

# Definition Derby: ab



Read each -ab family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. blab	d	<i>Please don't blab about this to anyone.</i>	a. pat or touch lightly; a little bit
2. cab			b. to gash or puncture with a sharp object like a knife
3. crab			c. a tag or a label
4. dab			d. tell tales; gossip; spread rumors
5. drab			e. to take into custody
6. flab			f. a crust that forms over a sore
7. grab			g. fat or too much weight
8. lab			h. taxi; the enclosed part of a truck
9. nab			i. a short form of the word "laboratory;" a gold colored dog
10. scab			j. dull or colorless; plain
11. stab			k. an animal that lives in a shell; a grouch
12. tab			l. to take hold of suddenly; to seize or grab

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# Definition Derby: ace



Read each -ace family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. ace	c	<i>It takes hard work to become an ace pitcher.</i>	a. speed; to walk back and forth
2. brace			b. room; a gap; the universe
3. face			c. top player; expert at something; high card
4. grace			d. to substitute or use instead; to put back; return
5. lace			e. a location; to put or set in a spot
6. pace			f. to lose or be unable to find something;
7. place			g. elegance; beauty; pleasing movement
8. race			h. to hold steady or support
9. space			i. outline; to copy by following lines seen through paper
10. trace			j. to tie; open fabric of fine threads
11. misplace			k. a contest; speed; go fast;
12. replace			l. a person's features; to deal with courageously

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# Definition Derby: ack



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Word		Sentence	Definition
1. back	i	<i>Some people like to sit at the back of the room.</i>	a. ability or special talent
2. black			b. an imposter or a fake; a duck's sound
3. crack			c. to spank or slap; to make noises with lips when eating
4. knack			d. a stand or a shelf or hanging or storing things
5. lack			e. break or fracture; a sharp noise
6. pack			f. a large bag made of strong material
7. quack			g. not have; to be short of
8. rack			h. a hut or shed; a roughly built cabin
9. sack			i. the opposite of front
10. shack			j. to nibble; usually between regular meals
11. smack			k. the darkest of all colors
12. snack			l. to fill a suitcase or sack; a group or set

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# Definition Derby: ad



Read each -ad family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. ad	d	<i>Did you see the shoe sale ad in the paper?</i>	a. father; male parent
2. bad			b. the short form of the word <i>graduate</i>
3. clad			c. past tense of <i>have</i>
4. dad			d. commercial; poster; announcement
5. fad			e. a boy or a young man
6. grad			f. a small piece or a little bit of something
7. had			g. unhappy; gloomy; depressing
8. lad			h. notebook; cushion
9. mad			i. something that is popular for a short period of time
10. pad			j. wearing clothes; dressed
11. sad			k. awful; naughty; unpleasant; wrong; rotten or spoiled
12. tad			l. angry; annoyed; crazy

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# Definition Derby: ag



Read each -ag family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bag	k	<i>I brought my lunch to school in a paper bag.</i>	a. to fall behind or move less quickly
2. brag			b. droop; to sink or hang down; lose strength
3. drag			c. a small scrap of cloth
4. flag			d. to pester or irritate
5. gag			e. to boast or show off
6. lag			f. to wave or move quickly back and forth or from side to side
7. nag			g. a label; a children's chasing game
8. rag			h. to haul, pull or tow something heavy
9. sag			i. a banner or pennant
10. snag			j. to choke; muzzle; a joke or funny story
11. tag			k. sack; purse; a piece of luggage
12. wag			l. to catch, rip or tear on something

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# Definition Derby: ake



Read each -ake family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bake	<i>f</i>	<i>Let's bake a pizza for dinner tonight.</i>	a. not real; false
2. brake			b. a body of water surrounded by land
3. cake			c. to create or design something
4. fake			d. a garden tool used to gather leaves
5. flake			e. to shake or tremble
6. lake			f. to cook in an oven
7. make			g. to move quickly up and down to mix ingredients
8. quake			h. a long, scaly reptile that is often poisonous
9. rake			i. a baked dessert that usually has frosting on it
10. shake			j. to stop sleeping
11. snake			k. to stop or slow down a moving vehicle
12. wake			m. a crystal of snow

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# Definition Derby: ale



Read each -ale family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. gale	f	<i>There were gale force winds during the storm.</i>	a. an auction; reduced price
2. male			b. a large ocean mammal
3. pale			c. breathe out
4. sale			d. a person who tells the secrets of others
5. scale			e. opposite of male; having to do with women or girls
6. stale			f. a strong wind; windstorm
7. tale			g. breathe in air
8. whale			h. colorless; light
9. exhale			i. not fresh
10. female			j. weighing machine; one of many pieces covering a fish body
11. inhale			k. opposite of female; having to do with men or boys
12. tattletale			l. story; fable

