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| List of Playable 3 Letter Words (with meanings) |  |  |  |
| AAH | To express surprise > AAHS, AAHING, AAHED. | MAA | To bleat as a goat > MAAS, MAAING, MAAED. |
| AAL | An Indian shrub > AALS. | MAC | (Abbr.) mackintosh > MACS. |
| AAS | (PI.) AA, a type of lava. | MAD | Insane > MADDER, MADDEST; MADLY; (verb) to drive mad > MADS, MADDING, MADDED. |
| ABA | An outer garment worn by Arab women > ABAS. | MAE | More. |
| ABB | A textile yarn > ABBS. | MAG | To tease or chatter > MAGS, MAGGING, MAGGED. |
| ABO | An aboriginal > ABOS. | MAK | (Scots) to make > MAKS, MAKING, MADE. |
| ABS | (PI.) AB, an abdominal muscle. | MAL | (Fr.) pain, sickness > MALS. |
| ABY | To pay as a penalty > ABYS, ABYING, ABOUGHT. (ABIES exists as a fir tree). Also ABYE. | MAM | (Dial.) mother > MAMS. |
| ACE | (To play) a winning serve in tennis > ACES, ACING, ACED. | MAN | An adult human male > MEN; (verb) to provide with a (human) operator > MANS, MANNING, MANNED. |
| ACH | (Scots) interj. expressing regret or impatience. Also OCH. | MAP | A diagram of the surface of the earth, etc.; (verb) to make a map of > MAPS, MAPPING, MAPPED. |
| ACT | To do in a specified way > ACTS, ACTING, ACTED. | MAR | To spoil or damage > MARS, MARRING, MARRED or MARD. |
| ADD | To make an addition > ADDS, ADDED, ADDING. | MAS | A house or home in the south of France (pl. MAS, but MASES exists from MASE). |
| ADO | Bustle or fuss > ADOS. | MAT | To entangle > MATS, MATTING, MATTED. |
| ADS | (PI.) AD, an advertisement. | MAW | To mow > MAWS, MAWING, MAWED, MAWN. |
| ADZ | US form of adze, a cutting tool > ADZES; (verb) to dress timber with an adz > ADZING, ADZED. | MAX | (Obs.) gin, the drink; (verb) to reach the full extent > MAXES, MAXING, MAXED. |
| AFF | (Scots) off. | MAY | Hawthorn blossom; (verb) to gather may > MAYS, MAYING, MAYED. |
| AFT | Behind; near the stern of a vessel, etc. | MED | (Abbr.) medical, medicine > MEDS. |
| AGA | A Turkish commander > AGAS. | MEE | (Chinese) in Malaysia, noodles or a dish containing noodles > MEES. |
| AGE | To grow old > AGES, AGING or AGEING, AGED. | MEG | A halfpenny > MEGS. |
| AGO | Past; since. | MEH | Mediocre or boring; an expression of indifference or boredom. |
| AGS | (PI.) AG, agriculture. | MEL | Honey > MELS. |
| AHA | Interj. expressing exultation or pleasure. | MEM | A Hebrew letter > MEMS. |


| AHI | (Hawaiian) the yellowfin tuna > AHIS. | MEN | (PI.) MAN, an adult human male. |
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| AHS | (PI.) AH, an interjection. | MES | (PI.) ME, a musical note. |
| AIA | An Indian nurse-maid > AIAS. | MET | (Abbr.) meteorology > METS. |
| AID | To help or assist > AIDS, AIDING, AIDED. | MEU | The spignel plant > MEUS. |
| AIL | To be indisposed > AILS, AILING, AILED. | MEW | (Of a cat) to make a high pitched cry > MEWS, MEWING, MEWED. |
| AIM | To point or direct > AIMS, AIMING, AIMED. | MHO | A unit of electrical inductance $>$ MHOS. |
| AIN | A Hebrew letter > AINS. | MIB | A type of playing marble > MIBS. Also MIG. |
| AIR | The mixture of gases breathed by people and animals; (verb) to make known publicly > AIRS, AIRING, AIRED. | MIC | (Abbr.) MICROPHONE > MICS. |
| AIS | (PI.) AI, a kind of sloth. | MID | The middle > MIDS. |
| AIT | A small island > AITS. | MIG | A type of playing marble > MIGS. Also MIB. |
| AJI | A spicy pepper > AJIS. | MIL | A unit of wire measurement > MILS. |
| AKA | (Maori) a New Zealand vine > AKAS | MIM | Prim and proper > MIMMER, MIMMEST. |
| AKE | An old spelling of ache > AKES, AKING, AKED. | MIR | A Muslim ruler > MIRS; a Russian farming community > MIRS or MIRI. |
| ALA | An outgrowth on a fruit > ALAE (ALAS exists as an interjection). | MIS | (PI.) MI, a musical note. |
| ALB | A priest's long, white vestment > ALBS. | MIX | To mingle > MIXES, MIXING, MIXED or MIXT. |
| ALE | A kind of beer > ALES. | MIZ | (Abbr.) misery > MIZZES. |
| ALF | (Aust. sl.) an uncultivated Australian > ALFS. | MMM | an interjection expressing pleasure. |
| ALL | The whole; everything and everybody > ALLS. | MNA | A Greek unit of weight or money > MNAS. Also MANEH, MINA. |
| ALP | A mountain > ALPS. | MOA | A gigantic extinct bird > MOAS. |
| ALS | (PI.) AL, an E. Indian shrub. | MOB | A disorderly crowd; (verb) to form into a mob > MOBS, MOBBING, MOBBED. |
| ALT | A high tone > ALTS. | MOC | A moccasin > MOCS. |
| ALU | (Hindi) a potato > ALUS. | MOD | A competitive festival of Gaelic literature, music, and drama > MODS. |
| AMA | A maid > AMAS. Also AMAH. | MOE | A wry face > MOES. |
| AME | (French) a soul > AMES. | MOG | To move away > MOGS, MOGGING, MOGGED. |
| AMI | (Fr.) a friend > AMIS. | MOI | (Fr.) me, facetiously used in English. |
| AMP | (Abbr.) ampere or amplifier; (verb) to excite > AMPS, AMPING, AMPED. | MOL | A unit of molecular concentration > MOLS. Also MOLE. |
| AMU | A unit of mass > AMUS. | MOM | (US. coll.) mother > MOMS. |


| ANA | A collection of someone's table-talk > ANAS. | MON | (Japanese) a Japanese family badge or crest (pl. MON, but MONS exists in its own right as a singular, a protuberance of the body, with plural MONTES). |
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| AND | The symbol ampersand; something added > ANDS. | MOO | (Of cattle) to low > MOOS, MOOING, MOOED. |
| ANE | (Scots) one > ANES. | MOP | A sponge, etc., on a stick; (verb) to clean with a mop > MOPS, MOPPING, MOPPED. |
| ANI | A tropical American bird > ANIS. | MOR | A layer of humus > MORS. |
| ANN | (Scots) a payment to a parish minister's widow > ANNS. | MOS | (PI.) MO, a moment. |
| ANS | As in ifs and ans, things which might have happened but did not. | MOT | (Fr.) a word > MOTS. |
| ANT | A small industrious insect > ANTS. ANTED exists as the pt. of ANTE; ANTING exists as a noun. | MOU | (Scots) a mouth > MOUS. |
| ANY | Some; whichever, no matter which. | MOW | To cut the grass on > MOWS, MOWING, MOWN, MOWED. |
| APE | A monkey; (verb) to imitate > APES, APING, APED. | MOY | A coin or a measure > MOYS. |
| APO | A type of protein, short for APOLIPOPROTEIN > APOS. | MOZ | A type of curse > MOZZES. Also MOZZ. |
| APP | (Abbr.) application program > APPS. | MUD | To bury or hide in mud > MUDS, MUDDING, MUDDED. |
| APT | Suited to > APTER, APTEST; APTLY; (obs.) to adapt > APTS, APTING, APTED. | MUG | A cup with vertical sides; (verb) to attack from behind > MUGS, MUGGING, MUGGED. |
| ARB | (Abbr.) arbitrageur, a stocks and shares shyster > ARBS. | MUM | To act in a mime > MUMS, MUMMING, MUMMED. |
| ARC | To form an arc > ARCS, ARCING or ARCKING, ARCED or ARCKED. | MUN | (Dial.) man > MUNS. |
| ARD | A primitive plough > ARDS. | MUS | (PI.) MU, a Greek letter. |
| ARE | A unit of metric land measure $>$ ARES. | MUT | A mongrel, a blockhead > MUTS. Also MUTT. |
| ARF | A barking sound $>$ ARFS. | MUX | To spoil, botch > MUXES, MUXING, MUXED. |
| ARK | To place in an ark > ARKS, ARKING, ARKED. | MYC | A cancer-causing gene > MYCS. |
| ARM | A limb; a weapon; (verb) to provide with weapons > ARMS, ARMING, ARMED. | NAB | To seize > NABS, NABBING, NABBED. |
| ARS | (PI.) AR, the letter 'r'. | NAE | (Scots) no. |
| ART | The creation of works of beauty; a human skill > ARTS, ARTY. | NAG | A small horse; (verb) to worry or annoy constantly > NAGS, NAGGING, NAGGED. |
| ARY | (Dial.) any. | NAH | (Coll.) no. |
| ASH | To convert something into ash > ASHES, ASHING, ASHED. | NAM | Distraint > NAMS. Also NAAM. |
| ASK | To request, inquire or invite > ASKS, ASKING, ASKED. | NAN | Slightly leavened bread > NANS. Also NAAN. |
| ASP | A venomous snake > ASPS. | NAP | To take a short sleep > NAPS, NAPPING, NAPPED. |
| ASS | A long haired animal like a small horse; a stupid person > ASSES. | NAS | (Obs.) contraction of NE HAS, has not and NE WAS, was not. |


| ATE | Reckless ambition that drives one to ruin > ATES. | NAT | (Coll.) nationalism > NATS. |
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| ATS | (PI.) AT, a monetary unit of Laos. | NAV | (Short for) navigation > NAVS. |
| ATT | A Laotian monetary unit > ATT. No -S. | NAW | (Coll.) no. |
| AUA | (Maori) the yellow-eye mullet > AUAS. | NAY | A denial > NAYS. |
| AUE | (Maori) an exclamation of pain, distress or astonishment. No -S. | NEB | A bird's bill; (verb) to put a bill on > NEBS, NEBBING, NEBBED. |
| AUF | (Obs.) an elf's child > AUFS. | NED | A young hooligan > NEDS. |
| AUK | A type of sea-bird > AUKS. | NEE | (Of a woman) born. |
| AVA | An aromatic plant of the pepper family > AVAS. Also KAVA. | NEF | A church nave > NEFS. |
| AVE | A recitation of the prayer to the Virgin Mary > AVES. | NEG | A photographic negative > NEGS. |
| AVO | A monetary unit of Macao > AVOS. | NEK | (S. Afr.) a col, a pass in a mountain range > COLS. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { AW } \\ & \text { A } \end{aligned}$ | (Scots) away. | NEP | (Dial.) catmint, a plant attractive to cats > NEPS. |
| AWE | To strike with awe > AWES, AWING or AWEING, AWED. | NET | An open material, formed into meshes; (verb) to catch (fish) in a net > NETS, NETTING, NETTED. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{AW} \\ & \mathrm{~K} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | A programming language $>$ AWKS . | NEW | Of recent origin > NEWER, NEWEST; NEWLY; (verb, obs.) to renew > NEWS, NEWING, NEWED. |
| AWL | A pointed tool for boring > AWLS. | NIB | To provide with a nib > NIBS, NIBBING, NIBBED. |
| $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { AW } \\ \mathrm{N} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | To shelter with an awning > AWNS, AWNED, AWNING. | NID | A pheasant's nest or brood > NIDS. |
| AXE | A tool for chopping; to chop or cut down > AXES, AXING, AXED. | NIE | (Obs.) to nigh, approach > NIES, NYING, NIED. Also NYE. |
| AYE | An affirmative vote > AYES. | NIL | Nothing > NILS. |
| AYS | The plural of AY, an affirmative vote. | NIM | To take or steal > NIMS, NIMMING, NIMMED. |
| AYU | A small fish > AYUS. | NIP | A small quantity of spirits; (verb) to pinch > NIPS, NIPPING, NIPPED. |
| AZO | Containing nitrogen. | NIS | A brownie or goblin in Scandinavian folklore > NISSES. |
| BAA | To bleat as a sheep > BAAS, BAAING, BAAED. | NIT | A young louse; a fool > NITS. |
| BAC | (Abbr.) baccalaureate > BACS. | NIX | A water-sprite > NIXE or NIXES; (verb) to veto or cancel > NIXES, NIXING, NIXED. |
| BAD | Evil, wicked > BADDER, BADDEST; BADLY; (noun) something evil > BADS. | NOB | A person of high social rank > NOBS. |
| BAE | (US) a person's sweetheart or lover: often used as an affectionate term of address > BAES. | NOD | To move the head forward in assent or greeting > NODS, NODDING, NODDED. |
| BAG | A receptacle for containing something; (verb) to put into a bag > BAGS, BAGGING, BAGGED. | NOG | To fix with a nog, a wooden peg > NOGS, NOGGING, NOGGED. |
| BAH | Interj. expressing disgust or contempt. | NOH | A traditional style of Japanese drama > NOH. No -S. |
| BAL | A balmoral, a type of shoe > BALS. | NOM | (Fr.) name > NOMS. |


