

Letter D Vocabulary Words

with Definitions and Example Sentences



CVC words

- dab: to touch gently with something soft. "He will dab the paint on the paper."
- den: a wild animal's hidden home. "The fox goes back to its den."
- dig: to make a hole in the ground. "He likes to dig in the sandbox."
- dim: not bright or clear. "The light in the room was too dim to read."
- dip: to put something quickly into a liquid and take it out again.
"She likes to dip her cookies in milk."
- dot: a small round mark. "She put a dot at the end of the sentence."
- dud: something that fails. "The firework was a dud; it didn't explode."
- dug: past tense of dig. "He dug a hole yesterday."
- dry: not wet. "She hung her wet coat up to dry after the rain storm."

Simple Preschool Words

- dad: your father. "My dad reads me a story."
- dance: to move your body to music. "We like to dance together."
- dark: when there's little light. "It gets dark at night."
- day: the time when the sun is up. "We play outside during the day."
- deal: to distribute cards in a game/to get something at a lower price.. "It's your turn to deal the cards."/ "The toy was on sale, so I got a good deal on it."
- dent: when the surface of something has been pushed in slightly.
"The ball left a dent in the pillow."
- desk: a table you work at. "I draw pictures at my desk."
- dime: a ten-cent coin. "I found a dime on the ground."
- dish: a plate you eat on. "Put your dish in the sink when you finish eating."
- dirt: soil or earth. "We plant seeds in the dirt."

- dog: a furry four-legged animal that barks. "I have a dog named Spot."
- doll: a toy that looks like a person. "She plays with her doll every day."
- door: something you open to go in or out. "Please close the door behind you when you leave the house."
- drink: to take liquid into the mouth and swallow it. "She likes to drink water after playing."
- damp: slightly wet. "The grass was damp from the evening rain."
- do: to perform an action. "What will you do today?"

Kindergarten Words

- daisy: a type of white flower with a yellow center. "She picked a daisy in the field."
- dandelion: a yellow wildflower that turns into fluffy white seeds. "He blew the dandelion seeds into the air."
- dart: a small, thin object that can be thrown. "He threw the dart at the board."
- date: a specific day on the calendar. "Her birthday is on a special date."
- dear: a term of endearment for someone you love or care about deeply. "My dear friend, I appreciate you greatly."
- diary: a book where you can write your thoughts and experiences. "She writes in her diary every night."
- ding: a soft sound like a bell. "The ding of the oven timer means the cookies are done."
- dock: a place where boats are kept in the water. "They watched the boats at the dock."
- doe: a female deer. "The doe grazed in the meadow."
- dragon: a mythical creature that breathes fire. "He drew a dragon in art class."
- drum: a musical instrument you hit with sticks or your hands. "He plays the drum in music class."
- duckling: a young duck. "The duckling follows its mother around the pond."

- dusk: the time in the evening when it starts to get dark. "They went inside at dusk."
- drive: to operate and control the direction and speed of a motor vehicle. "She likes to drive the car along the coast to see the ocean."
- dive: to jump into water head first. "The dolphin loves to dive back into the water."
- drop: to let something fall. "She will drop the ball into the toy bin."

Elementary Words

- decade: a period of ten years. "She celebrated a decade of friendship with her best friend."
- decimal: a number that is not whole. "We learned about decimal numbers in math class."
- define: to explain the meaning of a word. "The teacher asked us to define the word 'decade'."
- delta: a landform where a river divides before entering a larger body of water. "The river widened as it approached the delta, branching out into many streams."
- dentist: a doctor who takes care of teeth. "I have an appointment with the dentist next week."
- deposit: to put money into a bank account. "He went to the bank to deposit his birthday money."
- design: to create a plan or drawing of something that will be made or built. "She wants to design her own clothes."
- detergent: a type of soap used to clean clothes or dishes. "We ran out of detergent for the laundry."
- diagram: a drawing that explains something. "The diagram showed how the machine works."
- dialect: a form of a language that is spoken in a particular area. "They spoke a dialect I was unfamiliar with."
- dinosaur: a large extinct reptile. "The T-Rex is a type of dinosaur."
- directory: a book or list of names, addresses, or other information. "We found the restaurant in the directory."

