

3. Foul with soot.

4. Black like soot; dusky; dark; as the sooty flag of Acheron. *Milton.*

SOOTY, *v. t.* To black or foul with soot. [Not authorized.] *Chapman.*

SOP, *n.* [D. Sax. *sop*; G. *suppe*, soup; Dan. *suppe*; Sw. *soppa*; Sp. *sopa*; It. *zuppa*; Fr. *soupe*. See Class Sb. No. 2. 30. &c. Qu. *sop.*]

1. Any thing steeped or dipped and softened in liquor, but chiefly something thus dipped in broth or liquid food, and intended to be eaten.

Sops in wine, quantity for quantity, inebriate more than wine itself. *Bacon.*

2. Any thing given to pacify; so called from the sop given to Cerberus, in mythology. Hence the phrase, to give a *sop* to Cerberus.

Sop-in-wine, a kind of pink. *Spenser.*

SOP, *v. t.* To steep or dip in liquor.

SOPE. [See *Soap*.]

SOPH, *n.* [L. *sophista*.] In colleges and universities, a student in his second year; a sophomore.

SOPH, *n.* A title of the king of Persia. *Shak.*

SOPHICAL, *a.* [Gr. *σοφος*, wise; *σοφια*, wisdom.]

Teaching wisdom. [Not in use.] *Harris.*

SOPHISM, *n.* [Fr. *sophisme*; L. *sophisma*; Gr. *σοφισμα*.]

A specious but fallacious argument; a subtilty in reasoning; an argument that is not supported by sound reasoning, or in which the inference is not justly deduced from the premises.

When a false argument puts on the appearance of a true one, then it is properly called a *sophism* or fallacy. *Watts.*

SOPHIST, *n.* [L. *sophista*; Fr. *sophiste*; It. *sofista*.]

1. A professor of philosophy; as the *sophists* of Greece. *Temple.*

2. A raptious or fallacious reasoner.

SOPHISTER, *n.* [supra.] A disputant fallaciously subtil; an artful but insidious logician; as an atheistical *sophister*.

Not all the subtil objections of *sophisters* and rabbies against the gospel, so much prejudiced the reception of it, as the reproach of those crimes with which they aspersed the assemblies of Christians. *Rogers.*

2. A professor of philosophy; a *sophist*. *Obs.*

SOPHISTER, *v. t.* To maintain by a fallacious argument. [Not in use.] *Hooker.*

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SOPHISTIC, } *a.* [Fr. *sophistique*; It. *sostifico*.] Fallaciously subtil; not sound; as *sophistical* reasoning or argument.

SOPHISTICALLY, *adv.* With fallacious subtilty. *Swift.*

SOPHISTICATE, *v. t.* [Fr. *sophistiquer*; Sp. *sostificar*.]

1. To adulterate; to corrupt by something spurious or foreign; to pervert; as, to *sophisticate* nature, philosophy or the understanding. *Hooker.* *South.*

2. To adulterate; to render spurious; as *sophisticate* wares or liquors.

They purchase but *sophisticated* ware. *Dryden.*

SOPHISTICATE, *a.* Adulterated; not pure; not genuine.

So truth, when only one supplied the state, Grew scarce and dear, and yet *sophisticate*. *Dryden.*

SOPHISTICATION, *n.* The act of adulterating; a counterfeiting or debasing the purity of something by a foreign admixture; adulteration. *Boyle.* *Quincy.*

SOPHISTICATOR, *n.* One that adulterates; one who injures the purity and genuineness of any thing by foreign admixture. *Whitaker.*

SOPHISTRY, *n.* Fallacious reasoning; reasoning sound in appearance only.

These men have obscured and confounded the nature of things by their false principles and wretched *sophistry*. *South.*

2. Exercise in logic. *Fulton.*

SOPHOMORE, *n.* [See *Soph*.] A student in a college or university, in his second year.

SOPITE, *v. t.* To lay asleep. [Not in use.] *Cheync.*

SOPITION, *n.* [L. *sopio*, to lay asleep.]

Sleep. [Not in use.] *Brown.*

SOPORATE, *v. t.* [L. *soporo*.] To lay asleep. [Not in use.]

SOPORIFEROUS, *a.* [L. *soporifer*; *sopor*, sleep, and *fero*, to bring; from *sopio*, to lull to sleep; Sans. *swapa*, sleep. *Sopio* agrees in elements with *sober*.]

Causing sleep, or tending to produce it; narcotic; opiate; anodyne; somniferous. The poppy possesses *soporiferous* qualities.

SOPORIFEROUSNESS, *n.* The quality of causing sleep.

SOPORIFIC, *a.* [L. *sopor*, sleep, and *facio*, to make.]