| BAM | To hoax or cheat > BAMS, BAMMING, BAMMED. | NON | (Lat.) not. |
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| BAN | A Romanian coin > BANI; (verb) to forbid or prohibit > BANS, BANNING, BANNED. | NOO | (Scots) now. |
| BAO | (Chinese) a steamed dumpling, usually eaten with a filling > BAOS. | NOR | And not; neither. |
| BAP | A large, flat breakfast roll > BAPS. | NOS | (PI.) NO, a word of negation. |
| BAR | To obstruct or prevent > BARS, BARRING, BARRED. | NOT | Word expressing denial, negation or refusal. |
| BAS | (PI.) BA, the soul in ancient Egyptian religion. | NOW | The present time > NOWS. |
| BAT | A flying mammal; an implement for striking a ball; (verb) to strike with a bat > BATS, BATTING, BATTED. | NOX | Nitrogen oxide > NOXES. |
| BAY | To bark or howl > BAYS, BAYING, BAYED. | NOY | (Spenser) to annoy > NOYS, NOYING, NOYED. |
| BED | A place to sleep on; (verb) to put to bed > BEDS, BEDDING, BEDDED. | NTH | Implying a large number. |
| BEE | An insect that makes honey > BEES. | NUB | To hang > NUBS, NUBBING, NUBBED. |
| BEG | To ask for > BEGS, BEGGING, BEGGED. | NUG | A chunk of wood sawn from a log > NUGS. |
| BEL | A measure of noise > BELS. | NUN | A female member of a religious order > NUNS. |
| BEN | A mountain > BENS. | NUR | A knot on a tree > NURS. Also KNUR. |
| BES | (Hebrew) a Hebrew letter > BESES. Also BETH. | NUS | (PI.) NU, a Greek letter. |
| BET | To wager > BETS, BETTING, BET or BETTED. | NUT | An edible seed in a hard shell; (verb) to look for and gather nuts > NUTS, NUTTING, NUTTED. |
| BEY | A Turkish governor > BEYS. | NYE | (Obs.) to nigh, approach > NYES, NYING, NYED. Also NIE. |
| BEZ | The second tine of a deer's horn > BEZES. | NYM | As in nym war, a dispute about the right to publish material on the internet under a fictitious name. No -S. |
| BIB | To tipple > BIBS, BIBBING, BIBBED. | NYS | (Spenser) is not. |
| BID | To make an offer > BIDS, BIDDING, BID; to express a greeting > BIDS, BIDDING, BIDDEN, BID, BADE. | OAF | A lout; an idiot > OAFS or OAVES. |
| BIG | Sizeable > BIGGER, BIGGEST, BIGLY; (Scots) to build > BIGS, BIGGING, BIGGED. | OAK | A kind of tree; its wood > OAKS. |
| BIN | To place into a bin > BINS, BINNING, BINNED. | OAR | To row a boat > OARS, OARING, OARED. |
| BIO | (Abbr.) biography > BIOS. | OAT | A kind of grass, the seeds of which are used as food > OATS. |
| BIS | Twice. | OBA | In West Africa, a chief or ruler > OBAS. |
| BIT | To curb or restrain > BITS, BITTING, BITTED. | OBE | A form of sorcery of African origin > OBES. |
| BIZ | Slang for business > BIZZES (BIZES exists as the plural of BIZE). | OBI | To bewitch > OBIS, OBIING, OBIED. |
| BOA | A large constricting snake > BOAS. | OBO | A vessel for carrying oil and bulk ore > OBOS. |


| BOB | To move quickly up and down > BOBS, BOBBING, BOBBED. | OBS | (PI.) OB, an objection. |
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| BOD | A person > BODS. | OCA | A South American wood-sorrel > OCAS. |
| BOG | A marsh; (verb) to sink > BOGS, BOGGING, BOGGED. | OCH | (Scots) interj. expressing regret or impatience. Also ACH. |
| BOH | An exclamation used to startle someone > BOHS. | ODA | (Turkish) a room in a harem > ODAS. Also ODAH. |
| BOI | (SI.) a lesbian who adopts a boyish appearance or manners > BOIS. | ODD | Strange, unpaired > ODDER, ODDEST; ODDLY; (noun) in golf, an additional or allowed stroke > ODDS. |
| BOK | A goat or antelope > BOKS. | ODE | An elaborate lyric addressed to someone or something > ODES. |
| BON | (Fr.) good. | ODS | (PI.) OD, a hypothetical force. |
| BOO | A sound expressing disapproval or contempt; (verb) to make such a sound $>$ BOOS, BOOING, BOOED. | OES | (PI.) OE, a grandchild. |
| BOP | To dance to pop music > BOPS, BOPPING, BOPPED. | OFF | To go off > OFFS, OFFING, OFFED. |
| BOR | East Anglian form of address meaning neighbour > BORS. | OFT | (Poetic) often > OFTER, OFTEST. |
| BOS | (PI.) BO, a term of address. | OHM | A unit of electrical resistance > OHMS. |
| BOT | To cadge > BOTS, BOTTING, BOTTED. | OHO | An expression of triumph or surprise. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{BO} \\ & \mathrm{~W} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | A bending of neck or body in greeting; (verb) to bend or incline downwards > BOWS, BOWING, BOWED. | OHS | (3rd.) OH, to say oh. |
| BOX | To put into a box; to strike with the hand or fists > BOXES, BOXING, BOXED. | OIK | An inferior person > OIKS. |
| BOY | To play (a female part) as a boy > BOYS, BOYING, BOYED. | OIL | A greasy, flammable liquid; (verb) to smear or lubricate with oil > OILS, OILING, OILED. |
| BRA | (Abbr.) brassiere > BRAS. | OIS | (PI.) OI, the grey-faced petrel |
| BRO | A place for which one feels a strong affinity > BROS. | OKA | A Turkish unit of weight > OKAS. Also OKE. |
| BRR | Interj. to indicate cold. Also BRRR. | OKE | A Turkish unit of weight > OKES. Also OKA. |
| BRU | (S. Afr.) a friend > BRUS. | OLD | Aged > OLDER, OLDEST; (noun) an individual of a specified age > OLDS. |
| BUB | (Obs.) a strong drink > BUBS. | OLE | (Spanish) a shout of approval > OLES. |
| BUD | To produce buds > BUDS, BUDDING, BUDDED. | OLM | A blind salamander > OLMS. |
| BUG | To annoy > BUGS, BUGGING, BUGGED. | OMA | (German) a grandmother > OMAS. |
| BUM | Wrong, dud > BUMMER, BUMMEST; (noun) a tramp or sponger; (verb) to cadge > BUMS, BUMMING, BUMMED. | OMS | (PI.) OM, a Hindu sacred symbol. |
| BUN | A kind of sweet roll or cake > BUNS. | ONE | An individual thing or person; the number or figure 1 > ONES. |
| BUR | A continual humming sound; to speak with a bur > BURS, BURRING, BURRED. Also BURR. | ONO | (Hawaiian) a kind of fish > ONOS. |
| BUS | To travel or transport by bus > BUSES or BUSSES, BUSING or BUSSING, BUSED or BUSSED. | ONS | (3rd.) ON, to go on with. |


| BUT | To put forward as an objection > BUTS, BUTTING, BUTTED. | ONY | (Scots) any. Also ONIE. |
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| BUY | To purchase > BUYS, BUYING, BOUGHT. | OOF | (Slang) money > OOFS. |
| BYE | A pass to the next round (of a competition, etc.) > BYES. | OOH | To express pleasure or surprise with 'ooh' > OOHS, OOHING, OOHED. |
| BYS | (PI.) BY, a bye. | OOM | (S. Afr.) uncle > OOMS. |
| CAA | (Scots) to call > CAAS, CAAING, CAAED. | OON | (Scots) oven > OONS. |
| CAB | To travel by taxi > CABS, CABBING, CABBED. | OOP | To bind with thread, join > OOPS, OOPING, OOPED. Also OUP. |
| CAD | A dishonourable man > CADS. | OOR | (Scots) our. |
| CAF | (Short for) cafeteria > CAFS. | OOS | (PI.) OO, wool. |
| CAG | A cagoule > CAGS. | OOT | (Scots) an out > OOTS. |
| CAL | (Short for) calorie, as in low cal. No -S. | OPA | (German) a grandfather > OPAS. |
| CAM | To whiten with camstone > CAMS, CAMMING, CAMMED. | OPE | (Poetic) to open > OPES, OPING, OPED. |
| CAN | A container of tin-plate; (verb) to store in such a container > CANS, CANNING, CANNED. | OPS | (PI.) OP, an operation. |
| CAP | To put a cap on something > CAPS, CAPPING, CAPPED. | OPT | To decide or choose > OPTS, OPTING, OPTED. |
| CAR | A self-propelled wheeled vehicle > CARS. | ORA | (PI.) OS, a bone. |
| CAT | To vomit > CATS, CATTING, CATTED. | ORB | To form into an orb > ORBS, ORBING, ORBED. |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { CA } \\ \text { W } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | To cry as a crow > CAWS, CAWING, CAWED. Also KAW. | ORC | A killer whale > ORCS. Also ORCA. |
| CAY | A low islet > CAYS. | ORD | A point of a weapon > ORDS. |
| CAZ | (SI.) casual. | ORE | A solid mineral aggregate > ORES. |
| CEE | The letter 'C' > CEES. | ORF | A viral infection of sheep > ORFS. |
| CEL | (Abbr.) celluloid > CELS. | ORG | (Short for) an organisation > ORGS. |
| CEP | A kind of edible mushroom > CEPS. | ORS | (PI.) OR, gold. |
| CHA | Tea > CHAS. | ORT | A leftover from a meal > ORTS. |
| CHE | (Shakespeare) I. | OSE | An esker, a narrow ridge of gravel and sand > OSES. |
| CHI | The twenty-second letter of the Greek alphabet > CHIS. Also KHI. | OUD | A stringed instrument of Northern Africa > OUDS. |
| CID | A chief, captain or hero > CIDS. | OUK | (Scots) a week > OUKS. |
| CIG | (Abbr.) cigarette > CIGS. | OUP | To bind with thread, join > OUPS, OUPING, OUPED. Also OOP. |
| CIS | Having certain atoms on the same side of the molecule. | OUR | Of or belonging to us. |
| CIT | A contemptuous term for one who is not a gentleman > CITS. | OUS | (PI.) OU, a man, a bloke. |
| CLY | To seize or steal > CLIES, CLYING, CLIED. | OUT | To put or throw out > OUTS, OUTING, OUTED. |