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# Definition Derby: all



Read each -all family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. all	<i>g</i>	<i>All of us are going camping this weekend.</i>	a. shopping center
2. ball			b. a booth or a stand; stop or delay
3. call			c. a storm or gust of wind
4. fall			d. little; tiny; opposite of large
5. hall			e. divider or fence; barricade
6. mall			f. remember or bring to mind; to take back
7. small			g. every single one; the whole amount
8. squall			h. entry; passageway; a large room for gatherings ( <i>ex. for dining or music</i> )
9. stall			i. sphere; a round object used in games
10. tall			j. to telephone; shout or say loudly
11. wall			k. high or elevated
12. recall			l. tumble; trip over

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# Definition Derby: am



Read each -am family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. am	k	<i>I am very happy that we won the game today.</i>	a. the meat from the back leg or shoulder of a hog
2. clam			b. a male sheep
3. cram			c. trolley
4. ham			d. a kind of sweet potato
5. jam			e. to close with force
6. ram			f. a trick or a rip-off
7. scam			g. to stuff, pack, or fill up
8. scam			h. an animal with a soft body and a hinged shell
9. slam			i. blocked traffic; a food made of fruit and sugar
10. swam			j. the past tense of <i>swim</i>
11. tram			k. a form of the word <i>be</i> that is used with <i>I</i>
12. yam			l. run off; skedaddle

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# Definition Derby: ame



Read each -ame family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. blame	<i>j</i>	<i>I was not to blame for breaking the window!</i>	a. identical or alike
2. came			b. to train an animal; opposite of wild
3. fame			c. a title or label; what you can a person or an animal
4. flame			d. the quality of being well-known or being a celebrity
5. name			e. embarrass or disgrace
6. same			f. on fire; burning
7. shame			g. a name that is used instead of a person's real name
8. tame			h. developed into or grew to be
9. aflame			i. past tense of come
10. became			j. to find fault or hold responsible
11. defame			k. fire; a blaze; light given off by a fire
12. nickname			l. to insult or offend someone

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# Definition Derby: an



Read each -an family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. ban	e	<i>I was not to blame for breaking the window!</i>	a. the opposite of woman; a male adult
2. bran			b. past tense of the word <i>run</i> ; hurried
3. can			c. a cooking pot made of metal
4. clan			d. the outer covering of wheat and other grain; used in cereal
5. fan			e. forbid; disallow; prohibit
6. man			f. to set up or prepare for an event; an idea or design
7. pan			g. able to; know how to; a tin container
8. plan			h. a large, covered truck
9. ran			i. a light brown color; to become brown in the sun
10. scan			j. family; tribe; relatives
11. tan			k. to read quickly; to examine
12. van			l. admirer; something that moves air to cool it

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# Definition Derby: and



Read each -and family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. and	c	<i>I like peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, don't you?</i>	a. a special kind or type of product
2. band			b. opposite of sit; put up with
3. bland			c. as well as; in addition to; plus
4. brand			d. a thread or piece of hair; maroon
5. grand			e. arrive at an airport; earth or ground
6. hand			f. to develop or grow larger
7. land			g. a musical group; band or strip, usually of fabric
8. sand			h. plain or ordinary
9. stand			i. command or order; require
10. strand			j. large; wonderful
11. demand			k. to smooth (wood); tiny grains of crushed beach or desert rock
12. expand			l. pass to someone; applause; body part

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# Definition Derby: ank



Read each -ank family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bank	<i>h</i>	<i>I put part of my allowance in the bank every month.</i>	a. a clanging, knocking or clattering noise
2. blank			b. honest and open; truthful
3. clank			c. position, grade or level ( <i>ex. first</i> )
4. crank			d. to show gratitude or appreciation
5. drank			e. a trick or practical joke
6. frank			f. empty or clear
7. plank			g. large container to hold liquid or gas; an army combat vehicle
8. prank			h. a container or place to store money
9. rank			i. past tense of the word <i>sink</i> , went under water
10. sank			j. a flat piece of wood
11. tank			k. handle to turn a machine; a grouch
12. thank			l. past tense of the word <i>drink</i> , swallowed a liquid

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# Definition Derby: ap



Read each -ap family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. cap	<i>g</i>	<i>Most policemen wear a cap as part of their uniform.</i>	a. to flutter or wave; part of an envelope
2. chap			b. one time around the track; what you have when you sit
3. clap			c. a short sleep
4. flap			d. a chart or a diagram; shows cities, states, etc.
5. gap			e. a quick, sharp knock; a chanting music style
6. lap			f. a small piece; an argument
7. map			g. a cover or lid; a type of hat
8. nap			h. to cover a gift with paper and ribbon
9. rap			i. break or crack
10. scrap			j. a guy or man; gentleman
11. snap			k. an opening or a empty space
12. wrap			l. applaud; put your hands together

