



Freedom of Speech



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Surprising Parts of Speech - K

- KEENER [adj] + [n] KEENERS, one that keens (wail loudly over dead)
- KELP [n] + [v] KELPING, to burn type of seaweed
- KENNEL [n] + [v] KENNELED, KENNELLED, KENNELING, KENNELING, KENNELS, to keep in shelter for dogs
- KERF [n] + [v] KERFING, to make incision with cutting tool
- KERNEL [n] + [v] KERNELED, KERNELLED, KERNELING, KERNELING, KERNELS, to envelop as kernel (inner part of nut)
- KERPLUNK [interj] + [v] KERPLUNKED, KERPLUNKING, KERPLUNKS, to fall or drop with heavy sound
- KETCHUP [n] + [adj] KETCHUPY, KETCHUPIER, KETCHUPIEST, spicy tomato sauce
- KEYBOARD [n] + [v] KEYBOARDED, KEYBOARDING, KEYBOARDS, to operate machine by means of keyset
- KILN [n] + [v] KILNING, to bake in type of oven
- KILT [n] + [v] KILTING, to make creases or pleats in
- KIMONO [n] + [adj] KIMONOED, KIMONO, loose robe
- KINDRED [adj] + [n] KINDREDS, natural grouping
- KING [n] + [v] KINGING, to reign as king (male monarch)
- KIT [n] + [v] KITTING, to equip (to provide with whatever is needed)
- KITTEN [n] + [v] KITTENED, KITTENING, KITTENS, to bear kittens (young cats)
- KNACK [n] + [v] KNACKED, KNACKING, to strike sharply
- KNEECAP [n] + [v] KNEECAPPED, KNEECAPPING, KNEECAPS, to maim by shooting in kneecap (bone at front of knee)
- KNOLL [n] + [v] KNOLLED, KNOLLING, to knell
- KNOWING [v] + [adj] KNOWINGER, KNOWINGEST, astute
- KNOWING [v] + [n] KNOWINGS, knowledge
- KNUCKLE [n] + [adj] KNUCKLY, KNUCKLIER, KNUCKLIEST, having prominent knuckles
- KOSHER [adj] + [v] KOSHERED, KOSHERING, KOSHERS, to make fit to be eaten according to Jewish dietary laws

Surprising Parts of Speech - L

- LABIAL [adj] + [n] LABIALS, labially produced sound
- LACKEY [n] + [v] LACKEYED, LACKEYING, LACKEYS, to act in servile manner
- LACRIMAL [adj] + [n] LACRIMALS, type of vase
- LADDER [n] + [v] LADDERED, LADDERING, LADDERS, to cause run in stocking
- LADEN [adj] + [v] LADENED, LADENING, to lade (to load with cargo)
- LAGER [n] + [v] LAGERED, LAGERING, to laager (to form defensive encampment)
- LAMP [n] + [v] LAMPING, to look at
- LANDFILL [n] + [v] LANDFILLED, LANDFILLING, LANDFILLS, to build up area by burying refuse
- LANDMARK [n] + [v] LANDMARKED, LANDMARKING, LANDMARKS, to designate building or site as place of historical or aesthetic importance
- LAPEL [n] + [adj] LAPELED, LAPEL, extension of collar of garment
- LARD [n] + [v] LARDING, to coat with lard (melted fat of hogs)
- LARIAT [n] + [v] LARIATED, LARIATING, LARIATS, to lasso (to catch with lasso (long rope with running noose))
- LARK [n] + [v] LARKING, to behave playfully
- LATENT [adj] + [n] LATENTS, barely visible fingerprint that can be developed for study
- LATERAL [adj & n] + [v] LATERALED, LATERALLED, LATERALING, LATERALLING, LATERALS, to execute type of pass in football
- LATEST [adj] + [n] LATESTS, most recent development
- LATTICE [n] + [v] LATTICED, LATTICING, LATTICES, to form structure consisting of interlaced strips of material
- LAUREL [n] + [v] LAURELED, LAURELLED, LAURELING, LAURELLING LAURELS, to crown with wreath of evergreens
- LAVENDER [n] + [v] LAVENDERED, LAVENDERING, LAVENDERS, to sprinkle with type of perfume
- LAVISH [adj] + [v] LAVISHED, LAVISHING, LAVISHES, expend or give in great amounts
- LAWN [n] + [v] LAWINING, area of grass covered land
- LAWYER [n] + [v] LAWYERED, LAWYERING, LAWYERS, to work as member of legal profession
- LAZY [n] + [v] LAZYLING, to move or lie lazily