| COB | To strike > COBS, COBBING, COBBED. | OVA | (PI.) OVUM, an egg. |
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| COD | To hoax or make fun of > CODS, CODDING, CODDED. | OWE | To be in debt for > OWES, OWING, OWED. |
| COG | To furnish with cogs > COGS, COGGING, COGGED. | OWL | To smuggle esp. wool or sheep from France > OWLS, OWLING, OWLED. |
| COL | A pass in a mountain range > COLS. | OWN | To possess > OWNS, OWNING, OWNED. |
| CON | A trick or swindle; (verb) to trick, or persuade by dishonest means > CONS, CONNING, CONNED. | OWT | (Dial.) anything > OWTS. |
| COO | To make a sound like a dove > COOS, COOING, COOED. | OXO | Containing oxygen. Also OXY. |
| COP | To capture > COPS, COPPING, COPPED. | OXY | Containing oxygen. Also OXO. |
| COR | A Hebrew measure > CORS. | OYE | A grandchild > OYES. Also OE, OY. |
| COS | A crisp, long-leaved lettuce > COSES. (COSSES exists as plural of COSS). | OYS | (PI.) OY, a grandchild. |
| COT | A small bed for a young child > COTS; (verb) to entangle > COTS, COTTING, COTTED. | PAC | A shoe patterned after a moccasin > PACS. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Co } \\ & \text { W } \end{aligned}$ | The female of bovine and some other animals > COWS, KINE, KY, KYE; (verb) to subdue > COWS, COWING, COWED. | PAD | To cover or fill with soft material > PADS, PADDING, PADDED. |
| COX | To steer a rowing boat > COXES, COXING, COXED. | PAH | A Maori port or settlement > PAHS. Also PA. |
| COY | Modest, bashful > COYER, COYEST; COYLY; (verb) to caress > COYS, COYING, COYED. | PAK | (Colloquial) a pack > PAKS. |
| COZ | (Abbr.) cousin > COZZES. (COZES exists from COZE). Also CUZ. | PAL | A friend; (verb) to associate as a pal > PALS, PALLING, PALLED. |
| CRU | (Fr.) a vineyard > CRUS. | PAM | The knave of clubs > PAMS. |
| CRY | To utter a sound of pain or grief > CRIES, CRYING, CRIED. | PAN | A broad, shallow container; (verb) to wash earth for gold > PANS, PANNING, PANNED. |
| CUB | To produce cubs > CUBS, CUBBING, CUBBED. | PAP | To feed soft pap food to infants > PAPS, PAPPING, PAPPED. |
| CUD | Food chewed again by a ruminating animal > CUDS. | PAR | To score a standard number of strokes in golf > PARS, PARRING, PARRED. |
| CUE | To give a cue as a signal > CUES, CUING or CUEING, CUED. | PAS | (Fr.) a step (pl. PAS, but PASES exists as plural of PASE). |
| CUM | With the addition of; (noun) seminal fluid > CUMS. | PAT | Hitting the mark precisely > PATLY; (verb) to stroke gently > PATS, PATTING, PATTED. |
| CUP | To form into a cup shape > CUPS, CUPPING, CUPPED. | PAV | (Abbr.) PAVLOVA, a type of dessert consisting of a meringue base topped with whipped cream > PAVS. |
| CUR | A worthless mongrel dog > CURS. | PAW | To scrape with a paw > PAWS, PAWING, PAWED. |
| CUT | To make an incision in; to reduce > CUTS, CUTTING, CUT. | PAX | (Lat.) peace > PAXES. |
| CUZ | Abbrev.) cousin > CUZZES. Also COZ. | PAY | To remunerate > PAYS, PAYING, PAID; to seal with tar > PAYS, PAYING, PAYED. |


| $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \mathrm{CW} \\ \mathrm{M} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | A Welsh word for valley > CWMS. | PEA | A vegetable, the rounded seed of a climbing plant > PEAS or PEASE. |
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| DAB | To touch or press gently > DABS, DABBING, DABBED. | PEC | (Coll.) a pectoral muscle > PECS. |
| DAD | To thump > DADS, DADDING, DADDED. | PED | (Abbr.) pedestrian > PEDS. |
| DAE | (Scots) to do > DAES, DAEING, DONE, DID. | PEE | The letter P; (verb) to urinate > PEES, PEEING, PEED. |
| DAG | To cut the dags off sheep > DAGS, DAGGING, DAGGED. | PEG | A pin or fixture; (verb) to fasten with a peg > PEGS, PEGGING, PEGGED. |
| DAH | A Burmese knife > DAHS. Also DA. | PEH | A Hebrew letter > PEHS. Also PE. |
| DAK | In India, the mail or post > DAKS. | PEL | A pixel > PELS. |
| DAL | (Hindi) an Indian name for a lentil > DALS. Also DHAL, DAHL, DHOLL. | PEN | An implement for writing; (verb) to write down on paper > PENS, PENNING, PENNED; to put in a pen (enclosure) > PENS, PENNING, PENNED or PENT. |
| DAM | To restrain water with an embankment or bank > DAMS, DAMMING, DAMMED. | PEP | Vigour or spirit; (verb) to put pep into > PEPS, PEPPING, PEPPED. |
| DAN | A level of efficiency in Japanese combative sports > DANS. | PER | For each; by. |
| DAP | To dip bait gently into the water when fishing > DAPS, DAPPING, DAPPED. | PES | (PI.) PE, a Hebrew letter. |
| DAS | (PI.) DA, a Burmese knife. | PET | A tame animal; a favourite; (verb) to treat as a pet > PETS, PETTING, PETTED. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { DA } \\ & \text { W } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | To dawn > DAWS, DAWING, DAWED. | PEW | A bench in a church > PEWS. |
| DAY | The time when it is light > DAYS. | PHI | A letter of the Greek alphabet > PHIS. |
| DEB | (Coll.) debutante > DEBS. | PHO | A Vietnames noodle soup > PHOS. |
| DEE | A substitute for damn > DEES, DEEING, DEED. | PHT | Interj. of mild anger. |
| DEF | Excellent, brilliant > DEFFER, DEFFEST. | PIA | A tropical plant > PIAS. |
| DEG | (Dial.) to water ( e.g. a plant) > DEGS, DEGGING, DEGGED. | PIC | (Coll.) picture > PICS or PIX. |
| DEI | The plural of DEUS (Latin for god). | PIE | To reduce to confusion > PIES, PIEING or PIING, PIED. Also PYE. |
| DEL | A mathematical symbol > DELS. | PIG | A farm animal bred for food; (verb, slang) to eat greedily > PIGS, PIGGING, PIGGED. |
| DEN | To retire to a den > DENS, DENNING, DENNED. | PIN | A piece of wood or metal used for fastening; (verb) to fasten with a pin > PINS, PINNING, PINNED. |
| DEP | A convenience store > DEPS. | PIP | A small hard seed in a fruit; (verb) to offend or disgust > PIPS, PIPPING, PIPPED. |
| DEV | A Hindu god > DEVS. Also DEVA. | PIR | A Muslim title of honour, given to a holy man > PIRS. |
| DEW | To moisten as with dew > DEWS, DEWING, DEWED. | PIS | (PI.) PI, a letter in the Greek alphabet. |
| DEX | A sulfate used as a stimulant > DEXES. | PIT | To make a pit in > PITS, PITTING, PITTED; (Scots) to put > PITS, PITTING, PUTTEN, PITTEN, PAT. |


| DEY | Formerly, the pasha of Algiers > DEYS. | PIU | (Ital.) more. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DIB | To dip bait gently into the water when fishing > DIBS, DIBBING, DIBBED. | PIX | A box in which coins are kept for testing > PIXES. |
| DID | (Pt.) DO. | PLU | A beaver pelt > PLUS. Also PLUE, PLEW. |
| DIE | To depart from life > DIES, DYING, DIED; to cut or shape with a die > DIES, DIEING, DIED. | PLY | A fold; (verb) to bend or fold > PLIES, PLYING, PLIED. |
| DIF | Difference > DIFS. Also DIFF. | POA | A meadow-grass plant > POAS. |
| DIG | To excavate > DIGS, DIGGING, DIGGED or DUG. | POD | To shell peas > PODS, PODDING, PODDED. |
| DIM | Not bright > DIMMER, DIMMEST; DIMLY; (verb) to make dim > DIMS, DIMMING, DIMMED. | POH | An interjection expressing contempt; (verb) to express contempt > POHS, POHING, POHED. |
| DIN | To make a loud noise > DINS, DINNING, DINNED. | POI | A Hawaiian dish of fermented taro > POIS. |
| DIP | To immerse briefly; to lower > DIPS, DIPPING, DIPPED or DIPT. | POL | A politician > POLS. |
| DIS | To dismiss, put down > DISSES, DISSING, DISSED. | POM | (Coll.) a Pomeranian dog > POMS. |
| DIT | (Scots) to block > DITS, DITTING, DITTED. | POO | To defecate > POOS, POOING, POOED. |
| DIV | An evil spirit of Persian mythology > DIVS. | POP | A mild explosive sound; (verb) to make a pop > POPS, POPPING, POPPED. |
| DOB | To inform on or betray > DOBS, DOBBING, DOBBED. | POS | (Adj.) positive. Also POZ. |
| DOC | (Abbr.) doctor > DOCS. | POT | A utensil used for cooking or storing; (verb) to cook or put in a pot > POTS, POTTING, POTTED. |
| DOD | To cut the hair of > DODS, DODDING, DODDED. | POW | (Scots) head > POWS. |
| DOE | The female of a deer, rabbit and some other animals > DOES. | POX | To infect with pox > POXES, POXING, POXED. |
| DOF | (S. Afr.) stupid. | POZ | (Adj.) positive. Also POS. |
| DOG | To follow like a dog > DOGS, DOGGING, DOGGED. | PRE | Before. |
| DOH | A musical note > DOHS. | PRO | (Abbr.) professional, or prostitute > PROS. |
| DOL | A unit of pain intensity > DOLS. | PRY | To enquire impertinently into > PRIES, PRYING, PRIED. PRYS exists as an old form of PRICE. |
| DOM | A title given to certain monks > DOMS. | PSI | A letter of the Greek alphabet > PSIS. |
| DON | A university lecturer, etc.; (verb) to put on (clothes, etc.) > DONS, DONNING, DONNED. | PST | Interj. used to attract attention. Also PSST. |
| DOO | (Scots) dove or pigeon > DOOS. | PUB | A public house; (verb) to visit a pub > PUBS, PUBBING, PUBBED. |
| DOP | To dip > DOPS, DOPPING, DOPPED. | PUD | (Coll.) pudding > PUDS. |
| DOR | To mock > DORS, DORRING, DORRED. | PUG | To fill in with clay or mortar > PUGS, PUGGING, PUGGED. |
| DOS | (PI.) DO, a musical note. | PUH | (Shakespeare) pooh, interj. expressing disgust. |
| DOT | A very small spot; (verb) to make such a spot > DOTS, DOTTING, DOTTED. | PUL | A coin of Afghanistan > PULS or PULI. |


