

**Púr'ple**, *a.* Red tinged with blue. — *n.* A color composed of red and blue; a robe. — *v. t.* To color with purple.

**Púr'pört**, *n.* That which is meant; meaning; tendency. — *v. t.* To intend; to signify.

**Púr'pose**, *n.* Object to be accomplished. — **SYN.** Intention; aim; view; end. — *v. t.* To intend; to design.

**Púr'pose-ly**, *adv.* Intentionally; with design.

**Púrre**. See *Pur*.

**Púrse**, *n.* A small money-bag. — *v. t.* To put in a purse.

**Púrse'-proud**, *a.* Proud of wealth. [*ship*]

**Púr's'er**, *n.* Paymaster of a pur-sú'ance, *n.* A following; prosecution; consequence.

**Pur-sú'ant**, *a.* Done in consequence.

**Pur-súe'**, *v. t.* To follow; to chase. — *v. i.* To proceed, in argument or discourse.

**Pur-sú'er**, *n.* One who pursues, chases, or follows.

**Pur-súit'**, *n.* Act of following; chase; course of business.

**Púr'sui-vant** (-swí-), *n.* A state messenger.

**Púr'sy**, *a.* Fat and short-breathed. [*pus*]

**Púr'ru-lence**, *n.* Generation of Púr'ru-lent, *a.* Consisting of, or pertaining to, pus.

**Pur-vey'** (-vá'), *v. t.* To furnish or provide. — *v. i.* To buy provisions; to cater.

**Pur-vey'or**, *n.* One who provides; a caterer.

**Púr'view**, *n.* The body of

a statute; limit; scope; sphere; extent.

**Pús**, *n.* Matter; yellowish-white, creamy liquid of a sore.

**Push**, *v. t.* To urge or impel. — *n.* An urging; a thrust.

**Pú'sil-la-nim'i-ty**, *n.* Weakness of mind; cowardice; poltroonery.

**Pú'sil-lán'i-móus**, *a.* Destitute of courage. — **SYN.** Cowardly; dastardly.

**Puss**, *n.* A cat; a hare.

**Púst'ule**, *n.* A small pimple containing pus.

**Put**, *v. t.* [*imp.* & *p. p.* **PUT.**] To lay in a place; to apply; to propose. — *v. i.* To go or move; to steer; to direct.

**Pú'ta-tive**, *a.* Supposed.

**Put'log**, *n.* A short piece of timber supporting the floor of a scaffold.

**Put'-off**, *n.* A shift for evasion or delay; a subterfuge.

**Pú'tre-fác'tion**, *n.* Process of decaying or rotting.

**Pú'tre-fác'tive**, *a.* Pertaining to, or tending to promote, putrefaction; making rotten.

**Pú'tre-fy**, *v. t.* or *i.* To dissolve or rot, as organized matter. [*rotting*]

**Pu-trés'cence**, *n.* State of Pu-trés'cent, *a.* Becoming putrid or rotten, as organized bodies.

**Pú'trid**, *a.* Decomposed; rotten.

**Pu-tríd'i-ty**, *n.* State of Pú'trid-ness, *n.* being putrid.

**Pút'ty**, *n.* A kind of paste or cement of whiting and linseed oil.

**Púz'zle**, *n.* Perplexity; a toy which perplexes. — *v. t.* To perplex, as the mind; to nonplus.

**Pýg'mé'an**, *a.* Dwarfish.

**Pýg'my** (19), *n.* A dwarf. — *a.* Small.

**Pýr'a-mid**, *n.*

A solid, having a rectilinear base, and its sides triangles having a common vertex.



**Pý-rám'id-al**, *a.* Having the form of a pyramid.

**Pýr'a-mid'ie-al**, *a.* the form of a pyramid.

**Pýre**, *n.* A funeral pile.

**Pýr'i-fórm**, *a.* Having the form of a pear.

**Pý-rí'tés**, *n.* A combination of sulphur with iron, copper, cobalt, or nickel.

**Pýr'o-lig'ne-ous**, *a.* Produced by the distillation of wood.

**Pý-róm'e-ter**, *n.* An instrument for measuring high degrees of heat.

**Pýr'o-téch'nics**, *n.* Art of Pýr'o-téch'ny, *n.* making fire-works, as rockets, &c.

**Pýr'o-téch'nist**, *n.* One skilled in pyrotechny; a manufacturer of fire-works.

**Pýx** (18), *n.* Among Roman Catholics, the box in which the host is kept; a box at the English mint for certain sample coins.