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- LEADEN [adj] + [v] LEADENED, LEADENING, LEADENS, to make dull or sluggish
- LEADING [v] + [n] LEADINGS, covering or border of lead
- LEAFLET [n] + [v] LEAFLETED, LEAFLETTED, LEAFLETING, LEAFLETTING, LEAFLETS, to distribute printed sheets of paper
- LEAGUE [n] + [v] LEAGUED, LEAGUING, LEAGUES, to come together for common purpose
- LEATHER [n] + [v] LEATHERED, LEATHERING, LEATHERS, to cover with leather (dressed or tanned hide of animal)
- LEFTMOST [adj] + [n] LEFTMOSTS, farthest on left
- LEISURE [n] + [adj] LEISURED, freedom from demands of work or duty
- LEMON [n] + [adj] LEMONISH, citrus fruit
- LENS [n] + [v] LENSING, to make film of
- LESION [n] + [v] LESIONED, LESIONING, LESIONS, to cause abnormal change in structure of organ
- LESSON [n] + [v] LESSONED, LESSONING, LESSONS, to instruct
- LETHAL [adj] + [n] LETHALS, death-causing genetic defect
- LEVEE [n] + [v] LEVEEING, to provide with embankment
- LICHEN [n] + [v] LICHENED, LICHENING, LICHENS, to cover with lichens (flowerless plants)
- LID [n] + [v] LIDDING, to provide with lid (moveable cover)
- LIGHTER [adj] + [v] LIGHTERED, LIGHTERING, LIGHTERS, to convey in type of barge
- LIMB [n] + [v] LIMBING, to cut off arms or legs of
- LIMITED [adj] + [n] LIMITEDS, train or bus making few stops
- LINOTYPE [n] + [v] LINOTYPED, LINOTYPING, LINOTYPES, to set type with machine
- LIQUOR [n] + [v] LIQUORED, LIQUORING, LIQUORS, to intoxicate with liquor
- LITERAL [adj] + [n] LITERALS, small error in printing or writing
- LITERATE [adj] + [n] LITERATES, one who can read and write
- LITURGIC [adj] + [n] LITURGICS, practice or study of formal public worship
- LIVER [n] + [adj] LIVERISH, having disorder of liver (bodily organ)
- LIVER [n] + [v] LIVERED, LIVERING, to thicken or gel
- LOAM [n] + [v] LOAMING, to cover with loam (type of soil)
- LOBSTER [n] + [v] LOBSTERED, LOBSTERING, LOBSTERS, to fish for lobsters (marine crustaceans)
- LOCO [adj] + [v] LOCOING, to poison with locoweed
- LOOPHOLE [n] + [v] LOOPHOLED, LOOPHOLING, LOOPHOLES, to make small openings in
- LUSTER [n] + [v] LUSTERED, LUSTERING, LUSTERS, to make or become lustrous
- LUV [n] + [v] LUVVING, to love (to feel great affection for)