| $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { DO } \\ \text { W } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | To be able > DOWS, DOWING, DOCHT or DOUGHT or DOWED. | PUN | A play on words; (verb) to make a pun > PUNS, PUNNING, PUNNED. |
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| DOX | To publish personal information about (a person) on the internet > DOXES, DOXING, DOXED. | PUP | To give birth to puppies > PUPS, PUPPING, PUPPED. |
| DOY | (Dial.) beloved person > DOYS. | PUR | (Obs.) to purr > PURS, PURRING, PURRED. (PURING and PURED exists from PURE, to cleanse). |
| DRY | Not wet > DRIER or DRYER, DRIEST or DRYEST; (noun) a prohibitionist > DRYS; (verb) to make dry > DRIES, DRYING, DRIED. | PUS | Thick yellowish bodily fluid > PUSES. |
| DSO | A Himalayan ox > DSOS. Also ZO, DZO, ZHO, DZHO. | PUT | To place; to throw > PUTS, PUTTING, PUT (PUTTED exists from PUTT). |
| DUB | To add sound effects, etc., to > DUBS, DUBBING, DUBBED. | PUY | A small volcanic cone > PUYS. |
| DUD | Something or someone ineffectual > DUDS. | PWN | (Slang) to dominate or humiliate an opponent esp in online gaming > PWNS, PWNING, PWNED. |
| DUE | Required > DULY; (verb) to endue > DUES, DUING, DUED. | PYA | A copper coin of Burma > PYAS. |
| DUG | The teat or udder of a female mammal > DUGS. | PYE | To reduce to confusion > PYES, PYEING, PIED. Also PIE. |
| DUH | An ironic response to a question. | PYX | To test a coin > PYXES, PYXING, PYXED. |
| DUI | (PI.) DUO, two people considered a pair for a specific reason. | QAT | An East African shrub > QATS. Also KAT, KHAT. |
| DUM | Cooked with steam. No -S. | QIS | (PI.) QI, the physical life-force postulated by certain Chinese philosophers. |
| DUN | A grey colour > DUNNER, DUNNEST; (verb) to press for payment > DUNS, DUNNING, DUNNED. | QUA | (Lat.) in the capacity of. |
| DUO | Two people considered a pair for a specific reason > DUI or DUOS. | QIN | A Chinese musical instrument > QINS. |
| DUP | To undo > DUPS, DUPPED, DUPPING. | RAD | To fear > RADS, RADDING, RADDED. |
| DUX | A leader > DUCES or DUXES. | RAG | A worn scrap of cloth; (verb) to tease or ridicule > RAGS, RAGGING, RAGGED. |
| DYE | To stain > DYES, DYEING, DYED. | RAH | To express joy with the sound of 'rah' > RAHS, RAHING, RAHED. |
| DZO | $\begin{aligned} & \text { A cross between a yak and a cow > DZOS. Also DSO, } \\ & \text { DZHO, ZO, ZHO. } \end{aligned}$ | RAI | A modern North African form of popular music > RAIS. |
| EAN | (Shakespeare) to give birth to > EANS, EANING, EANED. | RAJ | In India, sovereignty > RAJES. |
| EAR | To produce corn ears > EARS, EARING, EARED. | RAM | A male sheep; (verb) to push or cram down hard > RAMS, RAMMING, RAMMED. |
| EAS | (PI.) EA, a river. | RAN | (Pt.) RUN, to move quickly. |
| EAT | To consume by mouth > EATS, EATING, EATEN, ATE or (obs.) ET. | RAP | A sharp blow; (verb) to strike sharply > RAPS, RAPPING, RAPPED. |
| EAU | (Fr.) water > EAUS or EAUX. | RAS | A headland; an Ethiopian prince > RASES. |


| EBB | To move back from the land (of the tide) > EBBS, EBBING, EBBED. | RAT | To hunt rats > RATS, RATTING, RATTED. |
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| ECH | (Shakespeare) to eke out > ECHES, ECHING, ECHED. Also ICH. | RAV | A rabbi, esp. one in authority > RAVS. |
| ECO | (Contraction for.) ECOLOGY > ECOS. | RAW | Uncooked > RAWER, RAWEST; RAWLY; (noun) a sore or irritated spot > RAWS. |
| ECU | A European unit of currency > ECUS. | RAX | To stretch > RAXES, RAXING, RAXED. |
| EDH | A letter used in old English > EDHS. Also ETH | RAY | To emit rays > RAYS, RAYING, RAYED. |
| EDS | (PI.) ED, education. | REB | A Confederate soldier > REBS. |
| EEK | Interj. expressing fright. | REC | A recreation ground $>$ RECS. |
| EEL | A long, smooth, cylindrical fish > EELS. | RED | A colour > REDDER, REDDEST; REDLY; (verb) to put in order > REDS, REDDING, REDDED. |
| EEN | (Scots) plural of EE, eye. | REE | (Scots) an enclosure for sheep > REES. |
| EEW | An interjection expressing distress. | REF | (Abbr.) referee > REFS. |
| EFF | A euphemism for fuck > EFFS, EFFING, EFFED. | REG | A regulation > REGS. |
| EFS | (PI.) EF, the letter 'f'. | REH | An accumulation of salts on soil > REHS. |
| EFT | A newt > EFTS. | REI | A Portuguese coin > REIS. |
| EGG | An oval or round body from which young are hatched; (verb) to add eggs to (in cooking, etc.) > EGGS, EGGING, EGGED. | REM | A unit of radiation dosage > REMS. |
| EGO | The "I" or self > EGOS. | REN | (Obs.) to run > RENS, RENNING, RENNED. |
| EHS | (3rd.) EH, to say eh. | REO | (Maori) a New Zealand language > REOS. |
| EIK | (Scots) to eke > EIKS, EIKING, EIKED. | REP | To work as a representative > REPS, REPPING, REPPED. |
| EKE | To add > EKES, EKING, EKED. | RES | (Abbr.) reservation > RESES. Also REZ. |
| ELD | (Obs.) age, old age > ELDS. | RET | To soak esp. flax-stems > RETS, RETTING, RETTED. |
| ELF | A fairly-like being > ELVES; (Shakespeare) to entangle hair > ELFS, ELFING, ELFED. | REV | A revolution in an internal combustion engine; (verb) to increase the speed of revolution > REVS, REVVING, REVVED. |
| ELK | A kind of large deer > ELKS. | REW | (Spenser) a row > REWS. |
| ELL | A measure of length > ELLS. | REX | An animal with a single layer of hair > REXES; a king > REGES. |
| ELM | A kind of tree > ELMS. | REZ | (Abbr.) reservation > REZZES. Also RES. |
| ELS | (PI.) EL, the letter L. | RHO | A letter of the Greek alphabet > RHOS. |
| ELT | A young sow > ELTS. | RHY | (Spenser) rye > RHIES. |
| EME | (Obs.) uncle > EMES. | RIA | A drowned valley > RIAS. |
| EMO | A type of music combining traditional hard rock with personal and emotional lyrics > EMOS. | RIB | A bone curving forward from the backbone; (verb) to tease > RIBS, RIBBING, RIBBED. |


| EMS | (PI.) EM, a printing unit. | RID | To free or clear > RIDS, RIDDING, RIDDED. |
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| EMU | A flightless, fast-running bird > EMUS. | RIF | To dismiss from employment > RIFS, RIFFING, RIFFED. |
| END | To finish or close > ENDS, ENDING, ENDED. | RIG | To fit with sails; to equip or clothe > RIGS, RIGGING, RIGGED. |
| ENE | (Poetic) evening > ENES. | RIM | To provide with a rim > RIMS, RIMMING, RIMMED. |
| ENG | A phonetic symbol > ENGS. | RIN | (Scots) to run > RINS, RINNING, RUN, RAN. |
| ENS | (PI.) EN, a printing unit. | RIP | To tear open or apart > RIPS, RIPPING, RIPPED or (obs.) RIPT. |
| EON | A long period of time > EONS. Also AEON. | RIT | To score or scratch > RITS, RITTING, RITTED. Also RITT. |
| ERA | A series of years; an age > ERAS. | RIZ | (US) (Pt.) RISE. |
| ERE | (Obs.) to plough > ERES, ERING, ERED. | ROB | To steal > ROBS, ROBBING, ROBBED. |
| ERF | A South African garden plot > ERVEN. | ROC | An enormous bird of Arabian legend > ROCS. Also ROK, RUC, RUKH. |
| ERG | A unit of work > ERGS. | ROD | To push a rod through > RODS, RODDING, RODDED. |
| ERK | A slang word for aircraftsman > ERKS. | ROE | A mass of fish eggs > ROES, ROED (having ROE). |
| ERM | An interjection expressing hesitation. | ROK | An enormous bird of Arabian legend > ROKS. Also ROC, RUC, RUKH. |
| ERN | (Obs.) to earn > ERNS, ERNING, ERNED. | ROM | A gypsy man > ROMA, ROMAS, ROMS. |
| ERR | To make a mistake > ERRS, ERRING, ERRED. | ROO | (Abbr.) kangaroo > ROOS. |
| ERS | The bitter vetch > ERSES. | ROT | To decay > ROTS, ROTTING, ROTTED. |
| ESS | The letter 'S' > ESSES. Also ES. | ROW | To propel through water with oars > ROWS, ROWING, ROWED. |
| EST | A programme designed to develop human potential (Erhard Seminars Training) > ESTS. | RUB | To apply friction > RUBS, RUBBING, RUBBED; (Scots) to rob > RUBS, RUBBING, RUBBET, RUBBIT. |
| ETA | A letter of the Greek alphabet > ETAS. | RUC | An enormous bird of Arabian legend > RUCS. Also ROC, ROK, RUKH. |
| ETH | A letter used in old English > ETHS. Also EDH | RUD | To redden > RUDS, RUDDING, RUDDED. |
| EUK | To itch > EUKS, EUKING, EUKED. Also EWK, YUKE, YOUK, YUCK. | RUE | To regret > RUES, RUING or RUEING, RUED. |
| EVE | (Poetic) evening > EVES. | RUG | A heavy floor-mat; (verb, Scots) to pull roughly > RUGS, RUGGING, RUGGED. |
| EVO | (Aust. sl.) evening > EVOS. | RUM | Odd, droll > RUMMER, RUMMEST; a spirit distilled from sugar-cane > RUMS. |
| EWE | A female sheep > EWES. | RUN | To move quickly; to organise and/or control > RUNS, RUNNING, RUN, RAN. |
| EWK | To itch > EWKS, EWKING, EWKED. Also EUK, YUKE, YOUK, YUCK. | RUT | To make a furrow with a wheel > RUTS, RUTTING, RUTTED. |
| EWT | (Obs.) a newt, a tailed amphibious animal > EWTS. | RYA | A type of Scandinavian rug > RYAS. |