Causing sleep; tending to cause sleep; narcotic; as the *soporific* virtues of opium. *Locke.*

SOPORIFIC, *n.* A medicine, drug, plant or other thing that has the quality of inducing sleep.

SOPOROUS, *a.* [L. *soporos*, from *sopor*, sleep.]

Causing sleep; sleepy. *Greenhill.*

SOPPED, *pp.* [from *sop*.] Dipped in liquid food.

SOPPER, *n.* [from *sop*.] One that sops or dips in liquor something to be eaten. *Johnson.*

SORB, *n.* [Fr. *sorbe*; It. *sorba*, sorbo; L. *sorbum*, sorbus.] The service tree or its fruit.

SORBATE, *n.* A compound of sorbic acid with a base. *Ure.*

SORBENT. [See *Absorbent*.]

SORBIC, *a.* Pertaining to the sorbus or service tree; as *sorbic* acid.

SORBILE, *a.* [L. *sorbeo*.] That may be drank or sipped. [Not in use.]

SORBITION, *n.* [L. *sorbitio*.] The act of drinking or sipping. [Not in use.]

SORBONICAL, *a.* Belonging to a sorbonist. *Bale.*

SORBONIST, *n.* A doctor of the Sorbonne in the university of Paris. Sorbonne is the place of meeting, and hence is used for the whole faculty of theology.

SORCERER, *n.* [Fr. *sorcier*; Arm. *sorea*; supposed to be from L. *sors*, lot. But see Class Fr. No. 24. Eth.] A conjurer; an enchanter; a magician.

The Egyptian *sorcerers* contended with Moses. *Watts.*

SORCERESS, *n.* A female magician or enchantress. *Milton.* *Shak.*

SORCEROUS, *a.* Containing enchantments. *Chapman.*

SORCERY, *n.* Magic; enchantment; witchcraft; divination by the assistance or supposed assistance of evil spirits, or the power of commanding evil spirits. *Enyc.*

Adder's wisdom I have learn'd,
To fence my ears against thy *sorceries*. *Milton.*

SORD, for *sward*, is now vulgar. [See *Sward*.]

SORDAWALITE, *n.* A mineral so named from Sordawald, in Wibourg. It is nearly black, rarely gray or green. *Phillips.*

SORDIES, *n.* [L.] Foul matter; excretions; dregs; filthy, useless or rejected matter of any kind. *Coxe.* *Woodward.*

SORDET, } *n.* [Fr. *sourdine*; It. *sordina*;
SORDINE, } from Fr. *sourd*, L. *surdus*, deaf.]

A little pipe in the mouth of a trumpet to make it sound lower or shriller. *Bailey.*

SORDID, *a.* [Fr. *sordide*; It. *sordido*; L. *sordidus*, from *sordes*, filth.] Filthy; foul; dirty; gross.

There Charon stands
A *sordid* god. *Dryden.*

[This literal sense is nearly obsolete.]

2. Vile; base; mean; as vulgar, *sordid* mortals. *Cowley.*

3. Meanly avaricious; covetous; niggardly.

He may be old
And yet not *sordid*, who refuses gold. *Denham.*

SORDIDLY, *adv.* Meanly; basely; covetously.

SORDIDNESS, *n.* Filthiness; dirtiness. *Ray.*

2. Meanness; baseness; as the execrable *sordidness* of the delights of Tiberius. *Cowley.*

3. Niggardliness.

SORE, *n.* [Dan. *saar*, a sore, a wound or an ulcer; D. *weer*; G. *geschwür*; Sw. *sår*. See the next word.]

1. A place in an animal body where the skin and flesh are ruptured or bruised, so as to be pained with the slightest pressure.

2. An ulcer; a boil.

3. In Scripture, grief; affliction. 2 Chron. vi.

SORE, *a.* [Sax. *sar*, pain, also grievous, painful; D. *zeer*; G. *sehr*; also Sax. *swær*, *swar* or *swær*, heavy, grievous; Dan. *svær*; G. *schwer*; D. *zwaar*. This seems to be radically the same word as the former. See *Sorrow*.]

1. Tender and susceptible of pain from pressure; as, a boil, ulcer or abscess is very *sore*; a wounded place is *sore*; inflammation renders a part *sore*.

2. Tender, as the mind; easily pained, grieved or vexed; very susceptible of irritation from any thing that crosses the inclination.

Malice and hatred are very fretting, and apt to make our minds *sore* and uneasy. *Tillotson.*

3. Affected with inflammation; as *sore* eyes.

4. Violent with pain; severe; afflictive; distressing; as a *sore* disease; *sore* evil or calamity; a *sore* night. *Com. Prayer.* *Shak.*