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## A 8s

ABHENRYS	ABEHNRSY	ABHENRY, unit of inductance [n]
AIRPLAYS	AAILPRSY	AIRPLAY, playing of record on radio program [n]
ARCHWAYS	AACHRSWY	ARCHWAY, passageway under arch [n]
AREAWAYS	AAAERSWY	AREAWAY, sunken area leading to basement entrance [n]
ASHTRAYS	AAHRSSTY	ASHTRAY, receptacle for tobacco ashes [n]
ATTABOYS	AABOSTTY	ATTABOY, expression of encouragement or approval to mor boy [n]

## B 8s

BALLBOYS	ABBLLOS Y	BALLBOY, boy who retrieves balls during games [n]
BALONEYS	ABELNOS Y	BALONEY, bologna (seasoned sausage) [n]
BELLBOYS	BBELLOS Y	BELLBOY, hotel's errand boy [n]
BELTWAYS	ABELSTW Y	BELTWAY, highway around urban area [n]
BENDWAYS	ABDENSW Y	bendwise (diagonally (in diagonal manner)) [adv]
BIKEWAYS	ABEIKSW Y	BIKEWAY, route for bikes [n]
BLARNEYS	ABELNRS Y	BLARNEY, to beguile with flattery [v]
BLUEJAYS	ABEJLSU Y	BLUEJAY, corvine bird [n]
BOBSTAYS	ABBOSST Y	BOBSTAY, steadying rope [n]
BOLONEYS	BELNOOS Y	BOLONEY, bologna (seasoned sausage) [n]

## C 8s

CALLBOYS	ABCLLOS Y	CALLBOY, bellboy (hotel's errand boy) [n]
CARAWAYS	AAACRSW Y	CARAWAY, herb used in cooking [n]
CHANTEYS	ACEHNST Y	CHANTEY, sailor's song [n]
CHARLEYS	ACEHLRS Y	CHARLEY, charlie (fool) [n]
CHARPOYS	ACHOPRS Y	CHARPOY, bed used in Indi[n]
CHIMLEYS	CEHILMS Y	CHIMLEY, chimney (flue (enclosed passageway for directing current)) [n]
CHIMNEYS	CEHIMNS Y	CHIMNEY, flue (enclosed passageway for directing current) [n]
CHUTNEYS	CEHNSTU Y	CHUTNEY, sweet and sour sauce [n]
COCKNEYS	CCEKNOS Y	COCKNEY, resident of East End of London [n]
COMFREYS	CEFMORS Y	COMFREY, coarse herb [n]
COPYBOYS	BCOOPS Y	COPYBOY, boy who runs errands in newspaper office [n]
CURTSEYS	CERSSTU Y	CURTSEY, to curtsy (to bow politely) [v]
CUTAWAYS	AACSTUW Y	CUTAWAY, type of coat [n]

## D 8s

DESTROYS	DEORSST Y	DESTROY, to damage beyond repair or renewal [v]
DIDDLEYS	DDDEILS Y	DIDDLEY, diddly (least amount) [n]
DISOBEYS	BDEIOSS Y	DISOBEY, to fail to obey [v]
DISPLAYS	ADILPSS Y	DISPLAY, to make evident or obvious [v]
DOORWAYS	ADOORSW Y	DOORWAY, entranceway to room or building [n]
DOVEKEYS	DEEKOSV Y	DOVEKEY, dovekie (seabird (bird frequenting ocean or seacoast)) [n]

## E 8s

EDGEWAYS	ADEEGSW Y	edgewise (sideways (toward or from one side)) [adv]
ENDPLAYS	ADELNPS Y	ENDPLAY, to force (opponent in bridge) to lead [v]

## F 8s

FAIRWAYS	AAFIRSW Y	FAIRWAY, mowed part of golf course between tee and green [n]
FARADAYS	AAADFRS Y	FARADAY, unit of electricity [n]
FISHWAYS	AFHISSW Y	FISHWAY, device for enabling fish to pass around dam [n]



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FLATWAYS	AAFLSTWY	flatwise (with flat side in particular position) [adv]
FLUNKEYS	EFKLNSUY	FLUNKEY, flunky (servile follower) [n]
FLYAWAYS	AAFLSWYY	FLYAWAY, one that is elusive [n]
FOLKWAYS	AFKLOSWY	FOLKWAY, traditional custom of people [n]
FOODWAYS	ADFOOSWY	eating habits of people [n FOODWAYS]
FOOTBOYS	BFOOOSTY	FOOTBOY, serving boy [n]
FOOTWAYS	AFOOSTWY	FOOTWAY, footpath (path for pedestrians) [n]
FOREBAYS	ABEFORSY	FOREBAY, reservoir from which water is taken to run equipment [n]
FREEWAYS	AEEFRSWY	FREEWAY, express highway [n]

## G 8s

GAINSAYS	AAGINSSY	GAINSAY, to deny (to declare to be untrue) [v]
GANGWAYS	AAGGNSWY	GANGWAY, passageway [n]
GATEWAYS	AAEGSTWY	GATEWAY, passage that may be closed by gate [n]
GETAWAYS	AAEGSTWY	GETAWAY, escape [n]
GOOMBAYS	ABGMOOSY	GOOMBAY, calypso music of Bahamas [n]
GUNPLAYS	AGLNPSUY	GUNPLAY, shooting of guns [n]