Surprising Parts of Speech - M

- MAD [adj] + [v] MADDING, to madden
- MADCAP [adj] + [n] MADCAPS, impulsive person
- MADDER [adj] + [n] MADDERS, perennial herb
- MAGGOT [n] + [adj] MAGGOTY, MAGGOT, legless larva of certain insects
- MAGIC [n] + [v] MAGICKED, MAGICCKING, to affect by magic (sorcery)
- MAGNETIC [adj] + [n] MAGNETICS, magnet (body that possesses property of attracting iron)
- MAID [n] + [adj] MAIDISH, maiden
- MALL [n] + [v] MALLING, to maul
- MANIFOLD [n] + [v] MANIFOLDED, MANIFOLDING, MANIFOLDS, to make several copies of
- MANURE [n] + [v] MANURED, MANURING, MANURES, to fertilize with manure (animal excrement)
- MARGIN [n] + [v] MARGINED, MARGINING, MARGINS, to provide with margin (border)
- MARGINAL [adj] + [n] MARGINALS, one considered to be at lower or outer limit
- MARRIED [adj] + [n] MARRIEDS, one who has entered into marriage
- MARROW [n] + [adj] MARROWY, pithy (concise (succinct (clearly expressed in few words)))
- MARROW [n] + [v] MARROWED, MARROWING, MARROWS, to marry



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- MARSH [n] + [adj] MARSHED, tract of low, wet land
- MART [n] + [v] MARTING, to market
- MASCARA [n] + [v] MASCARAED, MASCARAING, MASCARAS, to color eyelashes or eyebrows with cosmetic
- MASON [n] + [v] MASONED, MASONING, to build with stone or brick
- MASTHEAD [n] + [v] MASTHEADED, MASTHEADING, MASTHEADS, to raise to top of mast
- MATTER [n] + [adj] MATTERY, producing pus
- MATURER [adj] + [n] MATURERS, one that brings something to maturity
- MEADOW [n] + [adj] MEADOWY, MEADOW, tract of grassland
- MEANER [adj] + [n] MEANERS, one that means
- MEASLES [n] + [adj] MEASLED, MEASLE, tapeworm larva
- MEDIAL [adj] + [n] MEDIALS, sound, syllable, or letter in middle of word
- MEDICINE [n] + [v] MEDICINED, MEDICINING, MEDICINES, to administer medicine (substance used in treatment of disease) to
- MEDIEVAL [adj] + [n] MEDIEVALS, person belonging to Middle Ages
- MEMBER [n] + [adj] MEMBERED, MEMBER, distinct part of whole
- MEMBRANE [n] + [adj] MEMBRANED, thin, pliable layer of tissue
- MENACE [n] + [v] MENACED, MENACING, MENACES, to threaten
- MENSCH [n] + [adj] MENSCHY, admirable person
- MERCHANT [n] + [v] MERCHANTED, MERCHANTING, MERCHANTS, to buy and sell goods for profit
- METALLIC [adj] + [n] METALLICS, fabric or yarn made or coated with metal
- METTLE [n] + [adj] METTLED, quality of character
- MIDDLE [n] + [v] MIDDLED, MIDDLING, MIDDLES, to place in middle (area or point equidistant from extremes or limits)
- MILD [adj] + [v] MILDING, to diminish
- MINIMAL [adj] + [n] MINIMALS, element of mathematical set that precedes all others
- MINUTE [n] + [v] MINUTED, MINUTING, MINUTES, to make brief note of
- MISSION [n] + [v] MISSIONED, MISSIONING, MISSIONS, to send to perform specific task
- MITTEN [n] + [adj] MITTENED, type of covering for hand
- MOAT [n] + [v] MOATING, to surround with moat (water-filled trench)
- MODEM [n] + [v] MODEMING, to transmit by modem (device for converting signals from one form to another)
- MODERN [adj] + [n] MODERNS, person of modern times or views
- MOGUL [n] + [adj] MOGULED, MOGUL, provided with bumps of hard snow
- MONASTIC [adj] + [n] MONASTICS, monk
- MONEY [n] + [n] MONEYER, one that coins money
- MONITOR [v & n] + [n] MONITORY, MONITORIES, letter of warning
- MONOCLE [n] + [adj] MONOCLED, MONOCLE, eyeglass for one eye
- MONOLOG [n] + [v] MONOLOGGED, MONOLOGGING, MONOLOGS, to deliver monolog (lengthy speech by one person)
- MONTAGE [n] + [v] MONTAGED, MONTAGING, MONTAGES, to combine into composite picture
- MOOT [n] + [v] MOOTING, to bring up for discussion
- MORASS [n] + [adj] MORASSY, MORASS, marsh (tract of low, wet land)
- MORDANT [adj] + [v] MORDANTED, MORDANTING, MORDANTS, to treat with caustic substance
- MORSEL [n] + [v] MORSELED or MORSELLED, MORSELING or MORSELLING, MORSELS, to divide into small pieces
- MORTAR [n] + [adj] MORTARY, containing or resembling mortar [adj]
- MOSS [n] + [v] MOSSING, to cover with moss (growth of small, leafy-stemmed plants)
- MOTHER [n] + [adj] MOTHERY, slimy
- MOTIVE [n] + [v] MOTIVED, MOTIVING, MOTIVES, to motivate (to provide with incentive)
- MOTLEY [adj] + [n] MOTLEYS, garment of various colors
- MOVABLE [adj] + [n] MOVABLES, something that can be moved
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- MULLION [n] + [v] MULLIONED, MULLIONING, MULLIONS to provide with vertical dividing strips
- MUMMY [n] + [v] MUMMIED, MUMMYING, MUMMIES, to mummify (to preserve by embalming)
- MUNITION [n] + [v] MUNITIONED, MUNITIONING, MUNITIONS, to furnish with war materiel
- MURAL [n] + [adj] MURALLED, MURALED, painting applied directly to wall or ceiling
- MUSLIN [n] + [adj] MUSLINED, cotton fabric
- MUSTARD [n] + [adj] MUSTARDY, resembling mustard (pungent seasoning)
- MUTTON [n] + [adj] MUTTONY, MUTTON, flesh of sheep used as food

