

4. To break upon suddenly with sharp angry words.
5. To crack; as, to *snap* a whip. To *snap off*, to break suddenly.
2. To bite off suddenly. *Wiseman.*  
To *snap one up*, to *snap one up short*, to treat with sharp words.
- SNAP, *v. i.* To break short; to part asunder suddenly; as, a mast or spar *snaps*; a needle *snaps*.
- If steel is too hard, that is, too brittle, with the least bending it will *snap*. *Mozon.*
2. To make an effort to bite; to aim to seize with the teeth; as, a dog *snaps* at a passenger; a fish *snaps* at the bait.
3. To utter sharp, harsh, angry words.
- SNAP, *n.* A sudden breaking or rupture of any substance.
2. A sudden eager bite; a sudden seizing or effort to seize with the teeth.
3. A crack of a whip.
4. A greedy fellow. *L'Estrange.*
5. A catch; a theft. *Johnson.*
- SNAP-DRAGON, *n.* A plant, calf's snout, of the genus *Antirrhinum*, and another of the genus *Ruellia*, and one of the genus *Barleria*.
2. A play in which raisins are snatched from burning brandy and put into the mouth. *Tatler.*
3. The thing eaten at snap-dragon. *Swift.*
- SNAP'PED, *pp.* Broken abruptly; seized or bitten suddenly; cracked, as a whip.
- SNAP'PER, *n.* One that snaps. *Shak.*
- SNAP'PISH, *a.* Eager to bite; apt to snap; as a *snappish* cur.
2. Peevish; sharp in reply; apt to speak angrily or tartly.
- SNAP'PISHLY, *adv.* Peevishly; angrily; tartly.
- SNAP'PISHNESS, *n.* The quality of being snappish; peevishness; tartness.
- SNAP'SACK, *n.* A knapsack. [*Vulgar.*]
- SNAR, *v. i.* To snarl. [*Not in use.*]
- Spenser.*
- SNARE, *n.* [Dan. *snare*; Sw. *snara*; Dan. *snore*, a string or cord, D. *snor*; Sw. *snöre*, a line; *snöra*, to lace.]
1. An instrument for catching animals, particularly fowls, by the leg. It consists of a cord or string with slip-knots, in which the leg is entangled. A *snare* is not a net.
2. Any thing by which one is entangled and brought into trouble. 1 Cor. vii.  
A fool's lips are the *snare* of his soul. Prov. xviii.
- SNARE, *v. t.* [Dan. *snarer*.] To catch with a snare; to ensnare; to entangle; to bring into unexpected evil, perplexity or danger.
- The wicked is *snared* in the work of his own hands. Ps. ix.
- SNA'RED, *pp.* Entangled; unexpectedly involved in difficulty.
- SNA'RER, *n.* One who lays snares or entangles.
- SNA'RING, *ppr.* Entangling; ensnaring.
- SNARL, *v. i.* [G. *schnarren*, to snarl, to speak in the throat; D. *snar*, snappish. This word seems to be allied to *gnarl*, and to proceed from some root signifying to twist, bind or fasten, or to involve, entangle, and thus to be allied to *snare*.]
1. To growl, as an angry or surly dog; to gnarl; to utter grumbling sounds; but it expresses more violence than *grumble*.

