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ADVANCED WORD LIST-1 (MAY 27, 2023)

1. sedition (noun) – incitement (to riot/rebellion), agitation, trouble making/provocation (against the established government/authority).
2. rudeness (noun) – discourtesy, impoliteness, lack of manners.
3. offence (noun) – crime, illegal/unlawful act, wrongdoing.
4. annul (verb) – reverse, cancel, withdraw, repeal, nullify, invalidate, quash, abolish.
5. embarrassingly (adverb) – humiliatingly, undignifiedly, shamefully, disgracefully.
6. detainee (noun) – prisoner, convict, inmate.
7. mischief (noun) – bad behaviour, misconduct, mischievousness, perversity.
8. deface (verb) – damage, impair, disfigure, vandalise, disfigure.
9. Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 (noun) – An Act for the regulation of Printing-presses and Newspapers, for the preservation of copies of books (and newspapers) printed in (India), and for the registration of such books (and newspapers).
10. strike down (phrasal verb) – abolish, annul, nullify (a law or regulation).
11. Section 124A of the IPC (noun) – Section 124A of the Indian Penal Code lays down the punishment for sedition.
12. Indian Penal Code (IPC) (noun) – The Indian Penal Code (IPC) is the official criminal code of India. It is a comprehensive code intended to cover all substantive aspects of criminal law. The draft was passed into law on 6 October 1860. The Code came into operation on 1 January 1862. The Indian Penal Code of 1860, subdivided into 23 chapters, comprises 511 sections. IPC deals with crimes and punishments.
13. disaffection (noun) – dissatisfaction, discontent, disgruntlement, discord, hostility.
14. abeyance (noun) – a state of being inactive/suspended/inoperative temporarily; a state of dormancy; temporary halt/postponement. (It is mostly used in the phrase “in abeyance” with the word “in”).
15. reverence (noun) – respect, veneration, esteem, regard.
16. espouse (verb) – adapt (an idea or a belief or a cause); embrace, accept, support, back, welcome, take up, promote, favour, defend.
17. thriving (adjective) – growing.
18. blasphemy (noun) – the action or behaviour of someone which is not respectful of religious practice; irreligious, ungodly, unholy action/behaviour.

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19. secular (adjective) – non-religious.
20. bail (noun) – conditional, temporary release of an arrested/imprisoned person when a specified amount of security is deposited or pledged (as cash or property) to ensure his/her appearance in court when required.
21. revoke (verb) – invalidate, reverse, cancel, nullify, repeal.
22. constitutional court (noun) – The Supreme Court of India is the supreme judicial body of India and the highest court of India under the constitution. It is the most senior constitutional court, and has the power of judicial review. The high courts that deal primarily with constitutional law are also called as the constitutional courts.
23. leap forward (phrasal verb) – advance, step forward, step ahead, progress, breakthrough.
24. rail at (verb) – complain strongly and persistently about.
25. sullen (noun) – joyless, angry, resentful.
26. old-fashioned (adjective) – antiquated, archaic, antique, ancient; outdated, out of date, outmoded.
27. hierarchical (adjective) – relating to the hierarchy (social order/ranking).
28. precipice (noun) – a dangerous situation; a very steep cliff on a mountain.
29. French Revolution (noun) – a watershed event in modern European history that began in 1789 and ended in the late 1790s. During this period, French citizens razed and redesigned their country's political landscape, uprooting centuries-old institutions such as absolute monarchy and the feudal system.
30. proscribe (verb) – ban, prohibit, forbid (by law).
31. obligatory (adjective) – conclusive, required, essential, binding, imperative, unalterable; obligatory, mandatory, necessary.
32. fraternity (noun) – brotherhood, fellowship, kinship, friendship, companionship, support, mutual support, solidarity, community, union, togetherness.
33. capitalism (noun) – an economic system based on private ownership; private enterprise, private ownership.
34. hierarchy (noun) – pecking order, ranking, class system; arrangement, classification.
35. in substance (phrase) – essentially, fundamentally, basically, primarily, actually, in reality.

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36. ostensible (adjective) – alleged, supposed, so-called, claimed, professed, reported.
37. appropriate (verb) - seize a position of power by force (or without legal right); take over, expropriate, usurp, commandeer, wrest, grab, claim, steal
38. edgy (adjective) – uneasy, unstable, unsettled, restive, insecure.
39. shove (verb) - force, push, press roughly.
40. heckle (verb) – harass, taunt, tease, needle.
41. arbitrary (adjective) – capricious, personal (whim/choice), random, erratic/irregular.
42. citizenry (noun) – all the people/citizens (of a place/country considered as a whole).
43. attendant (adjective) – accompanying, associated, related, connected, resultant, consequent.
44. explicitly (adverb) – absolutely, directly, clearly, categorically, conclusively, unconditionally, unequivocally, unambiguously, unqualifiedly, outright.
45. mirror (verb) – imitate, copy, reproduce, mimic, echo.
46. prosecute (verb) – take to court, bring an action against, take legal action against, accuse, charge.
47. emanate (verb) – emerge, ensue, come out, arise, originate.
48. inferior (adjective) – subordinate, less important.
49. reigning (adjective) – ruling, present, current, existing.
50. narrative (noun) – a representation of a particular situation; portrayal, account, description, statement.
51. defacement (noun) – damage, impairment, disfigurement, vandalism, disfiguration.
52. graffiti (noun) – pictures or words painted or drawn on a wall, building, etc.
53. entrenched (adjective) – (of an idea, attitude or habit) strongly fixed and cannot be changed; ingrained, established, well established, deep-seated, deep-rooted; irremovable, indelible, ineradicable.
54. entangled (adjective) – intertwined, muddled; complicated, confused.
55. defamatory (adjective) – defaming, abusive, mud-slinging, disparaging, insulting.
56. unmediated (adjective) – having no intervening persons/agents.
57. vociferously (adverb) – clearly, distinctly, vocally, outspokenly.

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58. innocuous (adjective) – harmless, unharmful, non-dangerous, non-poisonous, undamaging, safe; unobjectionable, inoffensive.
59. call out (phrasal verb) – to publicly criticize someone; find fault with, censure, denounce.
60. the establishment (noun) – the government, the administration, the regime, the authorities, the powers that be.
61. terminology (noun) – terms, expressions, words, language, parlance.
62. chilling (adjective) – frightening, terrifying, disturbing/horrifying.
63. freedom of speech (noun) – the right to express opinions without government interference.
64. tangent (noun) – a sudden and entirely different discussion, argument, thinking, reasoning or activity (deviating from the main subject/topic/task).
65. homogenized (adjective) – made similar; made uniform.
66. decry (verb) – criticize, denounce, condemn.
67. cavalier (adjective) – “casual, indifferent, dismissive, uninterested, unconcerned (about serious/important matter).
68. catch phrase (noun) – slogan, motto, mantra, rallying cry, catchline, catchword.
69. rule of law (phrase) – it is described as “a principle of governance in which all persons, institutions and entities, public and private, including the State itself, are accountable to laws that are publicly promulgated, equally enforced and independently adjudicated, and which are consistent with international human rights norms and standards.
70. out of thin air (phrase) - used to say that someone/something appears suddenly and unexpectedly; from nowhere, from nothing.

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