Surprising Parts of Speech - N

- NANNY [n] + [v] NANNIED, NANNYING, NANNIES, to be overprotective towards
- NAUGHTY [adj] + [n] NAUGHTIES, one that is naughty
- NECKLACE [n] + [v] NECKLACED, NECKLACING, NECKLACES, to kill by placing tire around neck and setting it on fire
- NEGATIVE [n] + [v] NEGATIVED, NEGATIVING, NEGATIVES, to veto
- NEIGHBOR [n] + [v] NEIGHBORED, NEIGHBORING, NEIGHBORS, to live close to
- NERVE [n] + [v] NERVING, to give courage to
- NEUTRAL [adj] + [n] NEUTRALS, one that is impartial
- NICHE [n] + [v] NICHING, to replace in receding space or hollow
- NICKEL [n] + [v] NICKELLED, NICKELING, NICKELS, to plate with mickle (metallic element)
- NICKNAME [n] + [v] NICKNAMED, NICKNAMING, NICKNAMES, to give alternate name to
- NIGH [adj] + [v] NIGHING, to approach
- NILL [n] + [v] NILLING, to be unwilling
- NIMBUS [n] + [adj] NIMBUSED, luminous cloud
- NIPPLE [n] + [adj] NIPPLED, protuberance on breast
- NOISE [n] + [v] NOISING, to spread as rumor or report
- NOMINAL [adj] + [n] NOMINALS, word used as noun
- NOODLE [n] + [v] NOODLED, NOODLING, NOODLES, to play idly on musical instrument
- NOON [n] + [n] NOONING, NOONING, meal eaten at noon
- NOOSE [n] + [n] NOOSERS, nooser (one that nooses)
- NOOSE [n] + [v] NOOSING, to secure with type of loop
- NORMAL [adj] + [n] NORMALS, usual or expected state or form
- NORTH [n] + [v] NORTHING, movement toward north
- NORTHERN [adj] + [n] NORTHERNS, person living in north
- NOWHERE [adv] + [n] NOWHERES, nonexistent place
- NUANCE [n] + [v] NUANCED, NUANCING, NUANCES, to give subtle shade of meaning to
- NUGGET [n] + [adj] NUGGETY, NUGGET, mass of solid matter
- NULL [n & adj] + [v] NULLING, to reduce to nothing
- NUMERIC [adj] + [n] NUMERICS, numeral
- NUT [n] + [v] NUTTING, to gather nuts (hard-shell dried fruits)
- NYLON [n] + [adj] NYLONED, synthetic material
- NYMPH [n] + [v] NYMPHED, NYMPHING, to fish using fly (hook with silk or feathers) that looks like larva