| EXO | (Aust. sl.) excellent. | RYE | A cereal grass; its grain > RYES. |
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| EYE | To look at carefully > EYES, EYING or EYEING, EYED. | RYU | A Japanese school of martial arts > RYUS. |
| FAA | (Scots) to fall > FAAS, FAAING, FAAN, FELL, FALLEN. | SAB | To sob > SABS, SABBING, SABBED. |
| FAB | Marvellous > FABBER, FABBEST; (noun) fabrication > FABS. | SAC | In biology, a bag-like structure > SACS. |
| FAD | A craze > FADS. | SAD | Unhappy, sorrowful > SADDER, SADDEST; SADLY; (verb) to express sadness > SADS, SADDING, SADDED. |
| FAE | (Scots) from. | SAE | (Scots) so. |
| FAG | To work, or be worked, hard > FAGS, FAGGING, FAGGED. | SAG | To bend or hang down > SAGS, SAGGING, SAGGED. |
| FAH | A musical note > FAHS. Also FA. | SAI | The capuchin monkey > SAIS. |
| FAN | A instrument used for cooling; (verb) to cool, as with a fan > FANS, FANNING, FANNED. | SAL | A large North Indian tree > SALS. |
| FAP | Fuddled or drunk. | SAM | (Spenser) together; (verb) to gather > SAMS, SAMMING, SAMMED. |
| FAR | A long way off > FARTHER or FURTHER, FARTHEST or FURTHEST; to remove to a distance > FARS, FARRING, FARRED. | SAN | A discarded letter of the Greek alphabet > SANS. |
| FAS | (PI.) FA, a musical note. | SAP | A liquid circulating through plants; (verb) to drain > SAPS, SAPPING, SAPPED. |
| FAT | Stoutly built > FATTER, FATTEST; FATLY; (verb) to make or grow fat > FATS, FATTING, FATTED. | SAR | (Scots) to savour > SARS, SARING, SARED. |
| FAW | A gypsy > FAWS. | SAT | (Pt.) SIT, to rest on the buttocks. |
| FAX | To send messages via a machine that scans electronically > FAXES, FAXING, FAXED. | SAU | A Vietnamese coin > SAU. No -S. Also XU. |
| FAY | Whimsical > FAYER, FAYEST; to clean out esp. a ditch > FAYS, FAYING, FAYED. Also FEY. | SAV | (Abbr.) SAVELOY, a highly seasoned sausage > SAVS. |
| FED | U.S. slang for federal agent > FEDS. | SAW | A cutting tool with a toothed blade; (verb) to cut with a saw > SAWS, SAWING, SAWN, SAWED. |
| FEE | To pay a fee to > FEES, FEEING, FEED. | SAX | A slate chopper > SAXES. Also ZAX, ZEX. |
| FEG | (Dial.) a segment of an orange: FEGS (FEGS was already valid as interjection).. | SAY | To utter in words, speak > SAYS, (obs.) SAYST, (obs.) SAYEST, (obs.) SAITH, SAYING, SAID, (obs.) SAIDST, (obs.) SAIDEST; to assay > SAYS, SAYING, SAYED. |
| FEH | A Hebrew coin > FEHS. Also PE, PEH. | SAZ | A stringed instrument of North Africa > SAZES or SAZZES. |
| FEM | A passive homosexual > FEMS. | SEA | A great expanse of water > SEAS. |
| FEN | Low marshy land > FENS. | SEC | A secant > SECS. |
| FER | (Dial.) for. | SED | (Milton) said. |
| FES | (PI.) FE, a Hebrew letter. | SEE | To perceive by the eye > SEES, SEEING, SEEN, SAW. |
| FET | (Obs.) to fetch > FETS, FETTING, FETTED. Also FETT. | SEG | A stud in the sole of a shoe > SEGS. |


| FEU | To grant or hold land in feu land tenure > FEUS, FEUING, FEUED. | SEI | A whale, a kind of RORQUAL > SEIS. |
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| FEW | Not many > FEWER, FEWEST; (noun) a small number > FEWS. | SEL | (Scots) self > SELS. |
| FEY | Whimsical > FEYER, FEYEST; (verb) to clean out esp. a ditch > FEYS, FEYING, FEYED. Also FAY. | SEN | A Japanese monetary unit (pl. SEN, but SENS exists in its own right as an old form of since). |
| FEZ | A red brimless cap of wool or felt > FEZES or FEZZES, FEZZED. | SER | A unit of weight in India > SERS. |
| FIB | A small lie; (verb) to tell a small lie > FIBS, FIBBING, FIBBED. | SET | To put or place in position > SETS, SETTING, SET. |
| FID | A conical pin of hard wood > FIDS. | SEV | (Hindi) a dish of deep-fried strands of flour > SEVS. |
| FIE | Whimsical, fey > FIER, FIEST; interj. expressing disapproval. | SEW | To work on with a needle and thread > SEWS, SEWING, SEWN, SEWED. |
| FIG | To dress up > FIGS, FIGGING, FIGGED. | SEX | To identify the sex of > SEXES, SEXING, SEXED. |
| FIL | The shaft of a vehicle > FILS. | SEY | A part of a carcase of beef > SEYS. |
| FIN | To equip with fins > FINS, FINNING, FINNED. | SEZ | (Slang) says. |
| FIR | A kind of conifer > FIRS. | SHA | Interj. requesting silence. Also SH, SHH. |
| FIT | Healthy, suitable > FITTER, FITTEST; (verb) to make suitable > FITS, FITTING, FITTED. | SHE | Pronoun used in referring to female person or thing > SHES. |
| FIX | To make firm, to arrange > FIXES, FIXING, FIXED or FIXT. | SHH | Interj. requesting silence. Also SH, SHA. |
| FIZ | To make a hissing or sputtering sound > FIZZES, FIZZING, FIZZED. Also FIZZ. | SHO | A nonstandard spelling of sure, representing its pronunciation in the southern US. |
| FLU | (Abbr.) influenza > FLUS. | SHY | Embarrassed, bashful > SHIER or SHYER, SHIEST or SHYEST; SHILY or SHYLY; (verb) to jump aside, recoil > SHIES, SHYING, SHIED. |
| FLY | Surreptitious or sly > FLIER or FLYER, FLIEST or FLYEST; (verb) to travel through the air > FLIES, FLYING, FLOWN, FLEW; to hit a ball high into the air in baseball > FLIES, FLYING, FLIED. | SIB | A blood relation > SIBS. |
| FOB | To put off > FOBS, FOBBING, FOBBED. Also FUB. | SIC | To incite a dog to attack > SICS, SICCING or SICKING, SICCED or SICKED. |
| FOE | An enemy > FOES or (obs.) FOEN or FONE. | SIF | (S. Afr.) syphilitic, nasty. |
| FOG | To be affected by fog > FOGS, FOGGING, FOGGED. | SIG | A short personalized message at the end of an email,a signature > SIGS. |
| FOH | Interj. expressing disgust or contempt. Also PHO. | SIK | (Aust. sl.) excellent. |
| FON | To fool, be foolish > FONS, FONNING, FONNED. | SIM | (Abbr.) Simeonite, an evangelical > SIMS. |
| FOO | A name for a temporary computer variable or file > FOOS. | SIN | A moral offence; (verb) to commit sin > SINS, SINNING, SINNED. |
| FOP | To deceive > FOPS, FOPPING, FOPPED. | SIP | To drink in small mouthfuls > SIPS, SIPPING, SIPPED. |
| FOR | In the place of; in favour of; towards. | SIR | To address as "sir" > SIRS, SIRRING, SIRRED. |


| FOU | A bushel > FOUS. | SIS | A contraction of sister > SISES. |
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| FOX | To act cunningly, to cheat > FOXES, FOXING, FOXED. | SIT | To rest on the buttocks > SITS, SITTING, SAT or (obs.) SATE, SITTEN. |
| FOY | Allegiance, loyalty > FOYS. | SIX | The next whole number after five > SIXES. |
| FRA | (Ital.) brother > FRAS. | SKA | A form of Jamaican music similar to reggae > SKAS. |
| FRO | (Obs.) from; (noun) an African hairstyle > FROS. | SKI | A narrow strip attached to a boot for gliding over snow; (verb) to move on skis > SKIS, SKIING, SKIED. |
| FRY | To cook in oil or fat > FRIES, FRYING, FRIED. | SKY | To hit towards the sky > SKIES, SKYING, SKIED or SKYED. |
| FUB | To put off > FUBS, FUBBING, FUBBED. Also FOB. | SLY | Cunning, wily; surreptitious > SLIER or SLYER, SLIEST or SLYEST; SLILY or SLYLY. |
| FUD | A rabbit or hare's tail > FUDS. | SMA | (Scots) small. |
| FUG | A very hot, close atmosphere; (verb) to cause a fug in > FUGS, FUGGING, FUGGED. | SNY | A side channel of a river > SNIES. |
| FUM | A fabulous Chinese bird > FUMS. Also FUNG. | SOB | To cry uncontrollably, taking intermittent breaths > SOBS, SOBBING, SOBBED. |
| FUN | Providing enjoyment > FUNNER, FUNNEST; (verb) to play, frolic > FUNS, FUNNING, FUNNED. | SOC | The right of holding a local court > SOCS; (short for) sociology > SOCES. |
| FUR | To cover or coat with fur > FURS, FURRING, FURRED. | SOD | To cover with sods of turf > SODS, SODDING, SODDED. |
| GAB | To chatter > GABS, GABBING, GABBED. | SOG | To soak > SOGS, SOGGING, SOGGED. |
| GAD | To wander about idly > GADS, GADDING, GADDED. | SOH | A musical note > SOHS. Also SOL. |
| GAE | (Scots) to go > GAES, GAEING, GAEN, GAUN, GAED. | SOL | A musical note > SOLS. Also SOH. |
| GAG | To silence > GAGS, GAGGING, GAGGED. | SOM | The standard monetary unit of Kyrgyzstan > SOMS or SOMY. |
| GAK | Slang for cocaine > GAKS. | SON | A male offspring > SONS, SONLY. |
| GAL | A girl > GALS. | SOP | To soak > SOPS, SOPPING, SOPPED. |
| GAM | A school of whales; (verb) to join up in a gam > GAMS, GAMMING, GAMMED. | SOS | (PI.) SO, a musical note. |
| GAN | (Pt.) GIN, to begin; also, to go > GANS, GANNING, GANNED. | SOT | To act as a sot, a habitual drunkard > SOTS, SOTTING, SOTTED. |
| GAP | To make a gap in > GAPS, GAPPING, GAPPED. | SOU | An old small French coin > SOUS. |
| GAR | (Scots) to compel > GARS, GARRING, GARRED or GART. | SOV | (Abbr.) sovereign, a gold coin > SOVS. |
| GAS | A state of matter > GASES; (verb) to poison with gas > GASSES, GASSING, GASSED. | SOW | A female pig; (verb) to scatter seed on the ground > SOWS, SOWING, SOWED. |
| GAT | A pistol > GATS. | SOX | (Slang) socks. |
| GAU | A German political district of the Nazi regime > GAUS. | SOY | A dark, salty sauce made from fermented beans > SOYS. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{GA} \\ & \mathrm{~W} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | An imperfect rainbow or other supposed sign of coming weather > GAWS. | SOZ | (Short for) sorry. |


