

- And *share* his burden where he *shares* his heart. *Dryden.*
2. To partake or enjoy with others; to seize and possess jointly or in common.
Great Jove with Cesar *shares* his sov'reign sway. *Milton.*
While avarice and rapine *share* the land. *Milton.*
3. To cut; to shear. [*Not now in use.*]
And the *shar'd* visage hangs on equal sides. *Dryden.*

SHARE, v. i. To have part.

A right of inheritance gave every one a title to *share* in the goods of his father. *Locke.*

SHA'RE-BONE, n. The ossa pubis.

SHARED, pp. Held or enjoyed with another or others; divided; distributed in shares.

SHA'REHOLDER, n. [*share* and *holder.*]
One that holds or owns a share in a joint fund or property.

One of the proprietors of the mine, who was a principal *shareholder* in the company, died. *Med. Repos.*

SHARER, n. A partaker; one that participates any thing with another; one who enjoys or suffers in common with another or others; as a *sharer* in another's good fortune; a *sharer* in the toils of war; a *sharer* in a lady's affections.

SHARING, ppr. Partaking; having a part with another; enjoying or suffering with others.

SHARING, n. Participation.

SHARK, n. [*L. carcharias*; *Gr. xapxapias*, from *xapxapos*, sharp; *Corn. skarkias.*]

1. A voracious fish of the genus *Squalus*, of several species. The body is oblong, tapering and rough, and some species have several rows of serrated teeth. The largest grow to the length of thirty feet.
2. A greedy artful fellow; one who fills his pockets by sly tricks. [*Low.*] *South.*
3. Trick; fraud; petty rapine; as, to live upon the *shark*. [*Little used.*] *South.*
4. In *New England*, one that lives by shifts, contrivance or stratagem.

SHARK, v. t. To pick up hastily, slyly or in small quantities. [*Low.*] *Shak.*

SHARK, v. i. To play the petty thief; or rather to live by shifts and petty stratagems. [*In New England*, the common pronunciation is *shurk*, but the word rarely implies fraud.]

2. To cheat; to trick. [*Low.*] *Ainsworth.*
3. To fawn upon for a dinner; to beg. *Johnson.*

To *shark out*, to slip out or escape by low artifices. [*Vulgar.*]

SHARKER, n. One that lives by sharking; an artful fellow. *Wotton.*

SHARKING, ppr. Picking up in haste; living by petty rapine, or by shifts and devices.

SHARKING, n. Petty rapine; trick.

2. The seeking of a livelihood by shifts and devices.

SHARP, a. [*Sax. scearp*; *D. scherp*; *G. scharf*; *Dan. Sw. skarp*; *Turk. seerp*; probably from the root of *shear*, *shire*, *short*; the radical letters being *Cr* or *Gr.*]

1. Having a very thin edge or fine point; keen; acute; not blunt. Thus we say, a *sharp* knife, or a *sharp* needle. A *sharp*

edge easily severs a substance; a *sharp* point is easily made to penetrate it.

2. Terminating in a point or edge; not obtuse; as, a hill terminates in a *sharp* peak, or a *sharp* ridge.

3. Forming an acute or too small angle at the ridge; as a *sharp* roof.

4. Acute of mind; quick to discern or distinguish; penetrating; ready at invention; witty; ingenious.

Nothing makes men *sharper* than want.

Addison.
Many other things belong to the material world, wherein the *sharpest* philosophers have not yet obtained clear ideas. *Watts.*

5. Being of quick or nice perception; applied to the senses or organs of perception; as a *sharp* eye; *sharp* sight.

To *sharp* ey'd reason this would seem untrue. *Dryden.*

6. Affecting the organs of taste like fine points; sour; acid; as *sharp* vinegar; *sharp* tasted citrons. *Dryden.*

7. Affecting the organs of hearing like sharp points; piercing; penetrating; shrill; as a *sharp* sound or voice; a *sharp* note or tone; opposed to a *flat* note or sound.

