

Letter R Vocabulary Words

with Definitions and Example Sentences



CVC Words

- rag: a piece of old cloth. "He used a rag to clean the spill."
- ran: past tense of run. "She ran to catch the bus."
- rap: a quick, sharp knock. "He gave a rap on the door."
- red: a color similar to a ruby or tomato. "She wore a red dress."
- rid: to remove someone or something. "He wanted to get rid of the old furniture."
- rim: the edge of something circular. "She touched the rim of the glass."
- rip: to tear something. "He accidentally made a rip in his shirt."
- rot: to decay or decompose. "The fruit began to rot in the heat."
- row: to propel a boat with oars. "They will row across the lake."
- rub: to move over something with pressure. "She began to rub the sunscreen onto her skin."
- rug: a small carpet. "She placed a rug in the living room."
- run: to move swiftly on foot. "He likes to run in the park."

Simple Preschool Words

- race: a competition of speed. "She won the bike race."
- rain: water that falls from clouds in drops. "The sky got cloudy before it started to rain."
- real: something that truly exists. "She found a real treasure in the attic."
- rest: to cease work or movement in order to relax. "They decided to rest after the long hike."
- ring: a small circular band worn on a finger. "She showed off her new ring."
- rock: a solid material made of minerals. "They climbed the big rock."
- role: the part played by a person or thing. "She played the role of the queen in the play."

- rope: a length of strong cord made by twisting together strands of natural fibers. "They used a rope to tie the boat to the dock."
- roll: to move in one direction by turning over and over. "The ball began to roll down the hill."
- rules: a set of understood guidelines for how people should behave. "He explained the rules of playing baseball."

Kindergarten Words

- radio: a device that receives broadcast signals. "They listened to the news on the radio."
- raise: to lift or move something to a higher position. "She helped raise the flag."
- rate: a measure, quantity, or frequency. "They calculated the rate of growth."
- rattle: a toy that makes noise when shaken. "The baby played with a rattle."
- reach: to stretch out an arm to touch or grab something. "He tried to reach the top shelf."
- ready: prepared mentally or physically. "She was ready for the test."
- rectangle: a four-sided shape with opposite sides of the same length. "He drew a rectangle on the board."
- return: to go back to a place. "They will return home after the trip."
- ripe: a fruit or vegetable that's fully developed and ready to eat. "The bananas are ripe."
- risk: the possibility of loss or injury. "He took a big risk by pitching in the baseball game with no experience playing the sport."
- round: having a curved shape like a circle. "The table was round."

Elementary Words

- random: happening by chance or without planning. "The teacher picked a random name from the hat to choose who would go first."
- range: the difference between the lowest and highest numbers in a group of numbers. "They measured the range of temperatures."
- ranger: a person who takes care of a park or forest. "The ranger gave them a tour of the state park."
- rapid: happening at a fast pace. "They worked quickly and made rapid progress."
- rare: not occurring often; hard to find. "She has a rare collection of stamps."
- recycle: to convert garbage into reusable material. "They recycle paper and plastic."
- reduce: to make smaller or less in amount. "They need to reduce waste so they recycle."
- report: a spoken or written account of something. "She wrote a report on the experiment."
- resource: a stock or supply of materials. "Water is an important resource."
- rescue: to save someone from a dangerous situation. "Firefighters rescue people from a variety of dangerous situations."
- respond: to say something in reply. "She didn't know how to respond to his question."
- reward: something given in recognition of service, effort, or achievement. "She received a reward for her hard work."
- right: morally good or acceptable. "He made the right decision."

Food Words

- radish: a small, spicy root vegetable. "She added sliced radish to the salad."
- raisin: a dried grape. "He likes to snack on raisins."
- raspberry: a small, red, edible fruit. "She picked fresh raspberries."
- ravioli: pasta wrapped around ground meat, cheese, or vegetables. "They had ravioli for dinner."

- relish: a condiment eaten with food to add flavor. "He put dill pickle relish on his hot dog."
- rhubarb: a plant with large leaves and tart edible stalks often used in pies. "She made a rhubarb pie."
- rice: a cereal grain that is an important food for many people. "They served rice with chicken and broccoli."
- roast: to cook food by exposing it to heat for a long time. "The turkey took several hours to roast in the oven."
- roll: a small, rounded mass of bread. "She buttered a roll."
- rosemary: an herb used in cooking for its aromatic flavor. "She seasoned the chicken with rosemary."