## H 8s

HACKNEYS	ACEHKNSY	HACKNEY, to make common [v]
HALLWAYS	AAHLLSWY	HALLWAY, hall (large room for assembly) [n]
HAUTBOYS	ABHOSTUY	HAUTBOY, oboe (woodwind instrument) [n]
HEADWAYS	AADEHSWY	HEADWAY, forward movement [n]
HEARSAYS	AAEHRSSY	HEARSAY, secondhand information [n]
HIGHBOYS	BGHHIOSY	HIGHBOY, tall chest of drawers [n]
HIGHWAYS	AGHHISWY	HIGHWAY, main road [n]
HOLIDAYS	ADHILOSY	HOLIDAY, to take vacation [v]
HOLYDAYS	ADHLOSYY	HOLYDAY, religious holiday [n]
HOMEBOYS	BEHMOOSY	HOMEBOY, boy or man from one's neighborhood [n]

## I 8s

## J 8s

JEEPNEYS	EEJNPSY	JEEPNEY, Philippine jitney [n]
JOURNEYS	EJNORSUY	JOURNEY, to travel (to go from one place to another) [v]

## K 8s

KILLJOYS	IJKLLOS Y	KILLJOY, one who spoils fun of others [n]
KOUPREYS	EKOPRSUY	KOUPREY, short-haired ox [n]

## L 8s

LACQUEYS	ACELQSUY	LACQUEY, to lackey (to act in servile manner) [v]
LAMPREYS	AELMPRSY	LAMPREY, eellike fish [n]
LANEWAYS	AAELNSWY	LANEWAY, lane (narrow passageway) [n]
LANGLEYS	AEGLLNSY	LANGLEY, unit of illumination [n]
LAYAWAYS	AAALSWYY	LAYAWAY, item that has been reserved with down payment [n]
LIFEWAYS	AEFILSWY	LIFEWAY, way of living [n]
LINKBOYS	BIKLNOSY	LINKBOY, mor boy hired to carry torch to light way along dark streets [n]
LONGWAYS	AGLNOSWY	longwise (lengthwise) [adv]

## M 8s

MALMSEYS	AELMMSSY	MALMSEY, white wine [n]
MISPLAYS	AILMPSSY	MISPLAY, to make bad play in game [v]



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NEWSBOYS	BENOSSWY	NEWSBOY, boy who delivers or sells newspapers [n]
NONPLAYS	ALNNOPSY	NONPLAY, theatrical work that is not play [n]
NOONDAYS	ADNNOOSY	NOONDAY, noon (midday (middle of day)) [n]
NOSEGAYS	AEGNOSSY	NOSEGAY, bouquet (bunch of flowers) [n]
NOWADAYS	AADNOSWY	in these times [adv]

## O 8s

ODYSSEYS	DEOSSSY	ODYSSEY, long, wandering journey [n]
ORPHREYS	EHOPRRSY	ORPHREY, ornamental band or border [n]
OUTPLAYS	ALOPSTUY	OUTPLAY, to excel or defeat in game [v]
OUTPRAYS	AOPRSTUY	OUTPRAY, to surpass in praying [v]
OUTSTAYS	AOSSTTUY	OUTSTAY, to surpass in staying power [v]
OVERBUYS	BEORSUVY	OVERBUY, to buy in quantities exceeding need or demand [v]
OVERJOYS	EJOORSVY	OVERJOY, to fill with great joy [v]
OVERLAYS	AELORSVY	OVERLAY, OVERLIE, to lie over [v]
OVERPAYS	AEOPRSVY	OVERPAY, to pay too much [v]

## P 8s

PAGEBOYS	ABEGOPSY	PAGEBOY, woman's hairstyle [n]
PAISLEYS	AEILPSSY	PAISLEY, patterned wool fabric [n]
PALEWAYS	AAELPSWY	palewise (vertically (in vertical manner)) [adv]
PALFREYS	AEFLPRSY	PALFREY, riding horse [n]
PARKWAYS	AAKPRSWY	PARKWAY, wide highway [n]
PARSLEYS	AELPRSSY	PARSLEY, cultivated herb [n]
PASSKEYS	AEKPSSSY	PASSKEY, key that opens several different locks [n]
PATHWAYS	AAHPSTWY	PATHWAY, path (trodden way or track) [n]
PICKNEYS	CEIKNPSY	PICKNEY, offensive word [n]
PIGSNEYS	EGINPSSY	PIGSNEY, darling (much-loved person) [n]
PLAYBOYS	ABLOPSY	PLAYBOY, man devoted to pleasurable activities [n]
PLAYDAYS	AADLPSY	PLAYDAY, holiday [n]
PLOWBOYS	BLOOPSWY	PLOWBOY, boy who leads plow team [n]
PORTRAYS	AOPRRSTY	PORTRAY, to represent pictorially [v]
POSTBOYS	BOOPSSTY	POSTBOY, boy who carries mail [n]
PUSSLEYS	ELPSSSUY	PUSSLEY, purslane (common garden herb) [n]