Surprising Parts of Speech - O

- OBLIQUE [adj] + [v] OBLIQUED, OBLIQUING, OBLIQUES, to slant
- OBSOLETE [adj] + [v] OBSOLETED, OBSOLETING, OBSOLETES, to make out-of-date
- OCCASION [n] + [v] OCCASIONED, OCCASIONING, OCCASIONS, to cause
- OCCULT [n] + [v] OCCULTED, OCCULTING, OCCULTS, to conceal
- OCHER [n] + [v] OCHERING, to color with ochre (red or yellow iron ore used as pigment)
- OCHRE [n] + [v] OCHRING, to ocher (to color with ochre (red or yellow iron ore used as pigment))



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- OFFBEAT [adj] + [n] OFFBEATS, unaccented beat in music
- OFFICER [n] + [v] OFFICERED, OFFICERING, OFFICERS, to furnish with officers (persons holding positions of authority)
- OFFSHORE [adj] + [n] OFFSHORES, area of submerged land out from shore
- OMEN [n] + [v] OMENING, to be omen (prophetic sign)
- ONCOMING [adj] + [n] ONCOMINGS, approach
- OOMPAH [n] + [v] OOMPAHED, OOMPAHS, to play repeated rhythmic bass accompaniment
- OPAQUE [adj] + [v] OPAQUED, OPAQUING, OPAQUES, to make opaque
- OPERATIC [adj] + [n] OPERATICS, technique of staging operas
- OPIATE [n + adj] + [v] OPIATED, OPIATING, OPIATES, to treat with opium
- OPTION [n] + [v] OPTIONED, OPTIONING, OPTIONS, to grant option (right to buy or sells something at specified price within specified time) on
- OPTIONAL [adj] + [n] OPTIONALS, elective course of study
- ORANGE [n + adj] + [adj] ORANGEY. ORANGIER, ORANGIEST, orangy (resembling or suggestive of orange)
- ORBITAL [adj] + [n] ORBITALS, subdivision of nuclear shell
- ORGANIC [adj] + [n] ORGANICS, substance of animal or vegetable origin
- ORGASM [n] + [v] ORGASMED, ORGASMING, ORGASMS, to experience orgasm (climax of sexual excitement)
- OUCH [interj] + [v] OUCHING, to ornament with ouches (settings for precious stones)
- OUGHT [aux. v] + [v] OUGHTING, to owe (to be under obligation to pay)
- OUTCRY [n] + [v] OUTCRIED, OUTCRYING, OUTCRIES, to cry louder than
- OUTGOING [adj] + [n] OUTGOINGS, departure
- OUTRAGE [n] + [v] OUTRAGED, OUTRAGING, OUTRAGES, to arouse anger or resentment in
- OVER [prep] + [v] OVERING, to leap above and to other side
- OVERCAST [adj] + [v] OVERCAST, OVERCASTED, OVERCASTING, OVERCASTS, to become cloudy or dark
- OVERSHOT [v] + [n] OVERSHOTS, type of fabric weave
- OVERTIME [n] + [v] OVERTIMED, OVERTIMING, OVERTIMES, to exceed desired timing for
- OVERTURE [n] + [v] OVERTURED, OVERTURING, OVERTURES, to propose
- OYSTER [n] + [v] OYSTERED, OYSTERING, OYSTERS, to gather oysters (edible mollusks)