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# Definition Derby: ash



Read each -ash family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. ash	<i>h</i>	<i>Most baseball bats are made of ash because it's a strong wood..</i>	a. a sudden failure; an accident
2. bash			b. a spark or a flare; a sudden burst of light
3. cash			c. to smash or squash
4. clash			d. a wound or a deep cut
5. crash			e. hurry or rush off; a drop of spice; a line in print
6. dash			f. paper money; coins
7. flash			g. dish made of meat and veggies
8. gash			h. gray powder left after a fire; a kind of tree
9. hash			i. hives or itchiness
10. mash			j. to splatter and get water on
11. rash			k. punch or hit; to bump against
12. splash			l. not match; disagree strongly or fight

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# Definition Derby: at



Read each -at family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bat	e	<i>A bat is used to hit the ball in baseball.</i>	a. to talk or have a conversation
2. bat			b. level, even or smooth; having little or no air
3. brat			c. a covering for the head; a cap or bonnet
4. cat			d. to lightly touch or tap
5. chat			e. a strong wooden stick used in baseball
6. fat			f. a small carpet or rug
7. flat			g. a naughty child
8. hat			h. a small, furry pet that catches mice
9. mat			i. a rodent that looks like a large mouse
10. pat			j. past tense of the word <i>sit</i> ; took a seat
11. rat			k. overweight; cooking oil
12. sat			l. a small, furry animal that flies

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# Definition Derby: ate



Read each -ate family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. ate	d	<i>We ate lunch inside our classrooms today because it was raining.</i>	a. the day, month and year; a meeting between two people
2. crate			b. tardy; not on time: opposite of early
3. date			c. to shred, as in cheese
4. gate			d. past tense of the word <i>eat</i> ; had a meal
5. grate			e. a fence opening
6. hate			f. to glide on shoes with runners or wheels
7. late			g. speed or tempo; grade or value
8. plate			h. a rock used to make chalkboards and walkways
9. rate			i. to say firmly; condition
10. skate			j. a wooden or plastic storage box
11. slate			k. dislike; the opposite of love
12. state			l. a flat dish or platter;

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# Definition Derby: ay



Read each -ay family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bay	<i>d</i>	<i>We like to see the song called, "Down By the Bay."</i>	m. opposite of <i>night</i>
2. bray			n. might or perhaps will; fifth month
3. clay			o. dried grasses fed to farm animals
4. day			p. part of an ocean or lake that is partly surrounded by land
5. gray			q. to give money for something
6. hay			r. to squirt or apply a mist
7. may			s. have fun; a theater performance
8. pay			t. the sound of a donkey
9. play			u. earth baked and dried to make pottery and bricks
10. say			v. remain in one place; opposite of <i>go</i>
11. spray			w. to speak or pronounce words
12. stay			x. color made by mixing black and white

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# Definition Derby: ick



Read each -id family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. brick	j	<i>Dad made a brick walkway by the grass in the front yard.</i>	a. to hit with the foot
2. chick			b. a long, thin piece of wood from a tree; to attach
3. click			c. ill; opposite of well; having an illness
4. kick			d. opposite of thin
5. lick			e. a soft, clicking sound; a tiny animal that sucks blood
6. pick			f. done in a short time; fast
7. quick			g. a young chicken or bird
8. sick			h. move the tongue or something
9. stick			i. a clever act; a joke
10. thick			j. a block of clay; often used to build walls and walkways
11. tick			k. a light, snapping sound
12. trick			l. choose or select; to gather (as in berries)

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# Definition Derby: id



Read each -id family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bid	j	<i>Dad bid ten dollars for that old lamp.</i>	a. past tense of hide
2. did			b. a small child or a baby goat
3. grid			c. to slip or slide out of control
4. hid			d. a sea animal that looks like an octopus
5. kid			e. clear; do away with; to destroy
6. lid			f. did again
7. rid			g. in the middle of; among
8. skid			h. past tense of slide
9. slid			i. grating; web; crisscross
10. squid			j. offer to pay; give an order or a command
11. amid			k. past tense of do
12. redid			l. a movable cover; a protective eye covering

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# Definition Derby: ig



Read each -ig family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. big	i	<i>San Diego is a big city in California.</i>	a. the sweet fruit of a small tree; has many tiny seeds
2. brig			b. a farm animal that is grown for pork
3. dig			c. a hairpiece
4. fig			d. a military prison or jail
5. gig			e. cutting from a plant
6. jig			f. a branch or a small stick
7. pig			g. to fit a ship with sails
8. rig			h. to drink or guzzle
9. sprig			i. great in size or amount; large
10. swig			j. to turn the earth over with a shovel; excavate
11. twig			k. an appearance or performance, usually at a concert
12. wig			l. a fast and lively dance, usually with bagpipe music

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