

CONIFORM, *a.* [*cone* and *form*.] In form of a cone; conical; as a *coniform* mountain of Potosi. *Kirwan.*

CONITE, *n.* [*Gr. xovis*, dust.] A mineral of an ash or greenish gray color, which becomes brown by exposure to the air, occurring massive or stalactitic; found in Saxony and in Iceland. *Ure.*

CONJECT, *v. t.* To throw together, or to throw. [*Not used*.] *Montagu.*

CONJECT, *v. i.* To guess. [*Not used*.] *Shak.*

CONJECTOR, *n.* [*L. from conjicio*, to cast together; *con* and *jacio*, to throw.] One who guesses or conjectures. [*See Conjecture*.] *Swift.*

CONJECTURABLE, *a.* That may be guessed or conjectured.

CONJECTURAL, *a.* Depending on conjecture; done or said by guess; as a *conjectural* opinion.

CONJECTURALLY, *adv.* Without proof or evidence; by conjecture; by guess; as, this opinion was given *conjecturally*.

CONJECTURE, *n.* [*L. conjectura*; *Fr. conjecture*; *It. congettura*, or *congiettura*; *Sp. conjetura*; *Port. conjectura* or *conjetura*. See *Conjector*.]

1. Literally, a casting or throwing together of possible or probable events; or a casting of the mind to something future, or something past but unknown; a guess, formed on a supposed possibility or probability of a fact, or on slight evidence; preponderance of opinion without proof; surmise. We speak of future or unknown things by *conjecture*, and of probable or unfounded *conjectures*.

2. Idea; notion. *Shak.*

CONJECTURE, *v. t.* To guess; to judge by guess, or by the probability or the possibility of a fact, or by very slight evidence; to form an opinion at random. What will be the issue of a war, we may *conjecture*, but cannot know. He *conjectured* that some misfortune had happened.

CONJECTURED, *pp.* Guessed; surmised. **CONJECTURER**, *n.* One who guesses; a guesser; one who forms or utters an opinion without proof. *Addison.*

CONJECTURING, *ppr.* Guessing; surmising.

CONJOIN, *v. t.* [*Fr. conjoindre*; *It. congiungere*, or *congiungere*; *L. conjungo*; *con* and *jungo*, to join. See *Join*.]

1. To join together, without any thing intermediate; to unite two or more persons or things in close connection; as, to *conjoin* friends; to *conjoin* man and woman in marriage. *Dryden. Shak.*

2. To associate, or connect.

Let that which he learns next be nearly *conjoined* with what he knows already. *Locke.*

CONJOIN, *v. i.* To unite; to join; to league. *Shak.*

CONJOINED, *pp.* Joined to or with; united; associated.

CONJOINING, *ppr.* Joining together; uniting; connecting.

CONJOINT, *a.* United; connected; associated.

Conjoint degrees, in music, two notes which follow each other immediately in the order of the scale; as *ut* and *re*. *Johnson.*

Conjoint tetrachords, two tetrachords or

fourths, where the same chord is the highest of one and the lowest of the other. *Encyc.*

CONJOINTLY, *adv.* Jointly; unitedly; in union; together. *Dryden.*

CONJUGAL, *a.* [*L. conjugalis*, from *conjungo*, marriage; *con*, to yoke or couple; *con* and *jugo*, id. See *Join* and *Yoke*.]

1. Belonging to marriage; matrimonial; connubial; as *conjugal* relation; *conjugal* ties.

2. Suitable to the married state; becoming a husband in relation to his consort, or a consort in relation to her husband; as *conjugal* affection.

CONJUGALLY, *adv.* Matrimonially; connubially.

CONJUGATE, *v. t.* [*L. conjugo*, *conjungatus*, to couple; *con* and *jugo*, to yoke, to marry. See *Join* and *Yoke*.]

1. To join; to unite in marriage. [*Not now used*.] *Wotton.*

2. In grammar, to distribute the parts or inflections of a verb, into the several voices, modes, tenses, numbers and persons, so as to show their connections, distinctions, and modes of formation. Literally, to connect all the inflections of a verb, according to their derivation, or all the variations of one verb. In English, as the verb undergoes few variations, conjugation consists chiefly in combining the words which unitedly form the several tenses in the several persons.

