

IMBARN, *v. t.* To deposit in a barn. [*Not used.*] *Herbert.*
IMBASTARDIZE, *v. t.* To bastardize, which see. *Milton.*
IMBEAD, *v. t.* [*in and bead.*] To fasten with a bead.

The strong bright bayonet imbeaded fast.

J. Barlow.

IMBEADED, *pp.* Fastened with a bead.
IMBECILE, *a.* *imbecil.* [*L. imbecillus; Fr. imbecile.*] This seems to be a compound word, of which the primitive *bcc*, is not now to be found or recognized.]

Weak; feeble; destitute of strength, either of body or of mind; impotent. *Barrow.*

IMBECILITY, *n.* [*L. imbecillitas; Fr. imbecillité.*]

1. Want of strength; weakness; feebleness of body or of mind. We speak of the *imbecility* of the body or of the intellect, when either does not possess the usual strength and vigor that belongs to men, and which is necessary to a due performance of its functions. This may be natural, or induced by violence or disease.

2. Impotence of males; inability to procreate children.

IMBED, *v. t.* [*in and bed.*] To sink or lay in a bed; to place in a mass of earth, sand or other substance, so as to be partly inclosed.

IMBEDDED, *pp.* Laid or inclosed, as in a bed or mass of surrounding matter.

IMBEDDING, *pp.* Laying, as in a bed.

IMBELIC, *a.* [*L. in and bellus.*] Not warlike or martial. [*Little used.*]

Junius.

IMBENCHING, *n.* [*in and bench.*] A raised work like a bench. *Parkhurst.*

IMBIBE, *v. t.* [*L. imbibio; in and bibo.*] To drink; *Fr. imbibir.*

1. To drink in; to absorb; as, a dry or porous body *imbibes* a fluid; a sponge *imbibes* moisture.

2. To receive or admit into the mind and retain; as, to *imbibe* principles; to *imbibe* errors. *Imbibing* in the mind always implies retention, at least for a time.

3. To imbue, as used by Newton; but he has not been followed.

IMBIBED, *pp.* Drank in, as a fluid; absorbed; received into the mind and retained.

IMBIBER, *n.* He or that which *imbibes*.

IMBIBING, *pp.* Drinking in; absorbing; receiving and retaining.

IMBIBITION, *n.* The act of *imbibing*.

Bacon.

IMBITTER, *v. t.* [*in and bitter.*] To make bitter.

2. To make unhappy or grievous; to render distressing. The sins of youth often *imbitter* old age. Grief *imbitters* our enjoyments.

3. To exasperate; to make more severe, poignant or painful. The sorrows of true penitence are *imbittered* by a sense of our ingratitude to our Almighty Benefactor.

4. To exasperate; to render more violent or malignant; as, to *imbitter* enmity, anger, rage, passion, &c.

IMBITTERED, *pp.* Made unhappy or painful; exasperated.

IMBITTERING, *pp.* Rendering unhappy or distressing; exasperating.

IMBODIED, *pp.* [*See Imbody.*] Formed into a body.

IMBODY, *v. t.* [*in and body.*] To form into a body; to invest with matter; to make corporeal; as, to *imbody* the soul or spirit.

An opening cloud reveals

A heavenly form, *imbodyed* and array'd

With robes of light. *Dryden.*

2. To form into a body, collection or system; as, to *imbody* the laws of a state in a code.

3. To bring into a band, company, regiment, brigade, army, or other regular assemblage; to collect; as, to *imbody* the forces of a nation.

Then Clausus came, who led a numerous band

Of troops *imbodyed*. *Dryden.*

IMBODY, *v. i.* To unite in a body, mass or collection; to coalesce. *Milton. Locke.*

IMBODYING, *pp.* Forming into a body; investing with a corporeal body.

2. Collecting and uniting in a body.

IMBOLD, *v. t.* To effervesce. *Spenser.*

IMBOLDEN, *v. t.* *imboldn.* [*in and bold; It. imboldanzire.*]

To encourage; to give confidence to.

Nothing *imboldens* us so much as mercy.

Shak.

IMBOLDEN, *pp.* Encouraged; having received confidence.

IMBOLDENING, *pp.* Encouraging; giving confidence.

IMBORDER, *v. t.* [*in and border.*] To furnish or inclose with a border; to adorn with a border.

2. To terminate; to bound. *Milton.*

IMBORDERED, *pp.* Furnished, inclosed or adorned with a border; bounded.

