

Letter O Vocabulary Words

with Definitions and Example Sentences



3 Letter Words

- oak: a type of large tree with acorns. "The oak tree stood tall in the park."
- oar: a tool used to row a boat. "He paddled the boat with an oar."
- oats: a type of grain used for food. "She added oats to the cookies."
- odd: strange or unusual. "The rock has an odd shape."
- ode: a type of poem. "He wrote an ode to the sunset."
- off: to move away from something or someone. "He took his hat off of his head."
- oil: a slippery liquid often used in cooking. "She added olive oil to the salad dressing."
- old: not new or young. "The old paint was peeling off the house."
- one: the number after zero. "He has one apple."
- orb: a spherical shape or object. "The moon is an orb in the sky."
- our: belonging to us. "This is our house."
- out: not inside. "Let's go out to play."
- owl: a bird known for its wide, flat head, large eyes, and hunting small mammals at night. "The owl made a hooting sound at night."
- owe: to have an obligation to pay or repay. "I owe you ten dollars."
- own: to possess something. "She owns a red bike."

Simple Preschool Words

- of: used to express possession, belonging, or relationship to something. "He is a friend of mine."
- often: frequently; many times. "She often visits his grandparents."
- oh: used to express surprise, understanding, and other emotions. "Oh, I didn't see you there!"
- on: used to show that something is in contact with a surface. "The book is on the table."

- only: without others; solely or exclusively. "She only wanted the pink teddy bear."
- open: not closed or locked. "He can open the box."
- or: used to connect two or more options. "Would you like tea or coffee?"
- orange: a bright color, like that of the fruit. "Her favorite crayon is orange."
- oval: a shape like a stretched-out circle. "The table was shaped like an oval."
- oven: a device used for baking or roasting food. "He baked dinner in the oven."
- over: above, higher than, or covering something else.
"The bird flew over the trees."
- ox: a large animal that's often used for pulling heavy things; a type of cattle. "The farmer used an ox to pull the cart."

Kindergarten Words

- observe: to watch carefully. "They observe the different birds eating at the bird feeder."
- obstacle: something that gets in your way. "The big rock was an obstacle in their path."
- occur: to happen. "The meeting will occur at noon."
- octagon: a shape that has eight sides. "In school, they learned to draw an octagon."
- octopus: a sea animal with eight long arms. "The octopus can hide by changing its color."
- offer: to present something to someone to accept or reject. "He made an offer to help with the chores."
- omit: to leave out or remove. "She had to omit some details from the story due to time."
- once: one single time. "She has only been there once."
- only: one of its kind; single or solitary. "She is the only one who can help."
- onto: to move to a position that's on something. "He jumped onto the trampoline."

- orbit: the path one object takes around another. “The Earth is in orbit around the Sun.”
- order: to request something to be made or supplied. “She decided to order pizza for dinner.”
- organ: a part of the body that has a specific function, like the heart or liver. “The heart is an important organ.”
- owner: someone who possesses something. “The dog’s owner took it for a walk.”

Elementary Words

- obey: to follow instructions. “He must obey the school rules.”
- object: a material thing that can be seen and touched. “The object on the table is a vase.”
- obsolete: old and not used anymore. "The toy became obsolete a few years later."
- occasion: a special time or event. "They go out to eat when there’s a special occasion, like a birthday."
- October: the tenth month of the year. “Her birthday is in October.”
- odometer: a tool in a car that shows how many miles it has gone. "Mom looked at the odometer to see how far we drove."
- officer: a person holding a position of command. “The officer directed the crowd.”
- ominous: looking like something bad will happen. "The sky looked ominous before the storm."
- omnivore: an animal that eats both plants and other animals. "A bear is an omnivore because it eats berries and fish."
- online: being connected to the internet. “She researched her vacation online.”
- opinion: someone’s belief about something that isn’t necessarily fact. “He has a strong opinion about elephants being pets.”
- opponent: someone you play against in a game. "After the game, he shook hands with his opponent."

