

power

noun, often attributive
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Definition of power

(Entry 1 of 3)

1a(1): ability to act or produce an effect

(2): ability to get extra-base hits

(3): capacity for being acted upon or undergoing an effect

b: legal or official authority, capacity, or right

2a: possession of control, authority, or influence over others

b: one having such power specifically: a sovereign state

c: a controlling group: establishment—often used in the phrase the powers that be

d archaic: a force of armed men

e chiefly dialectal: a large number or quantity

3a: physical might

b: mental or moral efficacy

c: political control or influence

4 powers plural: an order of angels — see celestial hierarchy

5a: the number of times as indicated by an exponent that a number occurs as a factor in a product 5 to the third power is 125 also: the product itself 8 is a power of 2

b: cardinal number sense 2

6a: a source or means of supplying energy especially: electricity

b: motive power

c: the time rate at which work is done or energy emitted or transferred

7: magnification sense 2b

8: scope entry 1 sense 3

9: the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis in a statistical test when a particular alternative hypothesis happens to be true

power

<u>verb</u>

powered; powering; powers

Definition of *power* (Entry 2 of 3)

transitive verb

1: to supply with power and especially motive power

2: to give impetus to

intransitive verb

1: to move about by means of motive power

2: to move with great speed or force

power

adjective

Definition of *power* (Entry 3 of 3)

1: operated mechanically or electrically rather than manually a car with power locks power tools

2: of, relating to, or utilizing strength plays a power game also: powerful sense 1 a power critic

3: of, relating to, or being a meal at which influential people discuss business or politics a power lunch

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Synonyms & Antonyms for power

Synonyms: Noun

arm, authority, clutch, command, control, death grip, dominion, grip, hold, mastery, reign, rein(s), sway

Antonyms: Noun

impotence, impotency, powerlessness

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Choose the Right Synonym for power

Noun

power, authority, jurisdiction, control, command, sway, dominion mean the right to govern or rule or determine. power implies possession of ability to wield force, authority, or influence. the power to mold public opinion authority implies power for a specific purpose within specified limits. granted the authority to manage her estate jurisdiction applies to official power exercised within prescribed limits. the bureau having jurisdiction over parks control stresses the power to direct and restrain. you are responsible for the students under your control command implies the power to make arbitrary decisions and compel obedience. the army officer in command sway suggests the extent of exercised power or influence. the empire extended its sway over the region dominion stresses sovereign power or supreme authority. given dominion over all the animals

<u>power</u>, <u>force</u>, <u>energy</u>, <u>strength</u>, <u>might</u> mean the ability to exert effort. <u>power</u> may imply latent or exerted physical, mental, or spiritual ability to act or be acted upon. the awesome <u>power</u> of flowing water <u>force</u> implies the actual effective exercise of power. used enough <u>force</u> to push the door open <u>energy</u> applies to power expended or capable of being transformed into work. a worker with boundless <u>energy strength</u> applies to the quality or property of a person or thing that makes possible the exertion of force or the withstanding of strain, pressure, or attack. use weight training to build your <u>strength</u> <u>might</u> implies great or overwhelming power or strength. the belief that <u>might</u> makes right

Examples of power in a Sentence

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She is from a very wealthy family with a lot of social *power*. The company abused its *power*, forcing workers to work overtime without pay.

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Noun

13th century, in the meaning defined at sense 1a(1).

Verb

1540, in the meaning defined at transitive sense 1

Adjective

1822, in the meaning defined at sense 1

History and Etymology for power

Noun

Middle English, from Anglo-French *poer, pouer*, from *poer* to be able, from Vulgar Latin *potēre, alteration of Latin posse — more at <u>potent</u>

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power

<u>noun</u>



English Language Learners Definition of power

(Entry 1 of 3)

- : the ability or right to control people or things
- : political control of a country or area
- a person or organization that has a lot of control and influence over other people or organizations

power

<u>verb</u>

English Language Learners Definition of power (Entry 2 of 3)

- : to supply (something) with power
- : to move with great speed or force

power

adjective

English Language Learners Definition of power (Entry 3 of 3)

- : of or relating to electrical power
- : operated by using electricity rather than a person's strength
- : having great strength or power

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power

noun

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Kids Definition of power

(Entry 1 of 2)

- 1: possession of control, authority, or influence over others
- 2: a nation that has influence among other nations a foreign power
- 3: the ability to act or produce an effect It's in your power to change things.
- 4: the right to do something the president's powers
- 5: physical might: strength The wind grew in power.
- 6: the number of times as shown by an exponent that a number is used as a factor to obtain a product 103 is the third *power* of 10 and means $10 \times 10 \times 10$.
- 7: force or energy used to do work electric *power*
- 8: the rate of speed at which work is done
- 9: the number of times an optical instrument (as a microscope) magnifies the object viewed

power

<u>verb</u>

powered; powering

Kids Definition of *power* (Entry 2 of 2)

: to supply with a form of energy The old train was powered by coal.

power

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Medical Definition of power

- 1: an inherent property or effect a drug that enhances the heart's pumping power— Kathleen Fackelmann
- 2: magnification sense 2b

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power

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Legal Definition of power

1: capability of acting or of producing an effect parties of unequal bargaining power

2a: authority or capacity to act that is delegated by law or constitution —often used in pl.