IMBORDERING, *pp.* Furnishing, inclosing or adorning with a border; bounding.

IMBOSK, *v. t.* [*It. imboscare. See Bush.*] To conceal, as in bushes; to hide.

Milton.

IMBOSOM, *v. t.* *s. as z.* [*in and bosom.*] To hold in the bosom; to cover fondly with the folds of one's garment.

2. To hold in nearness or intimacy.

—The Father infinite,

By whom in bliss *imbosomed* sat the Son.

Milton.

3. To admit to the heart or affection; to caress.

But glad desire, his late *imbosom'd* guest—

Sidney

4. To inclose in the midst; to surround.

Villages *imbosomed* soft in trees— *Thomson.*

5. To inclose in the midst; to cover; as pearls *imbosomed* in the deep.

IMBOSOMED, *pp.* Held in the bosom or to the breast; caressed; surrounded in the midst; inclosed; covered.

IMBOSOMING, *pp.* Holding in the bosom; caressing; holding to the breast; inclosing or covering in the midst.

IMBOUND, *v. t.* [*in and bound.*] To inclose in limits; to shut in. [*Little used.*]

Shak.

IMBOW, *v. t.* [*in and bow.*] To arch; to vault; as an imbow'd roof.

Milton.

2. To make of a circular form; as *imbowed* windows.

Bacon.

IMBOWED, *pp.* Arched; vaulted; made of a circular form.

IMBOWER, *v. t.* [*in and bower.*] To cover with a bower; to shelter with trees.

Thomson.

IMBOWERED, *pp.* Covered with a bower; sheltered with trees.

IMBOWERING, *pp.* Covering with a bower or with trees.

IMBOWING, *pp.* Arching; vaulting; making of a circular form.

IMBOWMENT, *n.* An arch; a vault.

Bacon.

IMBOX, *v. t.* To inclose in a box.

IMBRANGL, *v. t.* To entangle.

Hudibras.

IMBREEDE, *v. t.* To generate within.

IMBRICATE, *a.* [*L. imbricatus, imbrico, from imbrex, a tile.*]

1. Bent and hollowed like a roof or gutter tile. *Johnson.*

2. In botany, lying over each other, like tiles on a roof; parallel, with a strait surface, and lying one over the other; as leaves in the bud. *Lee. Martyn.*

IMBRICATION, *n.* A concave indenture, like that of tiles; tiling. *Derham.*

IMBROWN, *v. t.* [*in and brown.*] To make brown; to darken; to obscure.

The unpiet'd shade

Imbrowen'd the noon-tide bowers. *Milton.*

2. To darken the color of; to make dirty.

The foot goes black that was with dirt *imbrown'd*.

Gay.

3. To tan; to darken the complexion.

IMBROWNED, *pp.* Made brown; darkened; tanned.

IMBROWNING, *pp.* Rendering brown; darkening; tanning.

IMBRUE, *v. t.* *imbru'*. [*Gr. εμβρυνω, to moisten; υ and βρω. Hence it is allied to embrocate, and Sp. embriagar, to intoxicate. See Ebriety, Brook and Rain.*]

1. To wet or moisten; to soak; to drench in a fluid, chiefly in blood.

Whose arrows in my blood their wings *imbrue*.

Sandy.

Lucius pities the offenders,
That would *imbrue* their hands in Cato's blood.

Addison.

2. To pour out liquor. *Obs. Spenser.*

IMBRUED, *pp.* Wet; moistened; drenched.

IMBRUING, *pp.* Wetting; moistening; drenching.

IMBRUTE, *v. t.* [*in and brute.*] To degrade to the state of a brute; to reduce to brutality.

—And mix with bestial slime

This essence to incarnate and *imbrute*.

Milton.

IMBRUTE, *v. i.* To sink to the state of a brute. *Milton.*

IMBRUTED, *pp.* Degraded to brutism.

IMBRUTING, *pp.* Reducing to brutishness.

IMBUE, *v. t.* *imbu'*. [*L. imbuo; in and the root of Eng. buck, to buck cloth, that is, to dip, drench or steep in water.*]

1. To tinge deeply; to dye; as, to *imbu* cloth. *Boyle.*

2. To tincture deeply; to cause to imbibe; as, to *imbu* the minds of youth with good principles.

IMBUED, *pp.* Tinged; dyed; tinctured.

IMBUING, *pp.* Tinging; dyeing; tincturing deeply.