## Q 8s

## R 8s

RACEWAYS	AACERSWY	RACEWAY, channel for conducting water [n]
RAILWAYS	AAILRSWY	RAILWAY, railroad [n]
REENJOYS	EEJNORSY	REENJOY, to enjoy again [v]
RESPRAYS	AEPRSSY	RESPRAY, to spray again [v]
ROADWAYS	AADORSWY	ROADWAY, road (open way for public passage) [n]
ROLLWAYS	ALLORSWY	ROLLWAY, incline for rolling logs [n]
ROPEWAYS	AEOPRSWY	ROPEWAY, aerial cable used to transport freight [n]
ROSEBAYS	ABEORSSY	ROSEBAY, evergreen shrub [n]
RUNAWAYS	AANRSUWY	RUNAWAY, one that runs away [n]

## S 8s

SAVELOYS	AELOSSVY	SAVELOY, highly seasoned sausage [n]
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SHANTEYS	AEHNSSTY	SHANTEY, chantey (sailor's song) [n]
SHEENEYS	EEHNSSY	SHEENEY, offensive word [n]
SHINNEYS	EHINSSY	SHINNEY, to play form of hockey [v]
SHIPWAYS	AHIPSSWY	SHIPWAY, canal deep enough to serve ships [n]
SHOPBOYS	BHOOPSSY	SHOPBOY, salesclerk [n]
SICKBAYS	ABCIKSSY	SICKBAY, ship's hospital [n]
SIDEWAYS	ADEISSWY	toward or from one side [adv]
SKIDWAYS	ADIKSSWY	SKIDWAY, platform on which logs are piled for loading or sawing [n]
SLIPWAYS	AILPSSWY	SLIPWAY, areas loping toward water in shipyard [n]
SOMEWAYS	AEMOSSWY	someway (somehow (by some means)) [adv]
SPINNEYS	EINNPSSY	SPINNEY, thicket (dense growth of shrubs or small trees) [n]
SPOONEYS	ENOOPSSY	SPOONEY, spoony (spoony person) [n]
SPURREYS	EPRRSSUY	SPURREY, spurry (European weed) [n]
STANDBYS	ABDNSSTY	STANDBY, one that can be relied on [n]
SWEENEYS	EEENSSWY	SWEENEY, sweeny (atrophy of shoulder muscles in horses) [n]
SWINGBYS	BGINSSWY	SWINGBY, mission in which spacecraft uses planet's gravitational pull for making course changes [n]
SWINNEYS	EINNSSWY	SWINNEY, sweeny (atrophy of shoulder muscles in horses) [n]

## T 8s

TALLBOYS	ABLLOSTY	TALLBOY, highboy (tall chest of drawers) [n]
TATOUAYS	AAOSTTUY	TATOUAY, South American armadillo [n]
TAXIWAYS	AAISTWXY	TAXIWAY, paved strip at airport [n]
THRUWAYS	AHRSTUWY	THRUWAY, express highway [n]
TIDEWAYS	ADEISTWY	TIDEWAY, tidal channel [n]
TOLLWAYS	ALLOSTWY	TOLLWAY, road on which tolls are collected [n]
TOURNEYS	ENORSTUY	TOURNEY, to compete in tournament [v]
TOWAWAYS	AAOSTWWY	TOWAWAY, act of towing away vehicle [n]
TRAMWAYS	AAMRSTWY	TRAMWAY, tramline (streetcar line) [n]
TRAWLEYS	AELRSTWY	TRAWLEY, small truck or car for conveying material [n]
TROLLEYS	ELLORSTY	TROLLEY, to convey by streetcar [v]
TURNKEYS	EKNRSTUY	TURNKEY, person who has charge of prison's keys [n]

## U 8s

## V 8s

VICEROYS	CEIORSVY	VICEROY, one who rules as representative of sovereign [n]
VIRELAYS	AEILRSVY	VIRELAY, medieval French verse form [n]
VOUVRAYS	AORSUVVY	VOUVRAY, French white wine [n]

## W 8s

WALKWAYS	AAKLSWWY	WALKWAY, passage for walking [n]
WASHDAYS	AADHSSWY	WASHDAY, day set aside for washing clothes [n]
WEEKDAYS	ADEEKSWY	WEEKDAY, any day of week except Saturday and Sunday [n]
WHIMSEYS	EHIMSSWY	WHIMSEY, whimsy (whim (impulsive idea)) [n]
WHIPRAYS	AHIPRSWY	WHIPRAY, stingray (flat-bodied marine fish) [n]
WHISKEYS	EHIKSSWY	WHISKEY, liquor [n]
WINDWAYS	ADINSWWY	WINDWAY, passage for air [n]
WIREWAYS	AEIRSWWY	WIREWAY, tube for protecting electric wires [n]
WISEGUYS	EGISSUWY	WISEGUY, mobster (gangster (member of criminal gang)) [n]
WORKDAYS	ADKORSWY	WORKDAY, day on which work is done [n]



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