## Q.

**QUACK** (5), *v. i.* To cry like a duck; to boast. — *n.* A pretender to medical skill. [*quack*]

**Quack'er-v**, *n.* Practice of a Quad'râ-gés'i-mâ, *n.* Lent.

**Quad'ran-gle**, *n.*

A plane figure of four angles and four sides. Quadrangle.



**Quad-rân'gu-lar**, *a.* Having four angles.

**Quad'rânt** (kwôd'-), *n.* Quarter of a circle; arc of 90°; an instrument for taking altitudes.

**Quadrat** (kwôd'-), *n.* a, a Quadrant.



són, òr, dñ, wôlf, tóò, tóok; òrn, rjje, pùll; ç, é, soft; e, ù, hard; a; exist; u as ng; this.

*n.* A low piece of metal to make a blank space in printing.

**Quad'rate**, *a.* Square; suited. — *n.* A square.

**Quadr'ate**, *v. t.* To square; to fit; to suit. [*a* square.]

**Quad-rat'ie**, *a.* Pertaining to **Quad'ra-tūre**, *n.* A square; the finding of a square having the same area as a given curvilinear figure.

**Quad-rēn'ni-al**, *a.* Happening once in four years.

**Quad-ri-lāt'er-al**, *a.* Having four sides and hence four angles. — *n.* A plane figure Quadrilateral having four sides.



**Quadrille'** (kwa-dril' or kadril'), *n.* A kind of dance.

**Quad-rill'ion**, *n.* A million involved to the fourth power; in America, a thousand trillions.

**Quad-rip'ar-tite**, *a.* Consisting of four parts.

**Quad-ri-syl'la-ble**, *n.* A word of four syllables.

**Quad-ri-vālvē**, *n.* One of a set of four leaves serving for a door.

**Quad-ru'ma-noūs**, *a.* Having four feet that take the place of hands.

**Quad-ru-ped**, *n.* An animal having four feet.

**Quad-ru-ple**, *a.* Fourfold. — *v. t.* To increase fourfold.

**Quad-ru'pli-eatē**, *a.* Fourfold. [*make* fourfold.]

**Quad-ru'pli-eā'tion**, *v. t.* To **Quad-ru'pli-eā'tion**, *n.* A making fourfold.

**Quaff** (1), *v. t.* To drink largely or copiously of.

**Quag'mire**, *n.* Soft, wet land that shakes under the feet.

**Quag'gy**, *a.* Soft, wet, and yielding to the feet.

**Quail**, *n.* A gallinaceous bird; in the U. S., the ruffed grouse — *v. t. or i.* To become quelled; to shrink; to cower.

