

Alphabetics[®] Word List

This list of common two and three-letter words (and a few four-letter words) is a useful resource for beginners constructing their first words, or for students for whom English is a second language.

You can make thousands of English words from the Alphabetics cards. This is not a complete list – it's just to get you started.

Please note phonic words that use only the *basic letter sounds* are highlighted in **bold**.

2-letter words

am	an	as	at	be	by
do	go	he	hi	if	in
is	it	ma	me	my	no
of	on	or	pa	so	to
up	us	we			

3-letter words

act	add	ads	age	ago	aid
aim	air	all	and	ant	any
ape	arm	art	ash	ask	ate
axe					

bad	bag	ban	bar	bat	bay
bed	bee	beg	bet	bib	big
bin	bit	bob	bow	box	boy
bud	bug	bun	bus	but	buy

cab	can	cap	car	cat	cod
cog	cop	cot	cow	cry	cub
cup	cut				

dad	dam	day	den	dew	did
dig	dim	dip	dog	dot	dry
dud	dug				
ear	eat	eel	egg	emu	end
eye					
fan	far	fat	fed	few	fig
fit	fix	fly	fog	for	fox
fun	fur				
gap	gas	gem	get	god	got
gum					
had	has	hat	hay	hem	her
hey	hid	him	hip	his	hit
hop	hot	how	hug	hum	hut
ice	icy	ill	imp	ink	inn
its					
jam	jar	jaw	jet	job	jog
joy	jug				
lad	lap	law	lay	led	leg
let	lid	lie	lip	lit	log
lot	low				
mad	man	map	mat	men	met
mix	mob	mop	mud	mug	mum

nab nap net new nip nod
not now nut

oaf oar oat oil old one
our out owe owl own

pal pan pat paw pea pie
pig pip pit pot pub put

rag ran rat raw ray rib
rid rip rob rod row rub
rug run

sat saw say sea see set
sew she shy sea sip sir six
ski sky sly son sow soy
spy sum sun

tap tea ten the tie toe
ton too top toy try tub
tug two

use

van vet vow

war was way web wet who
why wig won

yes yet yum

zip zoo

4-letter words

boat	back	best	bump	cats	desk
dogs	eggs	fast	gift	girl	hand
head	jump	kite	left	lift	logs
milk	nest	open	pens	pink	pond
quiz	rest	seat	sent	sock	tent
tops	very	wash	went	wish	yell