8. Severe; harsh; biting; sarcastic; as *sharp* words; *sharp* rebuke.

—Be thy words severe,

Sharp as he merits; but the sword forbear. *Dryden.*

9. Severely rigid; quick or severe in punishing; cruel.

To that place the *sharp* Athenian law Cannot pursue us. *Shak.*

10. Eager for food; keen; as a *sharp* appetite.

11. Eager in pursuit; keen in quest.

My faulchion now is *sharp* and passing empty. *Shak.*

12. Fierce; ardent; fiery; violent; as a *sharp* contest.

A *sharp* assault already is begun. *Dryden.*

13. Keen; severe; pungent; as *sharp* pain.

14. Very painful or distressing; as *sharp* tribulation; a *sharp* fit of the gout.

15. Very attentive or vigilant.

Sharp at her utmost ken she cast her eyes. *Dryden.*

16. Making nice calculations of profit; or close and exact in making bargains or demanding dues. *Swift.*

17. Biting; pinching; piercing; as *sharp* air; *sharp* wind or weather. *Ray.*

18. Subtil; nice; witty; acute; *used of things*; as a *sharp* discourse.

19. Among workmen, hard; as *sharp* sand. *Moxon.*

20. Emaciated; lean; thin; as a *sharp* visage. *Milton.*

To *brace sharp*, in seamanship, to turn the yards to the most oblique position possible, that the ship may lay well up to the wind. *Mar. Dict.*

SHARP, n. In *music*, an acute sound. *Shak.*

2. A note artificially raised a semitone; or,

3. The character which directs the note to be thus elevated; opposed to a *flat*, which depresses a note a semitone. *Encyc.*

4. A pointed weapon. [*Not in use.*] *Collier.*

SHARP, v. t. To make keen or acute.

2. To render quick.
3. To mark with a sharp, in musical composition; or to raise a note a semitone.

SHARP, v. i. To play tricks in bargaining. to act the sharper. *L'Estrange.*

SHARP-EDGED, a. Having a fine keen edge.

SHARPEN, v. t. *shärpn.* [*G. schärfen*; *D. scherpen*; *Sw. skärpa.*]

1. To make sharp; to give a keen edge or fine point to a thing; to edge; to point; as, to *sharpen* a knife, an ax or the teeth of a saw; to *sharpen* a sword.

All the Israelites went down to the Philistines to *sharpen* every man his share and his coulter, and his ax and his mattock. 1 Sam. xiii.

2. To make more eager or active; as, to *sharpen* the edge of industry. *Hooker.*

3. To make more pungent and painful. The abuse of wealth and greatness may hereafter *sharpen* the sting of conscience.

4. To make more quick, acute or ingenious. The wit or the intellect is *sharpened* by study.

5. To render perception more quick or acute.

Th' air *sharpen'd* his visual ray To objects distant far. *Milton.*

6. To render more keen; to make more eager for food or for any gratification; as, to *sharpen* the appetite; to *sharpen* a desire. *Shak. Tillotson.*

7. To make biting, sarcastic or severe.

8. To render less flat, or more shrill or piercing.

Inlosures not only preserve sound, but increase and *sharpen* it. *Bacon.*

9. To make more tart or acid; to make sour; as, the rays of the sun *sharpen* vinegar.

10. To make more distressing; as, to *sharpen* grief or other evil.

11. In *music*, to raise a sound by means of a sharp. *Prof. Fisher.*

SHARPEN, v. i. To grow or become sharp. *Shak.*

SHARPER, n. A shrewd man in making bargains; a tricking fellow; a cheat in bargaining or gaming.

Sharpeners, as pikes, prey upon their own kind. *L'Estrange.*

SHARPLY, adv. With a keen edge or a fine point.

2. Severely; rigorously; roughly. Tit. i.

They are to be more *sharply* chastised and reformed than the rude Irish. *Spenser.*

3. Keenly; acutely; vigorously; as the mind and memory *sharply* exercised. *B. Jonson.*

4. Violently; vehemently.

At the arrival of the English ambassadors, the soldiers were *sharply* assailed with wants. *Hayward.*

5. With keen perception; exactly; minutely.

You contract your eye, when you would see *sharply*. *Bacon.*

6. Acutely; wittily; with nice discernment.

SHARPNESS, n. Keeness of an edge or point; as the *sharpness* of a razor or a dart.

2. Not obtuseness. *Wotton.*

3. Pungency; acidity; as the *sharpness* of vinegar. *Watts.*

4. Pungency of pain; keenness; severity of pain or affliction; as the *sharpness* of pain, grief or anguish.

5. Painfulness; afflictiveness; as the *sharpness* of death or calamity.