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WORD LIST-2 (MAY 29, 2023)

1. margin (noun) – an unimportant or powerless position within a society or group.
2. challenging (adjective) - demanding, testing, taxing, difficult, tough.
3. in a row (phrase) - consecutively, successively, straight, on the trot, in succession.
4. Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) (noun) – The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) is India's premier central recruiting agency. The agency's charter is granted by Articles 315 to 323 of Part XIV of the constitution, titled as *Services Under the Union and the States*. Under Article 320 of the Constitution of India, the Union Public Service Commission is required to be consulted on all matters relating to recruitment to civil services and posts.
5. secure (verb) – obtain, acquire, get (with difficulty).
6. spectacular (adjective) - very impressive, magnificent, splendid, superb.
7. pinnacle (noun) – high point, highest point, high rank, peak, upper limit
8. read up (on) (phrasal verb) – study intensively.
9. at length (phrase) - in detail, in depth, thoroughly, completely, fully.
10. draining (adjective) - exhausting, taxing, fatiguing, wearying, discouraging, dispiriting.
11. reflection (noun) – belief, impression, opinion, thought, viewpoint.
12. persevere (verb) – not give up, continue, carry on, keep going, persist.
13. against all odds (phrase) - if you do/achieve something against all odds, you do/achieve it despite (it) appeared impossible or very unlikely.
14. empathetic (adjective)
– compassionate/humane, sympathetic, understanding.
15. ecosystem (noun) – complex situation/environment.
16. pointer (noun) – tip, hint, guideline, suggestion; indicator.
17. commitment (noun) – dedication, devotion.
18. environment (noun) – situation, atmosphere, backdrop, setting.

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19. fulfil (verb) - succeed in, attain, realize.
20. give up (phrasal verb) – stop trying, lose heart, abandon hope; stop, discontinue, renounce, forgo, abandon.
21. patriarchal (adjective) – relating to cultures or societies that are controlled/headed by men.
22. Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) (noun) – Economically Weaker Section (EWS) or Economically Backward Classes (EBC) in India is a subcategory of people belonging to the General Category having an annual family income less than ₹8 lakh and who do not belong to any category such as SC/ST/OBC across India, nor to MBC in Tamil Nadu.
23. fill the gap (noun) – provide something that is missing.
24. needy (adjective) – poor/poverty-stricken, underprivileged, impoverished.
25. field (noun) – area of activity, sphere of activity; department, sector, domain.
26. diverse (adjective) – relating to existence/presence of different people (from a variety of backgrounds and perspectives ranging from race to age to gender to hometown to educational experience) within group.
27. contend with (phrasal verb) – deal with, cope with, face, grapple with (a difficult or unpleasant situation).
28. prejudice (noun) – bias, partiality, favouritism, unfairness, discrimination.
29. adverse (adjective) – dangerous, harmful, detrimental, unhealthy; unfavourable, disadvantageous, bad.
30. circumstances (noun) – context, conditions, state of affairs.
31. trailblazer (noun) – pioneer, innovator, groundbreaker, pathfinder, spearhead, trendsetter, avant-gardist.
32. as is (phrase) – as it is; in the present condition/state.
33. norm (noun) – standard, convention, criterion, benchmark, formula/pattern.

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34. have an ear to the ground (phrase) – to be aware of what is happening around you, particularly current events & trends.
35. campaign (noun) – an organized effort which seeks to influence the decision making progress within a specific group.
36. Right to Education (RTE) Act (noun) – the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act or Right to Education Act (RTE) is an Act, of the Parliament of India enacted on 4 August 2009 under Article 21-A in the Constitution of India, which provides free and compulsory education of all children in the age group of six to fourteen years as a Fundamental Right.
37. steel frame (noun) – civil servants; The first Home Minister of Independent India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel addressed the probationers of Administrative Services Officers in 1947 at Metcalf House, Delhi, he referred to civil servants as the ‘steel frame of India’.
38. well-being (noun) – healthy state/condition; welfare, happiness, fortune, success.
39. find oneself (phrase) – to be in a specific frame of mind.
40. on the margins (phrase) – to be on the margins of a society, group, or activity means to be among the least important parts of it.

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