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## K

KIMONO                      IKMNOO                      loose robe  
**only nouns**, KIMONO, KIMONOS, and **adjective**, KIMONOED; **no -ING verb**

KIRTLE                      EIKLRT                      man's tunic or coat  
**only nouns**, KIRTLE, KIRTLES, and **adjective**, KIRTLED; **no -ING verb**

KNAR                      AKNR                      bump on tree  
**only nouns**, KNAR, KNARS, and **adjectives**, KNARRED, KNARRY; **no -ING verb**

KNOP                      KNOP                      knob  
**only nouns**, KNOP, KNOPS, and **adjective**, KNOPPED; **no -ING verb**

## L

LABIATE                      AABEILT                      labiated plant  
**only nouns**, LABIATE, LABIATES, and **adjective**, LABIATED; **no -ING verb**

LANATE                      AAELNT                      covered with wool  
**only adjectives**, LANATE, LANATED; **no other forms**

LANCET                      ACELNT                      narrow pointed arch  
**only nouns**, LANCET, LANCETS, and **adjective**, LANCETED; **no -ING verb**

LANGUE                      AEGLNU                      type of language  
**only nouns**, LANGUE, LANGUES, and **adjective**, LANGUED (having tongue of specified color); **no -ING verb**

LAPEL                      AELLP                      extension of collar of garment  
**only nouns**, LAPEL, LAPELS, and **adjectives**, LAPELED, LAPELLED; **no -ING verb**

LAPPET                      AELPPT                      decorative flap on garment  
**only nouns**, LAPPET, LAPPETS, and **adjective**, LAPPETED; **no -ING verb**

LAWNY                      ALNWX                      LAWN, areof grass-covered land  
**adjective but does NOT compare**

LEISURE                      EEILRSU                      freedom from demands of work or duty  
**only nouns**, LEISURE, LEISURES, and **adjective**, LEISURED; **no -ING verb**

LEOTARD                      ADELORT                      close-fitting garment  
**only nouns**, LEOTARD, LEOTARDS, and **adjective**, LEOTARDED; **no -ING verb**

LIGULA                      AGILLU                      strap-shaped organ or part  
**only nouns**, LINGULA, LIGULAS, LINGULAE, and **adjectives**, LIGULAR, LIGULATE, LIGULOID; **no -ING verb**

LINEATE                      AEEILNT                      marked with lines  
**only adjectives**, LINEATE, LINEATED; **no other forms**

LINTEL                      EILLNT                      horizontal supporting beam



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LIVERY                      EILRVY                      uniform worn by servants

**only nouns, LIVERY, LIVERIES, and adjective, LIVERIED; no -ING verb**

LOBATE                      ABELOT                      having lobes (a rounded, projecting anatomical part)

**only adjectives, LOBATE, LOBATED, and adverb, LOBATELY; no other forms**

LOBULE                      BELLOU                      small lobe

**only nouns, LOBULE, LOBULES, and adjectives, LOBULAR, LOBULATE, LOBULOSE; no -ING verb**

LOCULE                      CELLOU                      loculus (small, cell-like chamber)

**only nouns, LOCULE, LOCULES, LOCULUS, LOCULI, and adjectives, LOCULED, LOCULATED; no -ING verb**

LORICA                      ACILOR                      protective covering or shell

**only nouns, LORICA, LORICAS, LORICAE, LORICATE, LORICATES, and adjectives, LORICATED; no -ING verb**

LOUVER                      ELORUV                      type of window

LOUVRE                      ELORUV                      louver (type of window)

**only nouns, LOUVER, LOUVERS, LOUVRE, LOUVRES, and adjectives, LOUVERED, LOUVRED; no -ING verb**

LOWBROW                      BLOORWW                      uncultivated person

**only nouns, LOWBROW, LOWBROWS, and adjective, LOWBROWED; no -ING verb**

LUNATE                      AELNTU                      crescent-shaped implement

**only nouns, LUNATE, LUNATES, adjective, LUNATE, and adverb, LUNATELY; no -ING verb**

LUNULA                      ALLNUU                      small crescent-shaped structure