| GAY | Cheerful > GAYER, GAYEST; GAILY or GAYLY; a homosexual > GAYS. | SPA | A resort with a mineral spring; (verb) to stay at a spa > SPAS, SPAING, SPAED. |
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| GED | (Dial.) a pike > GEDS. | SPY | A secret agent employed to watch; (verb) to watch secretly > SPIES, SPYING, SPIED or (obs.) SPIDE. |
| GEE | Of horses, to move on > GEES, GEEING, GEED. | SRI | Sir, used as a Hindu title of respect > SRIS. |
| GEL | To form a gelatinous substance > GELS, GELLING, GELLED. | STY | To keep in a sty > STIES or STYES, STYING, STIED or STYED. |
| GEM | To adorn with gems > GEMS, GEMMING, GEMMED. | SUB | To subscribe, substitute etc. > SUBS, SUBBING, SUBBED. |
| GEN | General information; (verb) to gain information > GENS, GENNING, GENNED. | SUD | A rare singular form of SUDS, a froth of soapy water > SUDS. |
| GEO | A gully or creek > GEOS. Also GIO, GOE. | SUE | To prosecute at law > SUES, SUING, SUED. |
| GER | In Mongolia, a kind of felt tent, a yurt > GERS. | SUG | To attempt to sell a product while purporting to be engaged in market research > SUGS, SUGGED, SUGGING. |
| GET | To obtain > GETS, GETTING, GOTTEN, GOT. | SUI | (Lat.) of himself, itself. |
| GEY | Considerable > GEYER, GEYEST. | SUK | A market place > SUKS. Also SUQ, SOOK, SOUK, SUKH. |
| GHI | Clarified butter > GHIS. Also GHEE. | SUM | The total, whole amount; (verb) to add, make up the total of > SUMS, SUMMING, SUMMED > SUMS. Also, an Uzbekistan currency > SUMS, SUMY |
| GIB | A wedge-shaped piece of metal; (verb) to fasten with a gib > GIBS, GIBBING, GIBBED. | SUN | The star that is the source of light; (verb) to expose to the sun's rays > SUNS, SUNNING, SUNNED. |
| GID | A sheep disease > GIDS. | SUP | To take liquid into the mouth > SUPS, SUPPING, SUPPED. |
| GIE | (Scots) to give > GIES, GIEING, GIEN, GIED or GAE. | SUQ | A market place > SUQS. Also SUK, SOOK, SOUK, SUKH. |
| GIF | A type of computer image > GIFS | SUR | (Fr.) on, above. |
| GIG | To play a gig > GIGS, GIGGING, GIGGED. | SUS | A suspect > SUSES; (verb) to arrest for suspicious behaviour > SUSSES, SUSSING, SUSSED. |
| GIN | To process cotton > GINS, GINNING, GINNED; (arch.) to begin > GINS, GINNING, GAN. | SWY | An Australian two-up game > SWIES. |
| GIO | A gully or creek > GIOS. Also GOE, GEO. | SYE | To strain > SYES, SYEING, SYED. |
| GIP | To swindle > GIPS, GIPPING, GIPPED. Also GYP. | SYN | Since. |
| GIS | (PI.) GI, a karate costume. | TAB | To name or designate > TABS, TABBING, TABBED. |
| GIT | A stupid person; (verb) to get > GITS, GITTING, GITTED. | TAD | A small amount > TADS. |
| GJU | A type of violin formerly used in Shetland > GJUS. Also GU, GUE. | TAE | (Scots) to toe > TAES, TAEING, TAED. |
| GNU | An African antelope > GNUS. | TAG | A tab or label; (verb) to put a tag on > TAGS, TAGGING, TAGGED. |
| GOA | A Tibetan gazelle > GOAS. | TAI | A Japanese sea bream > TAIS. |
| GOB | To spit > GOBS, GOBBING, GOBBED. | TAJ | A crown, a Dervish's tall conical cap > TAJES |
| GOD | To deify > GODS, GODDING, GODDED. | TAK | (Scots) to take > TAKS, TAKING, TAKEN, TOOK. |


| GOE | A gully or creek > GOES. Also GEO, GIO . | TAM | A cap with a broad, circular flat top > TAMS. |
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| GON | A geometrical grade > GONS. | TAN | Brown > TANNER, TANNEST; (verb) to become brown in the sun > TANS, TANNING, TANNED. |
| GOO | A sticky substance > GOOS. | TAO | A path of virtuous conduct in Chinese philosophy > TAOS. |
| GOR | a seagull $>$ GORS. | TAP | A gentle knock or its sound; (verb) to knock gently > TAPS, TAPPING, TAPPED. |
| GOS | (PI.) GO, a turn. | TAR | A black bituminous substance; (verb) to coat with tar > TARS, TARRING, TARRED. |
| GOT | (Pt.) GET, to obtain. | TAS | (PI.) TA, thanks. |
| GOV | (abbrev.) governor > GOVS. Also GUV. | TAT | To touch up > TATS, TATTING, TATTED. |
| GOX | Gaseous oxygen > GOXES. | TAU | A letter of the Greek alphabet > TAUS. |
| GOY | A Gentile > GOYIM or GOYS. | TAV | A Hebrew letter > TAVS. |
| GRR | An interjection expressing anger or annoyance. | TAW | To prepare skins for white leather > TAWS, TAWING, TAWED. |
| GUB | A white man; (verb) to strike on the mouth > GUBS, GUBBING, GUBBED. | TAX | A contribution levied towards a country's revenue; (verb) to impose a tax on > TAXES, TAXING, TAXED. |
| GUE | A violin formerly used in Shetland > GUES. Also GU, GJU. | TAY | (Dial.) tea > TAYS. |
| GUL | A design in oriental carpets > GULS. | TEA | To take tea > TEAS, TEAING, TEAED. |
| GUM | To smear or coat with gum > GUMS, GUMMING, GUMMED. | TEC | (SI.) a detective > TECS. |
| GUN | A weapon for discharging explosive projectiles; to discharge such projectiles > GUNS, GUNNING, GUNNED. | TED | To spread out grass for drying > TEDS, TEDDING, TEDDED. |
| GUP | Gossip, prattle > GUPS. | TEE | To place a golf ball on a tee > TEES, TEEING, TEED. |
| GUR | An unrefined, sweet cane sugar > GURS. | TEF | An Ethiopian cereal grass > TEFS. |
| GUS | (PI.) GU, a Shetland violin. | TEG | A sheep in its second year > TEGS. |
| GUT | The intestine; (verb) to take the guts out of (a fish, etc.) > GUTS, GUTTING, GUTTED. | TEL | In Arab countries, a hill or mound > TELS. |
| GUV | (Abbr.) governor > GUVS. Also GOV. | TEN | The next whole number after nine > TENS. |
| GUY | To make fun of > GUYS, GUYING, GUYED. | TES | (PI.) TE, a musical note. |
| GYM | (Abbr.) gymnasium > GYMS. | TET | A Hebrew letter > TETS. Also TETH. |
| GYP | To swindle > GYPS, GYPPING, GYPPED. Also GIP. | TEW | To hustle > TEWS, TEWING, TEWED. |
| HAD | (Scots) to hold > HADS, HADDING, HAD. | TEX | A unit of weight used to measure the density of yarn > TEXES. |
| HAE | (Scots) to have > HAES, HAEING, HAEN, HAED. | THE | The definite article. |
| HAG | (Scots) to hack or hew > HAGS, HAGGING, HAGGED. | THO | (Spenser) those. |
| HAH | A sound of surprise > HAHS. | THY | Of thee. |
| HAJ | A Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca > HAJES (HAJJES exists as pl. of HAJJ). | TIC | An involuntary twitching of muscles; (verb) to twitch > TICS, TICCING, TICCED. |


| HAM | To overact, exaggerate > HAMS, HAMMING, HAMMED. | TID | (Scots) a mood > TIDS. |
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| HAN | (Spenser) 3rd person plural of HAVE. | TIE | To fasten > TIES, TIEING or TYING, TIED. |
| HAO | A monetary unit of Vietnam > HAOS. | TIG | To touch > TIGS, TIGGING, TIGGED. |
| HAP | To happen by chance > HAPS, HAPPING, HAPPED. | TIK | The drug methamphetamine in crystal form > TIKS. |
| HAS | (3rd pers sing. pres.) HAVE. | TIL | Sesame > TILS. |
| HAT | To provide with a hat > HATS, HATTING, HATTED. | TIN | To coat with tin > TINS, TINNING, TINNED. |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { HA } \\ \mathrm{W} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | To make indecisive noises > HAWS, HAWING, HAWED. | TIP | A gratuity; a helpful piece of advice; (verb) to give a tip > TIPS, TIPPING, TIPPED or (obs.) TIPT. |
| HAY | To make hay > HAYS, HAYING, HAYED. | TIS | (PI.) TI, a kind of tree. |
| HEH | A Hebrew letter > HEHS. | TIT | To tug > TITS, TITTING, TITTED. |
| HEM | An edge or border; (verb) to form a hem on > HEMS, HEMMING, HEMMED. | TIX | (SI.) tickets. |
| HEN | To challenge to a daring act > HENS, HENNING, HENNED. | TIZ | A state of confusion > TIZES. |
| HEP | A rosehip > HEPS. | TOC | Telecommunications code for the letter 'T' > TOCS. |
| HER | Pronoun representing a female person or thing. | TOD | To yield a tod, an old wool weight > TODS, TODDING, TODDED. |
| HES | (PI.) HE, a male person. | TOE | A digit on the end of a foot; (verb) to kick or touch with the toes > TOES, TOEING, TOED. |
| HET | A heterosexual > HETS. | TOG | To dress > TOGS, TOGGING, TOGGED. |
| HEW | To cut with blows > HEWS, HEWING, HEWN, HEWED. | TOM | A male cat; (verb) to engage in prostitution > TOMS, TOMMING, TOMMED. |
| HEX | To bring misfortune > HEXES, HEXING, HEXED. | TON | A unit of weight > TONS. |
| HEY | To dance a hey, a winding country dance > HEYS, HEYING, HEYED. | TOO | Also; excess. |
| HIC | Interj. representing a hiccup. | TOP | The highest point; (verb) to cover the top; to surpass > TOPS, TOPPING, TOPPED. |
| HID | (Pt.) HIDE, to conceal. | TOR | A hill > TORS. |
| HIE | To hurry along > HIES, HIEING or HYING, HIED. Also HYE. | TOT | A small child or drink; (verb) to add or total > TOTS, TOTTING, TOTTED. |
| HIM | Pronoun or noun representing a male person or thing > HIMS. | TOW | To pull along (behind) > TOWS, TOWING, TOWED. |
| HIN | A Hebrew liquid measure > HINS. | TOY | An object for playing with; (verb) to play idly with > TOYS, TOYING, TOYED. |
| HIP | Trendy > HIPPER, HIPPEST; HIPLY; (verb) to carry on the hip > HIPS, HIPPING, HIPPED or HIPT. | TRY | To attempt; to make an effort > TRIES, TRYING, TRIED or (obs.) TRIDE. |
| HIS | Of or belonging to a male person or thing. | TSK | To utter such an exclamation of annoyance > TSKS, TSKING, TSKED. |
| HIT | To strike > HITS, HITTING, HIT. | TUB | To bathe in a tub > TUBS, TUBBING, TUBBED. |


| $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \mathrm{HM} \\ \mathrm{M} \end{array}$ | Interj. expressing thoughtful consideration. Also HM. | TUG | To pull forcibly > TUGS, TUGGING, TUGGED. |
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| HOA | To stop > HOAS, HOAING, HOAED. | TUI | A New Zealand bird > TUIS. |
| HOB | To furnish with hobnails > HOBS, HOBBING, HOBBED. | TUM | (Coll.) stomach > TUMS. |
| HOC | (Lat.) this. | TUN | To put in a tun, a large task > TUNS, TUNNING, TUNNED. |
| HOD | To bob or jog > HODS, HODDING, HODDED. | TUP | Of a ram, to copulate > TUPS, TUPPING, TUPPED. |
| HOE | A tool for loosening the earth; (verb) to use a hoe > HOES, HOEING, HOED. | TUT | To say 'tut' > TUTS, TUTTING, TUTTED. |
| HOG | A kind of pig; (verb) to use selfishly > HOGS, HOGGING, HOGGED. | TUX | (Abbr.) tuxedo, a dinner jacket > TUXES. |
| HOH | (Obs.) to stop > HOHS, HOHING, HOHED. | TWA | (Scots) two > TWAS. |
| HOI | Interj. used to attract attention. | TWO | The next whole number after one > TWOS. |
| HOM | (Persian) a sacred plant of the ancient Persians > HOMS. Also HOMA. | TWP | (Welsh) dim-witted or stupid. |
| HON | (Abbr.) honey, as a term of endearment > HONS. | TYE | To wash in a tye trough > TYES, TYEING, TYED. |
| HOO | (Shakespeare) interj. expressing boisterous emotion. | TYG | An old drinking-cup with two or more handles > TYGS. |
| HOP | To leap on one leg > HOPS, HOPPING, HOPPED. | UDO | A Japanese species of aralia > UDOS. |
| HOS | (PI.) HO, an interjection. | UDS | Old interj. meaning "God Save". |
| HOT | Very warm > HOTTER, HOTTEST; HOTLY; (verb) to heat > HOTS, HOTTING, HOTTED. | UEY | A U-turn > UEYS. |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \mathrm{HO} \\ \mathrm{~W} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | A manner or means > HOWS. | UFO | An unidentified flying object > UFOS. |
| HOX | (Shakespeare) to hamstring > HOXES, HOXING, HOXED. | UGH | An old representation of a cough or grunt > UGHS. |
| HOY | To incite > HOYS, HOYING, HOYED. | UGS | (3rd.) UG, to loathe. |
| HUB | The centre of a wheel > HUBS. | UKE | A ukulele > UKES. |
| HUE | A colour or tint > HUES, HUED (having a HUE). | ULE | A Central American rubber tree > ULES. |
| HUG | To embrace > HUGS, HUGGING, HUGGED. | ULU | An Eskimo knife > ULUS. |
| HUH | Interj. expressing non-understanding. | UME | (Japanese) a fleshy yellow fruit, similar to an apricot but having a sour flavour, used mainly to make drinks, preserves, and sauces > UMES. |
| HUI | A Maori gathering > HUIS. | UMM | Interjection expressing doubt or hesitation. |
| HUM | To make a sound like bees > HUMS, HUMMING, HUMMED. | UMP | To umpire > UMPS, UMPING, UMPED. |
| HUN | A barbarous and destructive person > HUNS. | UMS | (3rd.) UM, to say um. |
| HUP | To turn a horse to the right > HUPS, HUPPING, HUPPED. | UMU | (Maori) a type of oven > UMUS. |
| HUT | To settle in a hut > HUTS, HUTTING, HUTTED. | UNI | (Coll.) university > UNIS. |
| HYE | To hasten > HYES, HYING or HYEING, HYED. | UNS | (PI.) UN, one. |