**Quaint**, *a.* Artificially elegant; odd and antique. —

**SYN.** Strange; whimsical; fanciful; singular; queer.

**Quaint'ly**, *adv.* Ingeniously; fancifully; oddly.

**Quaint'ness**, *n.* State of being quaint; oddness.

**Quake**, *v. i.* To shake. — *n.* A shake; a tremulous agitation; a shudder.

**Quak'er**, *n.* One of the society of Friends.

**Quak'er-ism**, *n.* System of the Quakers.

**Qual'i-fi-a-ble** (13), *a.* Capable of being qualified; abatable.

**Qual'i-fi-cā'tion**, *n.* That which qualifies; legal requisite; endowment; modification.

**Qual'i-fy**, *v. t.* To fit; to prepare; to modify; to limit; to abate; to restrict.

**Qual'i-ty**, *n.* Nature; character; distinguishing property; attribute; high rank.

**Quālm** (kwām), *n.* Sudden illness; nausea; a throre; scruple of conscience.

**Quālm'ish** (kwām'-), *a.* Affected with sickness at the stomach.

**Quān'da-ry**, or **Quān-dā'ry**, *n.* State of difficulty or perplexity; uncertainty.

**Quān'ti-ty**, *n.* Quality of being measurable; a certain extent, sum, or portion; bulk; measure, amount.

**Quān'tine** (-teen), *n.* Prohibition of intercourse with the shore, to which an infected ship is subjected.

**Quar'el** (kwōr'el, 8), *n.* A breach of friendship; an angry contest. — *v. i.* To dispute; to find fault.

**Quar'el-sōme**, *a.* Inclined to quarrel; contentious.

**Quar'ry** (kwōr'ry), *n.* A mine; game. — *v. t.* To dig or take from a quarry.

**Quart**, *n.* Fourth of a gallon.

**Quar'tan**, *a.* Designating a fourth. — *n.* An ague occurring every fourth day.

**Quarter**, *n.* A fourth part of any thing; 8 bushels; 3

months; a region; mercy shown to an enemy; (*pl.*) A station occupied by troops. — *v. t.* To divide into four parts; to lodge, as soldiers.

**Quar'ter-day**, *n.* The day that completes the term of three months.

**Quar'ter-deck**, *n.* Deck of a ship from the mainmast to the stern.

**Quar'ter-ly**, *a.* Happening every three months. — *adv.* Once in the quarter of a year. — *n.* A work published four times a year.

**Quar'ter-mas'ter**, *n.* An officer who regulates the quarters, provisions, &c., of an army.

**Quar'tern**, *n.* Fourth part of a pint; a loaf weighing about four pounds.

**Quar'ter-stāff**, *n.* A stout staff once used as a weapon of defense.

**Quar-tette**, } *n.* A musical

**Quar-tet'**, } composition in four parts, or the four persons who perform them.

**Quar'to**, *n.* (*pl.* **Quar'tōs**, 18.) A book in which each sheet is folded into four leaves. [*silex*.]

**Quartz** (kwōrts), *n.* Pure

**Quash** (kwōsh), *v. t.* To crush; to subdue; to annul.

**Quas-sā'tion**, *n.* A shaking.

**Quas'si-ā** (kwōsh'i-ā or kwāsh'i-ā), *n.* A bitter medicinal wood.

**Qua-tēr'ni-on**, *n.* The number four; a set of four persons or things.

**Quā'vēr** (7), *v. i.* To shake the voice. — *n.* A shake of the voice; an eighth note.

**Quay** (kē), *n.* A mole or bank by the water; a wharf.

**Queān**, *n.* A low woman; a slut.

**Queā'sy**, *a.* Squeamish; sick.

**Queen**, *n.* The consort of a king; a female sovereign.

**Queen'-dow-a-ger**, *n.* The widow of a king.

**Queer**, *a.* Odd; strange; singular; quaint.

ā, ē, ī, ō, ū, ŷ, *long*; ä, ö, ī, ō, ū, ŷ, *short*; cāre, cār, āsk, āll, whāt; crē, veil, tērm; p'que, firm;

Queer'ness, *n.* Oddity; singularity; quaintness.  
 Quell (1), *v. t.* To crush; to subdue; to put down; to allay; to appease.  
 Quench, *v. t.* To extinguish; to repress; to allay.  
 Quench'a-ble, *a.* Admitting of being quenched.  
 Quercit-on, *n.* Dyer's oak and the bark.  
 Qu'erist, *n.* One who inquires.  
 Quern, *n.* A hand-mill for grinding grain.  
 Qu'eru-lous, *a.* Habitually complaining.  
 Qu'eru-lous-ness, *n.* Disposition to complain.  
 Qu'ery (19), *n.* A question. — *v. t.* To ask questions about. [search; request.  
 Quest, *n.* Act of seeking;  
 Qu'es'tion (kw'est/yun), *n.* Act of asking; inquiry; doubt. — *v. t.* To ask; to interrogate; to doubt.  
 Qu'es'tion-a-ble, *a.* Doubtful; uncertain; suspicious.  
 Qu'es'tion-er, *n.* One who asks questions; an inquirer.  
 Quib'ble, *n.* An evasion of the truth; a cavil; a pun; a low conceit. — *v. t.* To evade; to pun.  
 Quib'bler, *n.* One who quibbles; a punster.  
 Quick, *a.* Moving or acting with celerity; living. — *SYN.* Swift; speedy. — *adv.* Soon; hastily. — *n.* Any sensible part; living flesh.  
 Quick'en (kwik'n), *v. t.* To make alive; to vivify; to make quick or rapid.  
 Quick'lime, *n.* Lime unslacked. [time.  
 Quick'ly, *adv.* In a short  
 Quick'ness, *n.* Speed; haste.  
 Quick'-sand, *n.* A mass of loose or moving sand mixed with water.  
 Quick'set, *n.* A living shrub set to grow, as for a hedge.  
 Quick'sil-ver, *n.* Mercury.  
 Quid, *n.* A piece of tobacco for chewing; a cud. [ty.  
 Quid'di-ty, *n.* A trifling nice-