**only nouns, LUNULA, LUNULAE, and adjectives, LUNULATE, LUNULATED, LUNULAR; no -ING verb**

LYOPHILE                      EHILLOPY                      pertaining to type of colloid

**only adjectives, LYOPHILE, LYOPHILED; no other forms**

LYRATE                      AELRTY                      having the shape of lyre

**only adjectives, LYRATED, LYRATED, and adverb, LYRATELY; no other forms**

## M

MACADAM                      AAACDMM                      type of pavement (paved surface)

**only nouns, MACADAM, MACADAMS, and adjective, MACADAMED; no -ING verb**

MAGIC                      ACGIM                      to affect by magic (sorcery)

**K added after C in verbs: MAGICKED, MAGICKING**

MANNER                      AEMNNR                      way of acting

**only nouns, MANNER, MANNERS, and adjective, MANNERED; no -ING verb**

MANSARD                      AADMNRS                      type of roof

**only nouns, MANSARD, MANSARDS, and adjective, MANSARDED; no -ING verb**



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MARSH                      AMHRS                      tract of low, wet land  
**only nouns, MARSH, MARSHES, and adjective, MARSHED; no -ING verb**

MEASLE                      AEELMS                      tapeworm larva  
**only nouns, MEASLE, MEASLES, and adjective, MEASLED; no -ING verb**

MEDEVAC                      ACDEEMV                      to evacuate wounded from battlefield by helicopter  
**K added after C in verbs: MEDEVACKED, MEDEVACKING; also MEDEVACS, MEDEVACED**

MEDIVAC                      ACDEIMV                      medevac (to evacuate wounded from battlefield by helicopter)  
**K added after C in verbs: MEDIVACKED, MEDIVACKING; also MEDIVACS, MEDIVACED**

MEMBER                      BEEMMR                      distinct part of whole  
**only nouns, MEMBER, MEMBERS, and adjective, MEMBERED; no -ING verb**

MEMBRANE                      ABEEMNR                      thin, pliable layer of tissue  
**only nouns, MEMBRANE, MEMBRANES, and adjective, MEMBRANED; no -ING verb**

METTLE                      EELMTT                      quality of character  
**only nouns, METTLE, METTLES, and adjective, METTLED; no -ING verb**

MIDSIZE                      DEIIMSZ                      of intermediate size  
**only adjectives, MIDSIZE, MIDSIZED; no other forms**

MIMIC                      CIIMM                      to imitate closely  
**K added after C in verbs: MIMICKED, MIMICKING; nouns: MIMICKER, MIMICKERS**

MINARET                      AEIMNRT                      slender tower attached to mosque  
**only nouns, MINARET, MINARETS, and adjective, MINARETED; no -ING verb**

MITTEN                      EIMNTT                      type of covering for hand  
**only nouns, MITTEN, MITTENS, and adjective, MITTENED; no -ING verb**

MOGUL                      GLMOU                      important person  
**only nouns, MOGUL, MOGULS, and adjective, MOGULED (provided with bumps of hard snow); no -ING verb**

MONEY                      EMNOY                      official medium of exchange and measure of value  
**only nouns, MONEY, MONEYS, MONIES, and adjective, MONEYED (having much money); no -ING verb**

MONIKER                      EIKMNOR                      name  
**only nouns, MONIKER, MONIKERS, and adjective, MONIKERED; no -ING verb**

MONOCLE                      CELMNOO                      eyeglass for one eye  
**only nouns, MONOCLE, MONOCLES, and adjective, MONOCLED; no -ING verb**

MONOSKI                      IKMNOOS                      single broad ski for both feet



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**only nouns, MONOSKI, MONOSKIS; no verb forms**

MOSAIC                      ACIMOS                      to form into mosaic (type of inlaid surface decoration)

**K added after C in verbs: MOSAICKED, MOSAICKING**

MOUSTACHE              ACEHMOSTU              mustache (growth of hair on upper lip)  
MUSTACHE              ACEHMSTU              growth of hair on upper lip

**only nouns, MOUSTACHE, MOUSTACHES, MUSTACHE, MUSTACHES, and adjectives, MOUSTACHED, MUSTACHED; no -ING verb**

MUFFLER                      EFFLMRU                      device for deadening sound