Animal Words

- rabbit: a small mammal with long ears. "The rabbit hopped through the garden."
- raccoon: a nocturnal mammal known for its black mask and ringed tail. "They saw a raccoon near the trash cans."
- ram: a male sheep. "The ram had large, curved horns."
- rattlesnake: a poisonous snake known for the rattling sound its tail makes. "They spotted a rattlesnake in the desert."
- raven: a large, black bird known for its intelligence. "The raven cawed from the treetop."
- reindeer: a deer with large antlers found in northern regions. "Santa's sleigh is pulled by reindeer."
- rhino: short for rhinoceros, a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns. "They visited the rhino at the zoo."
- robin: a small bird with red feathers on its chest. "The robin sang in the morning."
- rodent: a small mammal such as a rat or a mouse. "Rodents often live in burrows in the ground."
- rooster: a male chicken known for crowing. "The rooster crowed at dawn."

Object Words

- racquet: an object with a round or oval frame used in tennis and other sports. "He hit the ball with his racket."
- raft: a flat structure for floating over water. "They built a raft to cross the river."
- rake: a tool used to gather leaves. "He used a rake to collect the leaves."
- ramp: a sloped surface joining two different levels. "They used a ramp to move the equipment."
- recipe: a set of instructions for preparing food. "She followed the recipe to bake a cake."
- ring: a small circular band worn on a finger. "She showed off her new ring."
- ruler: a tool used to measure length. "He used a ruler to figure out where to cut the wood."

Animal Words

- ranch: a large farm for raising animals. "They visited a cattle ranch in Wyoming."
- ravine: a deep, narrow gorge with steep sides. "They hiked along the ravine."
- reef: a ridge of rocks, sand, or coral near the surface of the water. "They went snorkeling near a coral reef in Australia."
- region: an area of land with characteristics making it different from other areas. "We live in a region where it snows a lot in the winter."
- reserve: a protected area for wildlife. "They visited a wildlife reserve."
- restaurant: a place where people pay to sit and eat meals that are prepared for them. "They had dinner at a new restaurant."
- road: an open path leading from one place to another that's often paved. "They drove down a long road to get home."
- room: a part of a building enclosed by walls, floor, and ceiling. "She cleaned her room."

Nature and Environment Words

- rainbow: an arc of colors visible in the sky caused by the refraction of sunlight. "They saw a rainbow after the storm."
- ray: a narrow beam of light. "The sun's rays shone through the window."
- river: a large, flowing body of water that usually empties into a lake or ocean. "They went swimming in the river."
- root: the part of a plant that attaches it to the ground and allows it to absorb water and nutrients. "The tree has deep roots."
- rose: a type of flowering shrub that often has thorns. "She picked a red rose from the garden."

Emotion and Trait Words

- radiant: sending out light; shining or glowing brightly. "Her smile was radiant on the day of her party."
- rational: based on reason or logic. "It is rational to wear a coat when it is cold outside."
- rebellious: showing a desire to resist authority. "The rebellious teen challenged the rules."
- regret: to feel sad or sorry about something "She felt regret over her decision to skip basketball tryouts."
- relaxed: free from tension and anxiety. "He felt relaxed after spending the day at the beach."
- reliable: consistently good in quality or performance; able to be trusted. "He is a reliable friend."
- relief: no longer feeling distressed or anxious. "She felt relief when her lost puppy was returned."
- respectful: showing politeness or mindfulness of others. "They were respectful to the people in the library and kept their voices down."
- responsible: being dependable; making good choices. "He is a responsible student and always gets his homework done on time."
- restless: unable to rest or relax due to boredom or anxiety. "He felt restless during the long car ride."

Action Words

- rant: to speak or shout at length in a wild way. "He began to rant about the unfair rules."
- read: to look at and understand the meaning of written or printed words. "He likes to read books before bed."
- research: to study or collect information on a certain subject. "She conducted research for her project on coral reefs."
- ride: to sit on or in a moving vehicle or animal to get to another place. "We'll ride the train to go visit your grandparents."
- rush: to move quickly. "She had to rush to finish her homework."