- difficult: something that is hard to do. "It's difficult to carry something heavy."
- diagnosis: the identification of an illness or other problem after studying what might be causing it. "The doctor gave a diagnosis after the examination."
- dilemma: a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options. "He faced a dilemma choosing between the two colleges."
- distinguished: successful or known for excellence. "The distinguished scientist received an award for her research."

Food Words

- dal: a dish made from lentils, peas, or beans. "Dal is a staple in Indian cuisine."
- danish: a sweet pastry. "He picked a cherry danish at the bakery."
- dates: sweet fruits that grow on palm trees. "She added dates to the salad for sweetness."
- dairy: products made from milk. "Cheese and yogurt are dairy foods."
- dessert: a sweet food typically eaten at the end of a meal. "For dessert, we're having ice cream."
- dijon: a type of mustard from Dijon, France. "Dijon mustard adds flavor to sandwiches."
- dill: an herb that adds flavor to food. "Dill is often used in pickles."
- dough: a mixture of flour, water, and other ingredients that is baked to make bread and pastries. "He used homemade dough for the pizza."
- dressing: a sauce added to salads. "She made a homemade dressing with olive oil and vinegar."
- drizzle: to pour a liquid over food in a thin stream. "She will drizzle chocolate sauce over the cake."
- dumpling: a small ball of dough that can be boiled, fried, or steamed. "Dumpling soup is her favorite."
- donut: a sweet, fried dough, often with a hole in the center. "I love chocolate-covered donuts."
- durian: a large, spiky fruit known for its strong odor. "He tried durian for the first time on his trip."

Animal Words

- dachshund: a breed of dog with a long body and short legs. "The dachshund barked at the mail carrier."
- darter: a type of bird known for diving into water to catch fish. "The darter emerged from the water with a fish."
- deer: a forest animal known for its graceful movements and antlers. "The deer jumped across the path."
- deer mouse: a small rodent with a white belly and big eyes, resembling a deer. "The deer mouse scurried across the field."
- dingo: a wild dog native to Australia. "The dingo is often seen in Australian deserts."
- discus: a tropical fish known for its bright colors and round shape. "The discus fish added beauty to the aquarium."
- dolphin: a smart marine mammal that can make clicking sounds. "The dolphin leaped out of the water."
- donkey: a sturdy animal with long ears, often used for carrying loads. "The donkey carried the supplies up the hill."
- dove: a white or grey bird symbolizing peace. "A dove flew over the rooftops."
- dragonfly: an insect with a long body and wings, known for its flying speed. "A dragonfly zipped over the lake."
- dromedary: a type of camel with one hump, used in desert areas. "The dromedary moved smoothly across the sand."
- duck: a bird that quacks and loves water. "The duck swims in the pond."

Object Words

- dagger: a short knife with a pointed and edged blade. "The pirate had a dagger tucked in his belt."
- daisy chain: a string of daisies tied together by their stems. "She made a daisy chain to wear as a necklace."
- dashboard: the panel facing the driver of a vehicle, containing instruments and controls. "The dashboard lights up when the car is started."

- database: a structured set of data held in a computer or server. "The customer information is stored in a database."
- decoder: a device or program that translates encoded data into its original format. "The spy used a decoder to read the secret message."
- dice: small cubes with sides bearing one to six spots, used in playing games. "He rolled the dice and hoped for a six."
- diorama: a model representing a scene with three-dimensional figures. "The museum featured a diorama of the ancient city."
- disinfectant: a chemical liquid that destroys bacteria. "She sprayed disinfectant on the countertops."
- diving board: a board projecting over deep water for diving, often found at a swimming pool. "He did a flip off the diving board."
- documentary: a movie, television, or radio program that provides a factual record or report. "They watched a documentary about lions."
- dumbbell: a short bar with a weight at each end, used typically in pairs for exercise. "She lifted dumbbells to strengthen her arms."