- opulent: being very fancy or showing richness and abundance. "The castle was filled with opulent furniture and decorations."
- orchestra: a group of people who play music together with different instruments. "She saw an orchestra play beautiful music."
- ordinary: with no special or unique features. "The cat looked very ordinary, with plain gray fur and no special markings."
- origami: the art of folding paper into shapes like birds or flowers. "They made origami birds with paper."
- origin: the point where something begins. "The origin of the river is in the mountains."
- other: refers to a person or thing that is different from something else. "The other car was red."
- ounce: a unit of weight. "She added an ounce of chocolate to the recipe."
- outcome: the result of an action or event. "The outcome of the game was a tie."
- ovation: clapping loudly for a long time to show you enjoyed a performance. "The singer got a big ovation after her song."
- overflow: to flow over the edges of something. "The river may overflow its banks during heavy rain."

Food Words

- oatcake: a type of flatbread made from oats that's popular in Scotland. "They served oatcakes with cheese as a snack."
- oatmeal: a breakfast food made from oats, water, or milk. "She eats oatmeal every morning."
- oat milk: a drink made from oats and water; substitute for dairy milk. "He poured oat milk into his cereal."
- okra: an edible seed pod that's often used in soups and stews. "She picked okra from the garden to use in a soup for dinner."
- olive: a small green, brown, or black fruit used in savory foods. "He added olives to the salad."

- olive oil: oil extracted from olives, used for cooking. “She drizzled olive oil onto the slices of bread.”
- omelet: eggs that are beaten and cooked so they can be filled with cheese, meat, or vegetables and folded in half. “She made a cheese omelet for breakfast.”
- onion: a vegetable with a strong flavor and smell. “She chopped an onion for the soup.”
- orange: a round, sweet citrus fruit with a thick skin that is peeled off before eating. "She peeled an orange for a snack."
- oregano: herb used in cooking. “He sprinkled dried oregano on the pizza.”
- orzo: a type of pasta shaped like large grains of rice. "She served orzo with her chicken dish."
- oxtail: the tail of a cow, used to make a rich soup or stew. "They enjoyed a hearty oxtail soup during dinner."
- oyster: a type of shellfish often eaten cooked or raw. “They enjoyed fresh oysters at the seafood restaurant.”

Animal Words

- ocelot: a wild cat with spotted fur that’s found in South America. “The ocelot prowled through the jungle.”
- okapi: an animal that looks like a cross between a zebra and a giraffe. "The okapi grazed on leaves in the forest."
- olm: a blind aquatic salamander that lives in caves. "The olm can live for many years without food."
- opossum: a small nocturnal animal with fur and a long tail that climbs trees. "The kids spotted an opossum in the tree."
- orangutan: a large ape with red-brown hair and long arms. "The orangutan swung from branch to branch."
- orca: a large black and white whale. “The orca jumped out of the water.”
- oriole: a colorful bird known for its bright colors and sweet song. "The oriole built a nest in the tree."

- osprey: a bird of prey that catches fish from the water. "The osprey dove into the lake to catch its meal."
- ostrich: a tall bird with a long neck and legs that cannot fly. "The ostrich ran fast across the field."
- otter: a small mammal with a long tail that lives in water. "The otter swam grace-

Object Words

- oboe: a woodwind musical instrument with a slender shape and a rich sound. "He learned to play the oboe in music class."
- ocarina: a small musical instrument shaped like a potato, played by blowing air into it. "She played a tune on her ocarina."
- oilcan: a container with a spout used for applying oil to machinery. "He used the oilcan to lubricate the hinges."
- ornament: a decoration used to beautify something. "They hung a shiny ornament on the Christmas tree."
- ottoman: a low, upholstered seat without a back or arms. "She put her feet up on the ottoman."
- outlet: an electrical point where you plug in devices to get power. "She plugged the lamp into the outlet."
- overalls: a type of clothing that covers the stomach, chest, and legs and has shoulder straps. "He wore overalls while working in the garden."
- overcoat: a long, heavy coat worn over clothes in cold weather. "He put on his overcoat because it was snowing."
- oxcart: a cart pulled by an ox, used historically for transporting goods. "They rode in an oxcart on the old village road."