| HYP | To offend > HYPS, HYPPING, HYPPED (HYPING and HYPED exist, from HYPE). | UPO | Upon. |
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| ICE | Frozen water; (verb) to cool with ice > ICES, ICING, ICED. | UPS | (3rd.) UP, to move up. |
| ICH | To eke > ICHES, ICHING, ICHED. Also ECH. | URB | An urban area > URBS. |
| ICK | Interj. used to express disgust. | URD | An Indian bean > URDS. |
| ICY | Covered with ice > ICIER, ICIEST; ICILY. | URE | An extinct wild ox > URES. |
| IDE | A type of fish > IDES. | URN | To place in an urn > URNS, URNING, URNED. |
| IDS | (PI.) ID, a term in psychology. | URP | (SI.) to vomit > URPS, URPING, URPED. |
| IFF | 'If and only if' as used in logic. | USE | To put to some purpose > USES, USING, USED. |
| IFS | (PI.) IF, a condition. | UTA | Any of a genus of large lizards > UTAS. |
| IGG | To ignore, snub > IGGS, IGGING, IGGED. | UTE | (Abbr.) utility, a small truck > UTES. |
| ILK | A type or kind > ILKS. | UTS | (PI.) UT, a musical note. |
| ILL | Unwell > ILLER, ILLEST; ILLY; (noun) harm, misfortune > ILLS. | UTU | (Maori) a Maori settlement of a debt > UTUS. |
| IMP | To engraft (a hawk) with new feathers > IMPS, IMPING, IMPED. | UVA | A grape or grape-like berry > UVAE or UVAS. |
| ING | A meadow, esp one beside a river > INGS. | VAC | A vacation; (verb) to clean with a vacuum cleaner > VACS, VACKING, VACKED. |
| INK | A coloured liquid used in writing; (verb) to colour with ink > INKS, INKED, INKING. | VAE | In Orkney or Shetland, a bay or creek > VAES. Also VOE. |
| INN | A hostelry; (verb) to put up at an inn > INNS, INNING, INNED. | VAG | (Aust. sl.) to arrest someone for vagrancy > VAGS, VAGGING, VAGGED. |
| INS | (3rd.) IN, to take in. | VAN | To go or send in a van > VANS, VANNING, VANNED. |
| ION | An electrically charged particle > IONS. | VAR | A unit of reactive power > VARS. |
| IOS | (PI.) IO, a cry of 'io'. | VAS | (Lat) a duct carrying liquid . |
| IRE | To anger > IRES, IRING, IRED. | VAT | To put or treat in a vat > VATS, VATTING, VATTED. |
| IRK | To annoy or weary > IRKS, IRKING, IRKED. | VAU | An obsolete letter in the Greek alphabet > VAUS. |
| ISH | Legal word meaning issue or expiry > ISHES. | VAV | (Hebrew) a Hebrew letter > VAVS. Also VAW. |
| ISM | Any distinctive theory or fad > ISMS. | VAW | (Hebrew) a Hebrew letter > VAWS. Also VAV. |
| ISO | (Abbr.) isolated replay, a TV and film facility > ISOS. | VAX | (Short for) vaccination or vaccine > VAXES. |
| ITA | The miriti palm > ITAS. | VEE | The letter 'V' > VEES. |
| ITS | Of or belonging to something. | VEG | A vegetable > VEGES; (verb) to laze about, to engage in mindless activity > VEGGES, VEGGED, VEGGING. |
| IVY | A climbing evergreen plant > IVIES, IVIED. | VET | To examine closely > VETS, VETTING, VETTED. |
| IWI | (Maori) a tribe: the pl. IWIS was already valid meaning 'in truth'. | VEX | To distress or annoy > VEXES, VEXING, VEXED or (obs.) VEXT. |
| JAB | To poke or stab > JABS, JABBING, JABBED. | VIA | (Lat.) a road > VIAE or VIAS. |


| JAG | A sharp projection; to pierce > JAGS, JAGGING, JAGGED. | VID | (Abbr.) video > VIDS. |
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| JAI | (Hindi) victory (to). No -S. | VIE | To contend in rivalry > VIES, VYING, VIED. |
| JAK | An East Indian tree > JAKS. | VIG | A vigorish, a charge paid to a bookie on a bet > VIGS. |
| JAM | A conserve made with fruit and sugar; (verb) to block up > JAMS, JAMMING, JAMMED. | VIM | Energy, vigour > VIMS. |
| JAP | (verb) short form of japan, to apply a black lacquer to > JAPS, JAPPING, JAPPED. | VIN | (Fr.) wine > VINS. |
| JAR | A wide-mouthed container; (verb) to put in jars > JARS, JARRING, JARRED. | VIS | (Lat.) force > VIRES. |
| JAW | To chatter at length > JAWS, JAWING, JAWED. | VLY | Low-lying wet ground, a swamp > VLIES. |
| JAY | A bird of the crow family > JAYS. | VOE | In Orkney or Shetland, a bay or creek > VOES. Also VAE. |
| JEE | Of horses, to urge on > JEES, JEEING, JEED. Also GEE. | VOG | Air pollution caused by volcanic dust > VOGS. |
| JET | A stream of liquid; a jetplane; (verb) to travel by jet > JETS, JETTING, JETTED. | VOL | In heraldry, two wings displayed and conjoined > VOLS. |
| JEU | (Fr.) a game > JEUX. | VOM | (Short for) to vomit > VOMS, VOMMING, VOMMED. |
| JEW | To haggle, get the better of > JEWS, JEWING, JEWED. | VOR | To warn > VORS, VORRING, VORRED. |
| JIB | To show objection > JIBS, JIBBING, JIBBED. | VOW | A solemn promise; (verb) to make a vow or vows > VOWS, VOWING, VOWED. |
| JIG | A lively dance; (verb) to dance a jig; to jump up and down > JIGS, JIGGING, JIGGED. | VOX | (Lat.) a voice > VOCES. |
| JIN | A supernatural being in Muslim mythology > JINS. | VUG | A cavity in a rock > VUGS. Also VUGG, VUGH. |
| JIZ | A wig > JIZZES. Also GIZZ. | VUM | To vow > VUMS, VUMMING, VUMMED. |
| JOB | A task, an employment; (verb) to work at jobs > JOBS, JOBBING, JOBBED. | WAB | A web > WABS. |
| JOE | (Scots) a sweetheart > JOES. Also JO. | WAD | To form into a wad > WADS, WADDING, WADDED. |
| JOG | To run at a slow, steady pace > JOGS, JOGGING, JOGGED. | WAE | (Scots) woe > WAES. |
| JOL | (S. Afr.) to have a good time > JOLS, JOLING, JOLED. | WAG | To move from side to side > WAGS, WAGGING, WAGGED. |
| JOR | The second movement of a raga > JORS. | WAI | (Maori) water > WAIS. |
| JOT | A little bit; (verb) to note down > JOTS, JOTTING, JOTTED. | WAN | Pale > WANNER, WANNEST; WANLY; (verb) to make or become wan > WANS, WANNING, WANNED. |
| JOW | To toll a bell > JOWS, JOWING, JOWED. | WAP | To throw or pull quickly > WAPS, WAPPING, WAPPED. |
| JOY | (Obs.) to rejoice > JOYS, JOYING, JOYED. | WAR | (Obs.) worse > WARST, WAURST; (noun) a state of conflict; (verb) to make war > WARS, WARRING, WARRED. |
| JUD | A mass of coal > JUDS. | WAS | (Pt.) BE. |
| JUG | A pottery jar; (verb) to stew in a jug > JUGS, JUGGING, JUGGED. | WAT | A Thai Buddhist temple or monastery > WATS. |


| JUN | A coin of North Korea > JUN. No -S. | WAW | (Spenser) a wave > WAWS. |
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| JUS | A Latin word for a law or legal right > JURA. | WAX | A fatty substance; (verb) to treat with wax; to grow larger > WAXES, WAXING, WAXED or (obs) WOX. |
| JUT | To project > JUTS, JUTTING, JUTTED. | WAY | (Spenser) to weigh, esteem > WAYS, WAYING, WAYED. |
| KAB | An ancient Hebrew unit of measure > KABS. | WAZ | (Slang) to urinate > WAZZES, WAZZING, WAZZED. |
| KAE | To serve > KAES, KAING or KAEING, KAED. | WEB | A fine structure spun by a spider; (verb) to envelop with a web > WEBS, WEBBING, WEBBED. |
| KAF | A Hebrew letter > KAFS. Also KAPH. | WED | To marry > WEDS, WEDDING, WEDDED. |
| KAI | In New Zealand, a meal > KAIS. | WEE | Small > WEER, WEEST; (verb) to urinate > WEES, WEEING, WEED. |
| KAK | (S. Afr.) faeces, rubbish > KAKS. | WEM | (Arch.) the womb or belly > WEMS. Also WAME. |
| KAM | Awry, twisted, distorted. | WEN | A sebaceous cyst > WENS. |
| KAS | (PI.) KA, the spirit or soul. | WET | Not dry > WETTER, WETTEST; WETLY; (verb) to make wet > WETS, WETTING, WETTED. |
| KAT | An East African shrub > KATS. Also QAT, KHAT. | WEX | (Obs.) to wax, grow > WEXES, WEXING, WEXED. Also WEXE. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{KA} \\ & \mathrm{~W} \end{aligned}$ | To caw > KAWS, KAWING, KAWED. | WEY | A measure for dry goods > WEYS. |
| KAY | The letter 'K' > KAYS. | WHA | (Scots) who. |
| KEA | A large New Zealand parrot > KEAS. | WHO | Pronoun used in referring to a person or people. |
| KEB | To give birth to a stillborn lamb > KEBS, KEBBING, KEBBED. | WHY | The reason or cause of something > WHYS. |
| KED | A wingless fly that infests sheep > KEDS. | WIG | To scold; to provide with a wig > WIGS, WIGGING, WIGGED. |
| KEF | A drug that produces a dreamy repose > KEFS. Also KIF. | WIN | To gain > WINS, WINNING, WON; to winnow > WINS, WINNING, WINNED. |
| KEG | A small cask; (verb) to put in kegs > KEGS, KEGGING, KEGGED. | WIS | (Sham arch.) to know. Also WIST. |
| KEN | To know > KENS, KENNING, KENNED or KENT. | WIT | (Arch.) to know > WITS, WITTING, WITTED. |
| KEP | (Scots) to catch > KEPS, KEPPING, KEPPED, KEPPIT, KEPPEN, KIPPEN. | WIZ | A very skilful person > WIZES or WIZZES. |
| KET | (Scots) carrion, rotting flesh > KETS. | WOE | Misery > WOES. |
| KEX | A dry stalk > KEXES. | WOF | (Aust. sl.) a fool, idiot > WOFS. |
| KEY | An instrument for locking; (verb) to enter (data) into a computer > KEYS, KEYING, KEYED. | WOG | An offensive word for a nonwhite foreigner > WOGS. |
| KHI | A Greek letter > KHIS. Also CHI. | WOK | A pan used in Chinese cookery > WOKS. |
| KID | A young goat; a child; (verb) to hoax or deceive > KIDS, KIDDING, KIDDED. | WON | To dwell > WONS, WONNING, WONNED or WONT. |