CONJUGATE, *n.* A word agreeing in derivation with another word, and therefore generally resembling it in signification.

We have learned in logic, that *conjugates* are sometimes in name only, and not in deed. *Branhall.*

CONJUGATE, *a.* In botany, a conjugate leaf is a pinnate leaf which has only one pair of leaflets; a conjugate raceme has two racemes only, united by a common peduncle. *Martyn.*

Conjugate diameter or *axis*, in geometry, a right line bisecting the transverse diameter; the shortest of the two diameters of an ellipse. *Chambers. Encyc.*

CONJUGATION, *n.* [*L. conjugatio*.] A couple or pair; as a conjugation of nerves. [*Little used*.] *Broen.*

2. The act of uniting or compiling; union; assemblage. *Bentley. Taylor.*

3. In grammar, the distribution of the several inflections or variations of a verb, in their different voices, modes, tenses, numbers and persons; a connected scheme of all the derivative forms of a verb.

CONJUNCT, *a.* [*L. conjunctus*, from *conjungo*. See *Conjoin*.]

Conjoined; united; concurrent. *Shak.*

CONJUNCTION, *n.* [*L. conjunctio*. See *Conjoin*.]

1. Union; connection; association by treaty or otherwise. *Bacon. South.*

2. In astronomy, the meeting of two or more stars or planets in the same degree of the zodiac; as the *conjunction* of the moon with the sun, or of Jupiter and Saturn.

3. In grammar, a connective or connecting word; an indeclinable word which serves to unite sentences or the clauses of a sentence and words, joining two or more simple sentences into one compound one,

and continuing it at the pleasure of the writer or speaker.

This book cost one dollar and ten cents. God called the light day and the darkness he called night.

Virtue and vice are not compatible. The hope of the righteous shall be gladness, but the expectation of the wicked shall perish. *Prov. x.*

1. The copulation of the sexes. *Smith's Tom.*

CONJUNCTIVE, *a.* Closely united. *Shak.*

2. Uniting; serving to unite.

3. In grammar, the conjunctive mode is that which follows a conjunction, or expresses some condition, or contingency. It is more generally called *subjunctive*.

CONJUNCTIVELY, *adv.* In conjunction, or union; together. *Broen.*

CONJUNCTIVENESS, *n.* The quality of conjuncting or uniting.

CONJUNCTLY, *adv.* In union; jointly; together.

CONJUNCTURE, *n.* [*Fr. conjoncture*. See *Conjoin*.]

1. A joining; a combination or union, as of causes, events or circumstances; as an unhappy *conjunction* of affairs.

2. An occasion; a critical time, proceeding from a union of circumstances. *Conjunction* is used in a like sense.

At that *conjunction*, peace was very desirable.

3. Union; connection; mode of union; as the *conjunctions* of letters in words. *Holder.*

4. Connection; union; consistency.

I was willing to grant to presbytery what with reason it can pretend to in a *conjunction* with episcopacy. *King Charles.*

CONJURATION, *n.* [*See Conjure*.] The act of using certain words or ceremonies to obtain the aid of a superior being; the act of summoning in a sacred name; the practice of arts to expel evil spirits, allay storms, or perform supernatural or extraordinary acts.

CONJURE, *v. t.* [*L. conjuro*, to swear together, to conspire; *con* and *juro*, to swear; *It. congiurare*; *Sp. conjurar*; *Fr. conjurer*.]

1. To call on or summon by a sacred name, or in a solemn manner; to implore with solemnity. It seems originally to have signified, to bind by an oath.

I conjure you! let him know, What'er was done against him, Cato did it. *Addison.*

2. To bind two or more by an oath; to unite in a common design. Hence intransitively, to conspire. [*Not usual*.] *Milton.*

CONJURE, *v. t.* To expel, to drive or to affect, in some manner, by magic arts, as by invoking the Supreme Being, or by the use of certain words, characters or ceremonies to engage supernatural influence; as, to *conjure* up evil spirits, or to *conjure* down a tempest; to *conjure* the stars.

Note. It is not easy to define this word, nor any word of like import; as the practice of conjurers are little known, or various and indefinite. The use of this word indicates that an oath or solemn invocation originally formed a part of the ceremonies.

CONJURE, *v. i.* To practice the arts of a conjurer; to use arts to engage the aid of spirits in performing some extraordinary act. *Shak.*