Places Words

- oasis: a spot in a desert with water and plants. "They found an oasis in the middle of the desert."
- observatory: a place with a big telescope to look at stars and planets. "They visited the observatory to get a better view of the stars."
- office: a place where people work. "She goes to an office downtown for her job."
- oil rig: a structure used for drilling oil. "He worked on an oil rig in the ocean."
- opera: a place where people watch singers perform long music stories. "They saw a singer perform a beautiful song at the opera."
- orchard: a place where fruit trees are grown. "They visited an apple orchard."
- outskirts: the edges of a town or city. "Their house is on the outskirts of town, near the forest."
- overpass: a bridge that goes over a road. "The train went over the overpass while we waited below."

Nature and Environment Words

- obsidian: black or dark glass that's formed from cooling lava. "The arrowhead was made of obsidian."
- ocean: a large body of saltwater. "They went to the beach to swim in the ocean."
- offshore: located in the water a short distance from land. "The fishing boats anchored offshore to catch fish."
- opal: a precious stone that shimmers with different colors. "She wore a necklace with an opal on it."
- ore: a type of rock that contains minerals. "They mined ore from the mountain."
- orchid: a type of flower that grows in tropical climates. "She admired the colorful orchid at the botanical garden."
- organic: related to or derived from nature; not exposed to traditional farming chemicals. "They bought organic fruit from the local farmer."

- outcrop: a visible exposure of rock. "They climbed the rocky outcrop."
- outdoors: any area outside. "They spent the afternoon playing outdoors."
- overcast: covered with clouds. "The sky was overcast and gray."
- overgrowth: an excessive growth of plants and vegetation. "The abandoned lot was covered with overgrowth."
- oxbow: a U-shaped bend in a river. "The river formed an oxbow."
- oxygen: a gas that is essential for breathing. "Plants produce oxygen through photosynthesis."
- ozone: a form of oxygen high in the Earth's atmosphere that absorbs ultraviolet radiation from the sun. "The ozone layer helps to protect us from harmful sun rays."

Emotion and trait words

- obedient: willing to follow orders or instructions. "The dog was very obedient to its owner."
- observant: good at noticing things. "She was observant and saw details others missed."
- open-minded: willing to consider new ideas. "She was open-minded and listened to everyone's opinions."
- opinionated: having strong views. "He was very opinionated and liked to debate."
- optimistic: hopeful and confident about the future. "She was optimistic about her chances of winning the game."
- organized: a preference to have things arranged in an orderly way. "His desk was very organized."
- outgoing: friendly and socially confident. "She was outgoing and made friends easily."
- outrage: an extremely strong reaction of anger or shock. "The decision caused public outrage."
- overjoyed: extremely happy. "She was overjoyed by the surprise party."
- overwhelmed: feeling unable to cope with too much at once. "He felt overwhelmed by the amount of homework."

Action Words

- obtain: to get something. "He obtained a sticker for good behavior."
- occupy: to fill or take up space or time. "The books occupy the entire shelf."
- offend: to hurt someone's feelings. "He didn't mean to offend his friend with his words."
- operate: to control the functioning of something. "He learned how to operate the machine."
- opt: to make a choice. "She decided to opt for the vegetarian meal."
- optimize: to make the best use of a something. "They worked to optimize the website for better performance."
- oscillate: to swing back and forth. "The fan will oscillate to blow air around the room."
- overcome: to succeed in dealing with a problem. "She managed to overcome her fear of heights."
- overlook: to miss seeing something. "She overlooked her sock under the bed."
- overtake: to catch up with and pass. "The runner managed to overtake his competitor."