, subtropical deserts, chaparral, temperate grasslands, temperate forests, boreal forests, and Arctic tundra. The same biome can occur in different geographic locations with similar climates.

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65. put pressure on (phrase) – affect something; push for something.
66. faulty (adjective) – bad, deficient, defective, imperfect, inferior.
67. species (noun) – living things (organisms); A group/breed/family of living organisms (animals & plants) with the individual having the same quality & can breed (in nature).
68. habitat (noun) – natural environment, natural territory, natural surroundings, natural terrain, home; habitation, place of residence, house, dwelling (place), abode.
69. run into (phrasal verb) – experience, encounter, be faced with, be confronted with.
70. perceived (adjective) – supposed, regarded, considered.
71. rely on (phrasal verb) – depend on; resort to, have recourse to.
72. imagery (noun) – visual images as a whole.
73. ecologist (noun) – an expert in ecology (the branch of biology which studies the interactions among organisms and their environment).
74. point out (phrasal verb) – identify, draw attention to, indicate, specify, mention.
75. agglomeration (noun) – assemblage, cluster; accumulation.
76. led past participle of lead to (verb) – result in, cause, bring on, bring about, give rise to.
77. difference (noun) - variation, divergence, imbalance.
78. laggard (noun/adjective) – slower, delayer, snail, loiterer, lingerer (than expected).
79. tropical (adjective) – relating to the region of the Earth near to the equator and between the Tropic of Cancer in the northern hemisphere and the Tropic of Capricorn in the southern hemisphere.
80. broadleaf (adjective) - non-coniferous; relating to trees or shrubs having relatively wide flat leaves.
81. coniferous (adjective) - relating to trees or shrubs having cones and evergreen leaves.
82. montane (adjective) – relating to or inhabiting mountainous regions.
83. xeric (adjective) - very dry.
84. geographical (adjective) – zonal, territorial, topical.
85. optimal (adjective) – most favourable, optimum, ideal, perfect.
86. bring up the rear (phrase) - be at the very end of a line/rank.

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87. particulate matter (PM) (noun) – a mixture of extremely small (hazardous) solid particles and liquid droplets found in the air.
88. Volatile Organic Compounds (noun) - Volatile organic compounds are compounds that have a high vapor pressure and low water solubility. Many VOCs are human-made chemicals that are used and produced in the manufacture of paints, pharmaceuticals, and refrigerants.
89. uncertainty (noun) – unpredictability, unreliability, riskiness/precariousness.
90. inventory (noun) – a complete list of items (in stock); list, listing, catalogue, directory, record, register.
91. foulest (adjective) - very contaminated, polluted, adulterated, infected, impure, filthy, dirty, unclean.
92. unfettered (adjective) – unrestrained, unrestricted, unconstrained, free, unchecked, unconfined, uncontrolled.
93. attribute (verb) – ascribe, assign, hold responsible for, connect with, associate with.
94. reiterate (verb) – repeat, say again, restate.
95. literature (noun) – reports, studies.
96. commentary (noun) – explanation, interpretation, analysis, comments.
97. Lancet (noun) – a weekly peer-reviewed general medical journal. It is among the world's oldest and best-known general medical journals.
98. instrument (noun) – apparatus, mechanism, means, medium, vehicle.
99. regulatory (adjective) – organizational, managerial, supervisory.
100. mitigate (verb) – alleviate, reduce, diminish, lessen.
101. centralised (adjective) – controlled by a single authority.
102. drive (verb) – prompt, impel, propel.
103. substantial (adjective) – considerable, important, significant, meaningful, valuable.
104. handicap (noun) - impediment, hindrance, obstacle, barrier.
105. common but differentiated responsibilities (CBDR) (noun) – The concept of Common But Differentiated Responsibilities (CBDR) was enshrined as Principle 7 of the Rio Declaration at the first Rio Earth Summit in 1992. a principle within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) that acknowledges the differing responsibilities of individual countries in addressing climate change.

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106. Common But Differentiated Responsibilities and Respective Capabilities (CBDR-RC) (noun) - Common but Differentiated Responsibilities and Respective Capabilities (CBDR-RC) is a principle within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) that acknowledges the different capabilities and differing responsibilities of individual countries in addressing climate change.
107. profile (noun) – description, outline, account, portrait, portrayal, depiction; summary of details.
108. carbon budget (noun) – the cumulative amount of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions permitted over a period of time to keep within a certain temperature threshold (upper limit).
109. green (adjective) – environmentally friendly, ecologically sound, energy-efficient, clean.
110. prevailing (adjective) – existing.
111. commons (noun) - resources belonging to the entire community.
112. pedestrianisation (noun) – it can be defined as to restrict vehicle access to a street or area for exclusive use of pedestrians.
113. phaseout (noun as modifier) – a process of discontinuing something in phases.
114. lock-in effect (noun) – it is a practice, where a company makes it extremely hard for their customers to leave them/switch to a new provider, even if the customer wants to.
115. disaggregated (adjective) – separated, divided; relating to a disaggregated data.
116. deployment (noun) – the bringing of resources into effective action.
117. reliance (noun) – dependence.
118. in the short term (phrase) – in the (near) future.

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