**only nouns, MUFFLER, MUFFLERS, and adjective, MUFFLERED; no -ING verb**

MUNTIN                      IMNNTU                      dividing strip for window panes

**only nouns, MUNTIN, MUNTINS, and adjective, MUNTINED; no -ING verb**

MURAL                      ALMRU                      painting applied directly to wall or ceiling

**only nouns, MURAL, MURALS, and adjectives, MURALED, MURALLED; no -ING verb**

MURIATE                      AEIMRTU                      chloride (chemical compound)

**only nouns, MURIATE, MURIATES, and adjective, MURIATED (pickled); no -ING verb**

MURICATE                      ACEIMRTU                      covered with short, sharp points

**only adjectives, MURICATE, MURICATED; no other forms**

MUSIC                      CIMSU                      MUSICK, to compose music for

**K added after C in verbs: MUSICKED, MUSICKING, MUSICKS**

MUSLIN                      ILMNSU                      cotton fabric

**only nouns, MUSLIN, MUSLINS, and adjective, MUSLINED; no -ING verb**

## N

NATURE                      AENRTU                      essential qualities of person or thing

**only nouns, NATURE, NATURES, and adjective, NATURED; no -ING verb**

NECTARY                      ACENRTY                      plant gland

**only nouns, NECTARY, NECTARIES, and adjective, NECTARIED; no -ING verb**

NIMBUS                      BIMNSU                      luminous cloud

**only nouns, NIMBUS, NIMBUSES, NIMBI, and adjective, NIMBUSED; no -ING verb**

NIPPLE                      EILNPP                      protuberance on breast

**only nouns, NIPPLE, NIPPLES, and adjective, NIPPLED; no -ING verb**

NITWIT                      IINNTW                      stupid person

**only nouns, NITWIT, NITWITS, and adjective, NITWITTED; no -ING verb**

NODULE                      DELNOU                      small node

**only nouns NODULE, NODULES, and adjectives; NODULAR, NODULOSE, NODULOUS, NODULATED; no -ING verb**

NOON                      NNOO                      midday



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**only nouns; NOONING; NOONINGS, meal eaten at noon**

NORTH                      HNORT                      point of compass  
**only nouns; NORTHING; NORTHINGS, movement toward north**

NYLON                      LNNOY                      synthetic material  
**only nouns, NYLON, NYLONS, and adjective, NYLONED; no -ING verb**

## O

OBTECT                      BCEOTT                      covered by hard secretion  
**only adjectives, OBTECT, OBTECTED; no other forms**

OCELLATE                      ACEELLOT                      having ocelli (minute simple eye)  
**only adjectives, OCELLATE, OCELLATED; no other forms**

OFFHAND                      ADFFHNO                      without preparation  
**only adverb, OFFHAND, and adjective, OFFHANDED; no other forms**

ONLIEST                      EILNOST                      ONLY  
**only adjective forms—no comparative form**

OPINION                      IINNOOP                      conclusion or judgment one holds to be true  
**only nouns, OPINION, OPINIONS, and adjective, OPINIONED; no -ING verb**

ORPHREY                      EHOPRRY                      ornamental band or border  
**only nouns, ORPHREY, ORPHREYS, and adjective, ORPHREYED; no -ING verb**

OSIER                      EIORs                      European tree  
**only nouns, OSIER, OSIERS, and adjective, OSIERED; no -ING verb**

OUTSIZE                      EIOSTUZ                      unusual size  
**only nouns, OUTSIZE, OUTSIZES, and adjective, OUTSIZED; no -ING verb**

OVERALL                      AELLORV                      loose outer garment  
**only nouns, OVERALL, OVERALLS, and adjective, OVERALLED; no -ING verb**

OVERAGE                      AEEGORV                      amount in excess  
**only nouns, OVERAGE, OVERAGES, and adjective, OVERAGED (too old to be useful); no -ING verb**

OVERSIZE                      EEIORSVZ                      unusually large size  
**only nouns, OVERSIZE, OVERSIZES, and adjective, OVERSIZED; no -ING verb**