- That I should *snarl* and bite and play the dog. *Shak.*
2. To speak roughly; to talk in rude murmuring terms.
- It is malicious and unmanly to *snarl* at the little lapses of a pen, from which Virgil himself stands not exempted. *Dryden.*
- SNARL, *v. t.* To entangle; to complicate; to involve in knots; as, to *snarl* the hair; to *snarl* a skain of thread. [*This word is in universal popular use in New England.*]
2. To embarrass.
- SNARL, *n.* Entanglement; a knot or complication of hair, thread, &c., which it is difficult to disentangle.
- SNARLER, *n.* One who snarls; a surly growling animal; a grumbling quarrelsome fellow. *Swift.*
- SNARLING, *ppr.* Growling; grumbling angrily.
2. Entangling.
- SNARY, *a.* [from *snare*.] Entangling; insidious.
- Spiders in the vault their *snary* webs have spread. *Dryden.*
- SNAST, *n.* [G. *schnautze*, a snout.] The snuff of a candle. [*Not in use.*] *Bacon.*
- SNATCH, *v. t.* pret. and *pp.* *snatched* or *snatcht*. [D. *snakken*, to gasp, to catch for breath.]
1. To seize hastily or abruptly.
- When half our knowledge we must *snatch*, not take. *Pope.*
2. To seize without permission or ceremony; as, to *snatch* a kiss.
3. To seize and transport away; as, *snatch* me to heaven. *Thomson.*
- SNATCH, *v. i.* To catch at; to attempt to seize suddenly.
- Nay, the ladies too will be *snatching*. *Shak.*
- He shall *snatch* on the right hand, and be hungry. Is. ix.
- SNATCH, *n.* A hasty catch or seizing.
2. A catching at or attempt to seize suddenly.
3. A short fit of vigorous action; as a *snatch* at weeding after a shower. *Tusser.*
4. A broken or interrupted action; a short fit or turn.
- They move by fits and *snatches*. *Wilkins.*
- We have often little *snatches* of sunshine. *Spectator.*
5. A shuffling answer. [*Little used.*] *Shak.*
- SNATCH-BLOCK, *n.* A particular kind of block used in ships, having an opening in one side to receive the bight of a rope. *Mar. Dict.*
- SNATCH'ED, *pp.* Seized suddenly and violently.
- SNATCH'ER, *n.* One that snatches or takes abruptly. *Shak.*
- SNATCH'ING, *ppr.* Seizing hastily or abruptly; catching at.
- SNATCH'INGLY, *adv.* By snatching; hastily; abruptly.
- SNATH, *n.* [Sax. *snæd*; Eng. *snathe*, *snæth*.]
- The handle of a sythe. *New England.*
- SNATH, *v. t.* [Sax. *snidan*, *snithan*.] To lop; to prune. [*Not in use.*]
- SNAT'TOCK, *n.* [supra.] A chip; a slice. [*Not in use or locl.*] *Gayton.*
- SNEAK, *v. i.* [Sax. *snican*; Dan. *sniger*, to creep, to move softly. See *Snake*.]
1. To creep or steal away privately; to withdraw meanly, as a person afraid or

- ashamed to be seen; as, to *sneak* away from company; to *sneak* into a corner or behind a screen.
- You skulk'd behind the fence, and *sneak'd* away. *Dryden.*
2. To behave with meanness and servility; to crouch; to truckle.
- Will *sneaks* a scriv'ner, an exceeding knave. *Pope.*
- SNEAK, *v. t.* To hide. [*Not in use.*] *Wake.*
- SNEAK, *n.* A mean fellow.
- SNEAKER, *n.* A small vessel of drink. [*Local.*] *Spectator.*
- SNEAKING, *ppr.* Creeping away slyly; stealing away.
2. *a.* Mean; servile; crouching. *Rowe.*
3. Meanly parsimonious; covetous; niggardly.
- SNEAKINGLY, *adv.* In a sneaking manner; meanly. *Herbert.*
- SNEAKINGNESS, *n.* Meanness; niggardliness. *Boyle.*
- SNEAKUP, *n.* A sneaking, cowardly, insidious fellow. [*Not used.*] *Shak.*
- SNEAP, *v. t.* [Dan. *snibbe*, reproach, reprimand; *snip*, the end or point of a thing; D. *snip*, a snipe, from its bill; *snippen*, to *snip* or *nip*; G. *schneppe*, a peak; from the root of *neb*, *nib*, *nip*, with the sense of shooting out, thrusting like a sharp point.]
1. To check; to reprove abruptly; to reprimand. *Obs.* *Chaucer.*
2. To nip. *Obs.* *Shak.*
- SNEB, *v. t.* To check; to reprimand. [*The same as sneap.*] *Spenser.*
- SNEEK, *n.* The latch of a door. [*Not in use or local.*]
- SNEED, } *n.* A snath. [See *Snath*.]  
SNEAD, }
- SNEER, *v. i.* [from the root of L. *naris*, nose; to turn up the nose.]
1. To show contempt by turning up the nose, or by a particular cast of countenance: "naso suspendere adunco."
2. To insinuate contempt by covert expression.
- I could be content to be a little *sneered* at. *Pope.*
3. To utter with grimace. *Congreve.*
4. To show mirth awkwardly. *Tatler.*
- SNEER, *n.* A look of contempt, or a turning up of the nose to manifest contempt; a look of disdain, derision or ridicule. *Pope.*
2. An expression of ludicrous scorn. *Watts.*
- SNEERER, *n.* One that sneers.
- SNEERFUL, *a.* Given to sneering. [*Not in use.*] *Shenstone.*
- SNEERING, *ppr.* Manifesting contempt or scorn by turning up the nose, or by some grimace or significant look.
- SNEERINGLY, *adv.* With a look of contempt or scorn.
- SNEEZE, *v. i.* [Sax. *niesan*; D. *niesen*; G. *niesen*; Sw. *nysa*; from the root of nose, G. *nase*, Dan. *nase*, D. *neus*, L. *nasus*; the primary sense of which is to project.]
- To emit air through the nose audibly and violently, by a kind of involuntary convulsive force, occasioned by irritation of the inner membrane of the nose. Thus snuff or any thing that tickles the nose, makes one *sneeze*. *Swift.*