Quid'dle, *v. i.* To waste time in trifling employments.  
 Quid'nune, *n.* One curious to know every thing that passes; a gossip.  
 Qui-ès-cence, *n.* Rest; repose; silence.  
 Qui-ès-cent, *a.* At rest; silent.  
 Qui'et, *a.* Free from motion or disturbance. — *SYN.* Still; calm; unmolested; tranquil. — *n.* Rest; tranquillity. — *v. t.* To stop motion in; to calm.  
 Qui'et-ism, *n.* Peace of mind.  
 Qui'et-ly, *adv.* Calmly.  
 Qui'et-ness, *n.* State of being quiet. [lity.  
 Qui'e-tude, *n.* Rest; tranquillity.  
 Qui-è-tus, *n.* Final discharge; repose; death.  
 Quill, *n.* A large strong feather; a piece of reed. — *v. t.* To plait or form with ridges, like quills.  
 Quilt, *n.* A padded cover for a bed. — *v. t.* To stitch together with some warm substance between.  
 Qui'na-ry, *a.* Consisting of five; arranged by fives.  
 Quince, *n.* A small tree and its fruit.  
 Qui'nine, or Qui'nine', *n.* An alkaloid obtained from cinchona.  
 Quin'qua-gès'i-mà, *n.* A Sunday about 50 days before Easter. [five angles.  
 Quin-quan'gu-lar, *a.* Having  
 Quin-quen'ni-al, *a.* Occurring once in five years.  
 Quin'sy, *n.* Inflammation of the tonsils or throat.  
 Quint'al, *n.* A weight of 100 or 112 pounds.  
 Quint'an, *n.* A fever, the paroxysms of which return every fifth day.  
 Quin-tès-sence, *n.* Fifth or highest essence; best or essential part.  
 Quin'tu-ple, *a.* Fivefold. — *v. t.* To make fivefold.  
 Quip, *n.* A sarcastic taunt. — *v. t.* or *i.* (7) To taunt.

Quire, *n.* 24 sheets of paper.  
 Quirk, *n.* A sudden turn; an artful evasion; a retort.  
 Quit, *v. t.* To leave; to forsake. — *a.* Clear; released; free; absolved.  
 Quit'claim, *n.* Relinquishment of a claim; a deed of release. — *v. t.* To release or relinquish a claim to by deed.  
 Quite, *adv.* Entirely; wholly; considerably.  
 Quit'rent, *n.* A rent by which a tenant is discharged from all other service.  
 Quit'tance, *n.* Discharge from a debt; repayment.  
 Quiv'er, *n.* A case for arrows. — *v. i.* To shake; to tremble. [extravagance.  
 Quix-òt'ie, *a.* Romantic to Quix-òt-ism, *n.* Romantic and absurd notions.  
 Quiz (3, 7), *n.* A riddle; a puzzle; an odd fellow. — *v. t.* To puzzle; to make sport of by deceiving; to peer at.  
 Quoin (kwoin or koin), *n.* A corner; a wedge.  
 Quoit, *n.* A horse-shoe, flat stone, or the like, for pitching at a fixed object. — *v. t.* To play at quoits.  
 Quon'dam, *a.* Former.  
 Quo'rums, *n.* A bench of justices; a sufficient number for transacting business.  
 Quo'ta, *n.* A share; proportional part.  
 Quo'ta-ble, *a.* Capable of being quoted.  
 Quo-tà'tion, *n.* A passage cited.  
 Quote, *v. t.* To cite, as the words of another.  
 Quoth (kwùth or kwùth), *v. i.* To say; to speak; — used only in the first and third persons in the past tense.  
 Quo-tid'i-an, *a.* Occurring daily. — *n.* A fever recurring daily.  
 Quo'tient (-shent), *n.* Number resulting from the division of one number by another.