

kilo-

WORD ORIGIN

1 a Greek combining form meaning “thousand,” introduced from French in the nomenclature of the metric system (*kiloliter*); on this model, used in the formation of compound words in other scientific measurements (*kilowatt*).

NEARBY WORDS

kiln run brick, kiln-dried, kiln-dry, kilner jar, kilo, **kilo-**, kilobar, kilobit, kilobyte, kilocalorie, kilocurie

ORIGIN OF KILO-


< French, representing Greek *chīlīoi* a thousand

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


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
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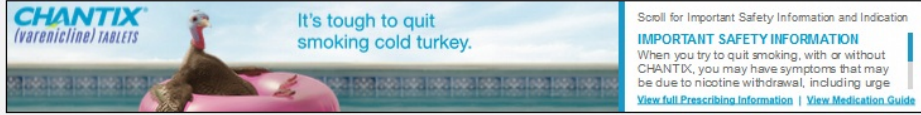
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kilo-

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mega-

WORD ORIGIN

1 variant of **megal-** (*megalith*); also the initial element in units of measure that are equal to one million of the units denoted by the base word (*megahertz*). *Symbol:* M

NEARBY WORDS

mefenamic acid, meff, mefloquine, meg, mega, **mega-**, megabacterium, megabit, megabladder, megabuck, megabyte

Also especially before a vowel, **meg-**.

ORIGIN OF MEGA-

combining form representing Greek *mégas* large, great

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giga-

WORD ORIGIN

- 1 a combining form meaning "billion," used in the formation of compound words: *gigabyte*.

NEARBY WORDS

[gifu](#), [gig](#), [gig economy](#), [gig mill](#), [gig-lamps](#), **giga-**, [gigabit](#), [gigabyte](#), [gigacycle](#), [gigaelectron volt](#), [gigaflop](#)

ORIGIN OF GIGA-

From the Greek word *gigās* [giant](#)

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giga-

 / (ˈgɪɡə, ˈɡaɪɡə) /

combining form

- 1 denoting 10⁹: *gigavolt* Symbol: **G**
- 2 (in computer technology) denoting 2³⁰: *gigabyte*

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tera-

WORD ORIGIN

- 1 a combining form used in the names of units of measure equal to one trillion of a given base unit:
terahertz.
- 2 *Computers.* a combining form of like function with the value 2^{40} (=1,099,511,627,766). *Abbreviation:* T

NEARBY WORDS

ter, ter borch, ter borch, gerard, ter-, ter-, **tera-**, terabyte, teraflop, teraflops, teraglin, terah

ORIGIN OF TERA-

< Greek *téras* monster. See *terato-*

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peta-

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- 1 a combining form used in the names of units of measure equal to one quadrillion (10^{15}) of a given base unit:
petabyte.

NEARBY WORDS

pet scanning, pet sitting, pet., pet.e., **peta**, **peta-**, petabyte, petach tikva, petah tiqwa, petahertz, petal

ORIGIN OF PETA-

origin uncertain

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He tells me about the absurdity of the ASPCA, the Humane Society of the United States, and *PETA*.
SHOULD TONY THE TRUCK STOP TIGER GO FREE? | MELISSA LEON | JUNE 28, 2014 | DAILY BEAST

As recently reported by The Daily Beast, *PETA* has launched a campaign that tries to link milk consumption and autism.
PETA NEEDS TO STFU ABOUT AUTISM AND DAIRY | RUSSELL SAUNDERS | JUNE 10, 2014 | DAILY BEAST

It seems that *PETA* was unhappy to have had its revamped campaign debunked.
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exa-

WORD ORIGIN

- 1 a combining form used in the names of units of measure equal to one quintillion (10¹⁸) of a given base unit:
exabyte.

NEARBY WORDS

ex-servicewoman, ex-vofo, ex-works, ex., [ex_doc.](#), **exa-**, exabyte, exacerbate, exacerbation, exact, exact differential

ORIGIN OF EXA-

probably << Greek *exō-* outside, out of

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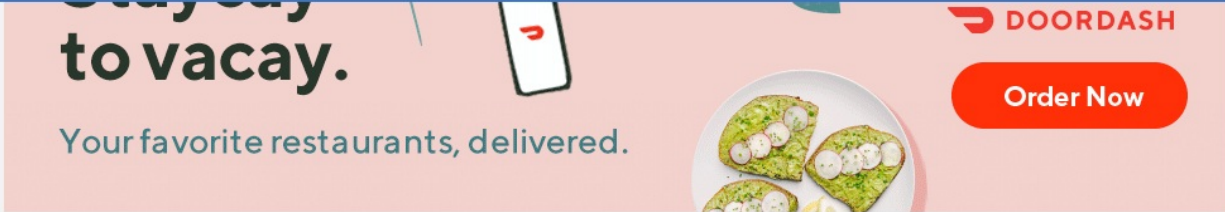
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zetta-

WORD ORIGIN

1 a combining form used in the names of units of measure equal to one sextillion ²¹ of a given base unit.

NEARBY WORDS

[zeta-jones](#), [zetacrit](#), [zetetic](#), [zethar](#), [zetland](#), **zetta-**, [zettabyte](#), [zettahertz](#), [zeugma](#), [zeugmatic](#), [zeus](#)

ORIGIN OF ZETTA-

possibly an alteration of Greek *zēta*, sixth letter of the Greek alphabet (representing z)

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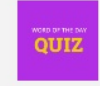


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yotta-

WORD ORIGIN

- 1 a combining form used in the names of units of measure equal to one septillion (10^{24}) of a given base unit.

NEARBY WORDS

yosemite falls, yosemite national park, yoshihito, yoshkar-ola, yosu, **yotta-**, yottabyte, yottahertz, you, you bet your ass, you better believe it

ORIGIN OF YOTTA-

possibly an alteration of Greek *iōta*, ninth letter of the Greek alphabet (representing *y*)

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