

WORD LIST-1 (MAR 31, 2023)

1. **disquiet** (noun) – unease, uneasiness, worry, anguish, distress, concern.
2. **down south** (phrase) – in the south side of a country.
3. **stake** (noun) - competition, contest, battle, challenge.
4. **cite** (verb) – refer to, make reference to, mention, point to.
5. **apathy** (noun) – disregard, lack of interest, indifference, unconcern.
6. **robust** (adjective) – strong, powerful.
7. **coalition** (noun) – alliance, association, union, partnership.
8. **defection** (noun) – changing sides, desertion, absconding, decamping; betrayal, disloyalty.
9. **pave the way for** (phrase) – clear the way for, make preparations for, put things in order for.
10. **engagement** (noun) - association, involvement, participation.
11. **terms of engagement** (noun) - the rules or conditions that people should obey when they deal with each other.
12. **belong** (verb) – be a member of, be associated with, be connected to (a particular group).
13. **reckon with** (phrasal verb) – take into account, take into consideration, think about, believe; deal/cope with.
14. **a force to reckon with** (phrase) – a person/thing with strong abilities and strengths cannot be ignored/underrated.
15. **placate** (verb) – appease, calm, pacify.
16. **lest** (conjunction) – in case, just in case.
17. **ruin** (verb) - destroy, impair, spoil.
18. **pitch** (verb) – words used to try to convince someone to accept something.
19. **bid** (noun) – attempt, effort, endeavour/try.
20. **traditionally** (verb) – typically, normally, commonly, habitually, routinely.
21. **drive** (verb) – prompt, urge, move, push, propel.
22. **subtext** (noun) – implicit/indirect meaning; hidden agenda; (underlying) connotation, association, hint, implication; undertone.
23. **linguistic** (adjective) – relating to language; lingual.

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24. **subnationalism** (noun) – support for a particular region within a nation instead of it for a whole nation.
25. **surface** (verb) – emerge, appear, arise, come up.
26. **occasionally** (adverb) - sometimes, now and then, from time to time,
27. **dynamics** (noun) – basic/fundamental cause or force that triggers change within a system.
28. **identity** (noun) – a social category, a set of persons marked by a label and distinguished by rules deciding membership & (alleged) characteristic features or attributes; individuality, character, originality.
29. **identity politics** (plural noun) – it is also called as identitarian politics, refers to political positions based on the interests and perspectives of social groups with which people identify. Identity politics is when people of a particular race, ethnicity, gender, or religion form alliances and organize politically to defend their group's interests.
30. **overwhelm** (verb) – affect, disturb, shake, devastate, blow away.
31. **antagonistic** (adjective) – hostile, inimical, opposed.
32. **propaganda** (noun) – the (deliberate & systemic) spreading of information (facts, ideas, rumours or lies) to influence public opinion.
33. **advance** (verb) – promote, strengthen, improve, foster; make progress.
34. **extent** (noun) – degree, range, level.
35. **deeply** (adverb) – seriously, intensely, strongly.
36. **divisive** (adjective) – alienating/isolating, disharmonious, discordant.
37. **campaign** (noun) – an organized effort which seeks to influence the decision making progress within a specific group.
38. **hijab** (noun) – a head covering, generally a veil or a scarf, worn in public by some Muslim women.
39. **inter-** (prefix) – between.
40. **inter-faith** (adjective) – between different religions; relating to members of different religions.
41. **distortion** (noun) – misrepresentation, falsification, misreporting, misstatement, manipulation.
42. **paint** (verb) - portray, depict, represent.

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43. **despot** (noun) - dictator, absolute ruler, tyrant, totalitarian, authoritarian, autocrat.
44. **counterproductive** (adjective) – harmful, damaging, dangerous, destructive.
45. **Islamist** (adjective) – relating to Islamic fundamentalism.
46. **ammunition** (noun) – points, considerations, pointers, material, information, evidence, testimony, facts, data, input (that can be used in support of one's situation in an argument/debate).
47. **ground game** (noun) – the part of a political campaign that focuses on grassroots activity. it involves to go into communities; knocking on doors to meet with constituents (voters), staging rallies, addressing various interest groups, calling homes, establishing field offices and other similar activities.
48. **will** (noun) – will power, determination, firmness of purpose, resolve, commitment.
49. **spirited** (adjective) - vibrant, energetic, vigorous, dynamic, courageous, resolute, determined, bold.
50. **ripple effect/domino effect/knock-on effect** (noun) – an event (or a process/action) that causes several other events to happen indirectly one after the other; secondary/indirect effect, consequence, implication, chain of events.
51. **face to face with someone** (phrase) – in or into direct contest; compete/confront/challenge someone directly.
52. **neutralise** (verb) – eliminate, invalidate; counteract, counterbalance.
53. **on the other hand** (phrase) – as an alternative, as another option.
54. **leave no stone unturned** (phrase) – to do every (single) thing possible in order to achieve something; not give up, be persistent/determined.
55. **toxic** (adjective) – venomous, destructive, harmful, dangerous.
56. **civil** (adjective) – polite, courteous, well mannered.
57. **adherence** (noun) – allegiance, commitment, faithfulness, obedience.
58. **model code of conduct (MCC)** (noun) – a set of guidelines meant for political parties, candidates & governments to adhere to during an election.

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