Places Words

- dale: a valley, especially in northern England. "The dale was filled with wildflowers in spring."
- dam: a structure built across a river to control the flow of water. "The dam provides electricity for the nearby towns."
- desert: a large, dry area of land with few plants and little rainfall. "The Sahara is the world's largest hot desert."
- diner: a small, casual restaurant. "They stopped at a diner for breakfast."
- disco: a nightclub for dancing to pop and disco music. "The disco was popular in the 1970s."
- dormitory: a large bedroom for a number of people in a school or institution. "She shared a dormitory with three other students in college."
- downtown: the main business district of a city or town. "They went downtown to explore the shops and restaurants."
- drive-in: a movie theater or restaurant where people can be served while staying in their cars. "They watched a movie at the drive-in movie theater."

dungeon: a strong underground prison cell, especially in a castle. "The old castle's dungeon was cold and dark."

Nature and Environment Words

daffodil: a yellow, bell-shaped flower that blooms in the spring.

"The garden was full of blooming daffodils."

damselfly: a slender-bodied insect of the dragonfly family, often found near water.

"A damselfly rested on the lily pad."

dawn: the time of day when light first appears in the sky before the sun rises.

"They woke up at dawn to watch the sunrise."

deciduous: referring to trees that shed their leaves annually. "Deciduous trees change color and lose their leaves in autumn."

dell: a small valley among trees. "They found a hidden dell during their hike in the forest."

drought: a long period without rain, causing a shortage of water.

"The drought has lasted for several months now."

driftwood: pieces of wood that are floating on the sea or have been washed ashore. "Driftwood can often be found along the beach."

dune: a hill of sand built by wind or water flow. "The dune provided a perfect spot to watch the sunset over the beach."

dust: fine particles of matter that settle on surfaces. "After the storm, dust settled on the windowsills."

Emotions and Traits

daring: showing a willingness to take risks; bold. "The knight was daring in his quest to save the kingdom."

dauntless: showing fearlessness and determination. "Her dauntless spirit inspired all who knew her."

dejected: sad and dispirited. "After losing the game, he felt dejected."

- delighted: feeling or showing great pleasure. "She was delighted to find her lost toy."
- demure: reserved, modest, and shy. "Her demure nature was apparent in large gatherings."
- dependent: relying on someone or something else for support. "Young ducklings are highly dependent on their mother."
- desolate: feeling or showing misery, unhappiness, or loneliness. "He felt desolate after his pet passed away."
- determined: having made a firm decision and being resolved not to change it. "She was determined to finish the marathon."
- devoted: very loving or loyal. "He is devoted to his family."
- diligent: having or showing care in one's work or duties. "She was diligent in her studies."
- discreet: being careful in one's speech or actions.. "He was discreet when discussing sensitive topics."
- disheartened: having lost determination or confidence; dispirited. "The team was disheartened after several losses."
- dismayed: feeling distress. "She was dismayed by the sad news."
- dynamic: characterized by constant change, activity, or progress. "A dynamic personality, she was always looking for new adventures."
- dedicated: devoted to a task or purpose. "The dedicated teacher stayed late to help students."
- dignified: having or showing a composed or serious manner that is worthy of respect. "She carried herself in a dignified manner during the ceremony."

Action Words

- dabble: to take part in an activity in a casual way. "He likes to dabble in painting on weekends."
- dart: to move or run somewhere suddenly or rapidly. "The dog's barking made the squirrel dart across the lawn."

- dash: to run quickly or suddenly. "Being late caused him to dash to catch the bus."
- debate: to discuss a topic in a formal manner with others. "They will debate the issue in class."
- decide: to make a choice among several options. "You need to decide what you want for lunch."
- decorate: to make something look more attractive by adding extra items. "Let's decorate the room for the party."
- defer: to postpone something to a later time. "They decided to defer the meeting until next week."
- delegate: to entrust a task or responsibility to another person. "She will delegate the tasks among her team members."
- delight: to please someone greatly. "Let's plan a surprise party to delight the birthday girl."
- deliver: to take goods, letters, parcels, etc., to people's houses or places of work. "The postman delivers mail every morning."
- demand: to ask for something forcefully. "I demand you to give me back my ball."
- demonstrate: to show or explain how something works or how to do something. "The chef will demonstrate how to prepare the dish."
- deny: to state that something declared is not true. "He will deny that he did anything wrong."
- depart: to leave, typically to start a journey. "The train departs at noon."