| KIF | A drug that produces a dreamy repose > KIFS. Also KEF. | WOO | To court; to seek the support of > WOOS, WOOING, WOOED. |
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| KIN | One's relations > KINS. | WOP | To thump > WOPS, WOPPING, WOPPED. Also WHOP, WHAP. |
| KIP | A nap; to have a nap or sleep > KIPS, KIPPING, KIPPED. | WOS | (PI.) WO, woe. |
| KIR | A wine and blackcurrant drink > KIRS. | WOT | (Arch.) to know > WOTS, WOTTEST, WOTTETH, WOTTING, WOTTED. |
| KIS | (PI.) KI, the spirit of Japanese martial art. | WOW | To impress > WOWS, WOWING, WOWED. |
| KIT | To outfit, provide with equipment > KITS, KITTING, KITTED. | WOX | (Obs.) past tense of WAX, to grow. |
| KOA | A Hawaiian acacia > KOAS. | WRY | Twisted > WRIER or WRYER, WRIEST or WRYEST; (verb) to give a twist to > WRIES, WRYING, WRIED. |
| KOB | An African waterbuck > KOBS. | WUD | (Scots) wood; (verb) to load with wood > WUDS, WUDDING, WUDDED. |
| KOI | (Japanese) a large Japanese carp > KOIS. | WUS | A Welsh term used for addressing a companion > WUSES (WUSSES exists as plural of WUSS). |
| KON | (Spenser) to know > KONS, KONNING, KOND. | WUZ | A nonstandard spelling of was. |
| KOP | A South African word for hill > KOPS. | WYE | The letter 'Y' > WYES. |
| KOR | A Hebrew unit of measure $>$ KORS. | WYN | A rune, having the value of modern English 'w' > WYNS. |
| KOS | An Indian measure of distance > KOSES (KOSSES exists as pl. of KOSS). Also COSS, KOSS. | XED | Past tense of a verb X, to cross out. But note the participle is X'ING. |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \mathrm{KO} \\ \mathrm{~W} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | A bunch of twigs > KOWS. | XIS | (PI.) XI, a Greek letter. |
| KUE | The letter Q > KUES. | YAD | (Hebrew) a hand-held pointer used for reading the Torah > YADS. |
| KYE | Cows, cattle. Also KY. A Korean-American commercial club > KYES. | YAE | (Scots) ae. |
| KYU | A novice grade in judo > KYUS. | YAG | A type of synthetic garnet containing yttrium and aluminium, used in lasers and as a gem > YAGS. |
| LAB | (Abbr.) laboratory > LABS. | YAH | A variant of YEA, an affirmative vote > YAHS. |
| LAC | A dark-red resin > LACS. | YAK | To talk persistently > YAKS, YAKKING, YAKKED. |
| LAD | A boy or youth > LADS. | YAM | A sweet potato > YAMS. |
| LAG | A delay; (verb) to fall behind > LAGS, LAGGING, LAGGED. | YAP | To bark sharply or constantly > YAPS, YAPPING, YAPPED. |
| LAH | A musical note > LAHS. Also LA. | YAR | Nimble > YARER, YAREST. Also YARE. |
| LAM | To beat > LAMS, LAMMING, LAMMED. | YAS | Plural of YA, an Asian pear. |
| LAP | A circuit of a race track; (verb) to scoop up with the tongue > LAPS, LAPPING, LAPPED. | YAW | To deviate from a course > YAWS, YAWING, YAWED. |
| LAR | The god relating to a house > LARES or LARS. | YAY | A variant of YEA, an affirmative vote > YAYS. |


| LAS | (PI.) LA, a musical note. | YEA | An affirmative vote > YEAS. |
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| LAT | (Abbr.) latrine > LATS; a Latvian unit of currency > LATI or LATU. | YEH | (Coll.) yes. Also YEAH. |
| LAV | (Abbr.) LAVATORY > LAVS. | YEN | To desire or yearn > YENS, YENNING, YENNED. |
| LAW | (Scots) low > LAWER, LAWEST; (obs.) to take to court > LAWS, LAWING, LAWED. | YEP | (Coll.) yes. Also YUP. |
| LAX | Slack, careless > LAXER, LAXEST; LAXLY; (noun) a kind of salmon > LAXES. | YER | Colloquial for you or your. |
| LAY | To deposit, place horizontal > LAYS, LAYING, LAID or (in special senses) LAYED. | YES | An affirmative reply > YESES; (verb) to give an affirmative reply to > YESSES, YESSING, YESSED. |
| LEA | A meadow or pasture > LEAS. Also LEY. | YET | In addition, besides; nevertheless. |
| LED | (Pt.) LEAD, to conduct. | YEW | A type of evergreen tree > YEWS. |
| LEE | (Scots) to tell a lie > LEES, LEEING, LEED. | YEX | To hiccup or belch > YEXES, YEXING, YEXED. Also YESK. |
| LEG | A limb for walking and standing; (verb) to walk briskly > LEGS, LEGGING, LEGGED. | YEZ | Colloquial for yes. |
| LEI | A garland or wreath > LEIS. | YGO | (Spenser) past tense of go. |
| LEK | An Albanian unit of currency > LEKE or LEKU; a piece of ground where blackcock gather and display; (verb) to perform such a display > LEKS, LEKKING, LEKKED. | YID | An offensive term for a Jew > YIDS. |
| LEP | (Dial.) to leap > LEPS, LEPPING, LEPPED or LEPT. | YIN | (Scots) one > YINS. |
| LES | (Abbr.) lesbian > LESES. Also LEZ, LEZZ. | YIP | To give a short, sudden cry > YIPS, YIPPING, YIPPED. |
| LET | To allow > LETS, LETTING, LET or (Scots) LOOT; (Scots) LITTEN, LOOTEN, LUTTEN; to hinder > LETS, LETTING, LETTED. | YOB | A lout > YOBS. |
| LEU | A unit of Romanian currency > LEU. No -S. | YOD | A Hebrew letter > YODS. |
| LEV | A unit of Bulgarian currency > LEVA. Also LEW. | YOK | To laugh > YOKS, YOKKING, YOKKED. Also YUK. |
| LEW | A unit of Bulgarian currency > LEVA. Also LEV. | YOM | A Jewish day > YOMIM. |
| LEX | (Lat.) law > LEXES or LEGES. | YON | Yonder. |
| LEY | A meadow > LEYS. Also LEA. | YOU | Pronoun referring to the person being addressed; informally in plural context YOUS. |
| LEZ | (Abbr.) lesbian > LEZES or LEZZES. Also LES, LEZZ. | YOW | To yowl, howl > YOWS, YOWING, YOWED. |
| LIB | To geld > LIBS, LIBBING, LIBBED. | YUG | One of the four Hindu ages of the world > YUGS. Also YUGA. |
| LID | To provide with a lid > LIDS, LIDDING, LIDDED. | YUK | To laugh > YUKS, YUKKING, YUKKED. Also YOK. |
| LIE | A false statement; to tell a lie > LIES, LYING, LIED; to be in a horizontal position > LIES, LYING, LAIN, LAY. | YUM | Interj. expressing satisfaction. |
| LIG | To lie about, idle > LIGS, LIGGING, LIGGEN, LIGGED. | YUP | (Coll.) yes. Also YEP. |
| LIN | To cease > LINS, LINNING, LINNED. | YUS | (PI.) YU, a kind of jade. |


| LIP | To touch with the lips > LIPS, LIPPING, LIPPED. | ZAG | To change direction on a zig-zag course > ZAGS, ZAGGING, ZAGGED. |
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| LIS | A fleur-de-lis > LIS. | ZAP | To destroy > ZAPS, ZAPPING, ZAPPED. |
| LIT | A monetary unit of Lithuania > LITS. Also LITAS. | ZAS | (PI.) ZA, pizza. |
| LOB | To throw gently > LOBS, LOBBING, LOBBED. | ZAX | A chopper for trimming slate > ZAXES. Also SAX, ZEX. |
| LOD | A statistic relating to the odds of an event > LODS. | ZEA | Part of a cereal, once used as a diuretic > ZEAS. |
| LOG | To enter into a record > LOGS, LOGGING, LOGGED. | ZED | The letter 'Z' > ZEDS. |
| LOO | To love > LOOS, LOOING, LOOED. Also LOU. | ZEE | American form of ZED > ZEES. |
| LOP | To cut off unnecessary parts > LOPS, LOPPING, LOPPED. | ZEK | An inmate of a labour camp in the former USSR > ZEKS. |
| LOR | Colloq. for lord, interj. expressing surprise. | ZEL | An oriental cymbal > ZELS. |
| LOS | (Obs.) praise, reputation. Also LOOS | ZEN | A state of calm attentiveness > ZENS. |
| LOT | To allot > LOTS, LOTTING, LOTTED. | ZEP | A long sandwich > ZEPS. |
| LOU | (Scots) to love > LOUS, LOUING, LOUED. Also LOO. | ZEX | A chopper for trimming slate > ZEXES. Also SAX, ZAX. |
| LOW | Not high > LOWER, LOWEST; LOWLY; (verb) to make the noise of cattle > LOWS, LOWING, LOWED. | ZHO | A cross between a yak and a cow $>$ ZHOS. Also DSO, DZHO, DZO, ZO. |
| LOX | Liquid oxygen; (verb) to supply with lox > LOXES, LOXING, LOXED. | ZIG | To change direction on a zig-zag course > ZIGS, ZIGGING, ZIGGED. |
| LOY | A long, narrow spade > LOYS. | ZIN | (Abbr.) ZINFANDEL, a kind of grape > ZINS. |
| LUD | (Obs.) lord > LUDS. | ZIP | To fasten with a zip > ZIPS, ZIPPING, ZIPPED. |
| LUG | To pull or drag with difficulty > LUGS, LUGGING, LUGGED. | ZIT | A pimple > ZITS. |
| LUM | (Scots) a chimney > LUMS. | ZIZ | To take a nap > ZIZZES, ZIZZING, ZIZZED. |
| LUN | A lee, sheltered place > LUNS. | ZOA | A plural of ZOON, a unified individual creature. |
| LUR | A Bronze Age trumpet > LURS. | ZOL | (S. Afr.) a cannabis cigarette > ZOLS. |
| LUV | Love, as a term of endearment > LUVS. | ZOO | A garden or park where animals are kept > ZOOS. |
| LUX | A unit of illumination > LUXES or LUCES; (verb) to clean with a vacuum cleaner > LUXES, LUXING, LUXED. | ZOS | (PI.) ZO, a cross beween a yak and a cow. |
| LUZ | A supposedly indestructible bone > LUZZES. | ZUZ | An ancient Palestinian coin > ZUZIM. |
| LYE | A short branch of a railway > LYES. | ZZZ | An interjection expressing sleep. Also ZZZS. |
| LYM | (Shakespeare) a leash, or lyam-hound > LYMS. |  |  |