— commerce power

often capitalized C&P: the power delegated to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution to regulate commerce especially among the states — see also <u>commerce clause</u>

— concurrent power

- : a power that is held simultaneously by more than one entity specifically: a power delegated to the federal government by the U.S. Constitution that is also held by the states
- enumerated powers \ i- 'nü-mə- rā-təd-, 'nyü- \
- : the powers specifically named and delegated to the federal government or prohibited to be exercised by the states under the U.S. Constitution compare reserved powers in this entry

— executive power

: the power delegated to the executive of a government specifically : any or all of the powers delegated to the president under Article II of the U.S. Constitution

- implied power

- : a power that is reasonably necessary and appropriate to carry out the purposes of a power expressly granted especially: a power that is not specifically delegated to the federal government by the U.S. Constitution but that is implied by the necessary and proper clause to be delegated for the purpose of carrying out the enumerated powers
- see also McCulloch v. Maryland

— judicial power

: the power granted to the judicial branch of a government specifically : the power delegated to the judiciary under Article III of the U.S. Constitution

— legislative power

: the power delegated to a legislative branch of a government specifically : any or all of the powers delegated to Congress under Article I of the U.S. Constitution

- police power

: the power of a government to exercise reasonable control over persons and property within its jurisdiction in the interest of the general security, health, safety, morals, and welfare except where legally prohibited (as by constitutional provision)

- reserved powers

: the political powers reserved by a constitution to the exclusive jurisdiction of a specified political authority specifically: powers that are not expressly delegated to the federal government nor expressly prohibited to the states and are therefore left to the states under the Tenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution — compare enumerated powers in this entry

— spending power

: the power granted to a government body to make expenditures specifically: the power delegated to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the U.S.

- taxing power

: the power granted to a government body to lay and collect taxes specifically : such power delegated to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

--- war powers

- : the powers delegated to the executive and legislative branches of the federal government relating to the waging of war: as
- a: the power delegated to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution to declare war
- b: the power delegated to the president under Article II, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution to serve as commander in chief of the armed forces
- b: an ability, authority, or right usually conferred by one person upon another to do something that effects a change in a legal relationship specifically: such authority or right to affect another's interest in property (as by conveyance) see also power of appointment, power of attorney

-- collateral power

: naked power in this entry

— general power

: a power that may be exercised in favor of anyone including the donee

— implied power

: the power of one acting under an implied agency

--- naked power

: a power (as a power of sale) granted to one who has no interest in the property to which the power relates (as an executor who is not a legatee or devisee)

— called also collateral power

- compare power coupled with an interest in this entry
- power appendant \ -ə-'pen-dənt \
- : a power coupled with an interest (as a grant of a lease) that the donee can exercise only out of an estate (as a life estate) that he or she holds
- called also power appurtenant

--- power coupled with an interest

: a power accompanying an interest of the donee in the property to which the power relates

— power in gross

: a naked power exercisable by the donee only in the creation of estates that will not attach to the estate the donee holds or be satisfied out of the donee's own interest

- power of acceptance

: the power of an offeree to bind an offeror to a contract by accepting the offer

— power of modification \ - mä-də-fə- kā-shən \

: a power reserved in an instrument (as one creating a trust) to make changes by a specified method

— power of revocation

: a power usually reserved by a person in an instrument (as one creating a trust) to revoke the legal relationship that the person has created or made a possibility

— power of sale

: a power granted (as in a will, trust, or mortgage) to sell the property to which the power relates often under specified circumstances (as upon the default of a mortgage)

— power of termination

: a power of a grantor or the grantor's successors in interest to enter upon an estate that was granted upon a condition after the breach of the condition in order to terminate the granted estate and revest it in the grantor or successors in interest

- called also right of entry, right of reentry

— special power

: a power in which the person or class of persons to whom the disposition of property under the power is to be made is expressly designated and excludes the donee or where the power is to transfer, charge, or encumber any estate less than a fee simple

- stock power

: an irrevocable power of attorney used in making a transfer of a certificate of stock

3a: possession of control, authority, or influence over others

b: one having such power specifically: a sovereign state

c: political control or influence

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Definition of fuel

(Entry 1 of 2)

1a: a material used to produce heat or power by burning

b: nutritive material

c: a material from which atomic energy can be liberated especially in a reactor

2: a source of sustenance or incentive: reinforcement

fuel

verb

fueled or fuelled; fueling or fuelling

Definition of fuel (Entry 2 of 2)

transitive verb

1: to provide with fuel

2: support, stimulate movement is fueled by massive grants-in-aid— Allen Schick

intransitive verb

: to take in fuel —often used with up

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energy, power

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fuel

noun



English Language Learners Definition of fuel

(Entry 1 of 2)

- : a material (such as coal, oil, or gas) that is burned to produce heat or power
- : something that gives support or strength to something (such as argument or angry feelings)

fuel

verb

English Language Learners Definition of fuel (Entry 2 of 2)

- : to supply (something) with fuel
- : to take in fuel
- : to give support or strength to (something)

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fuel

<u>noun</u>

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Kids Definition of fuel

(Entry 1 of 2)

: a substance (as oil or gasoline) that can be burned to produce heat or power

fuel

verb

fueled or fuelled; fueling or fuelling

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