

GLEAMING, *n.* A shoot or shooting of light.

GLEAMY, *a.* Darting beams of light; casting light in rays.

In brazen arms, that east a gleamy ray,
Swift through the town the warrior bends his way.

GLEAN, *v. t.* [Fr. *glaner*, to glean; *glane*, a handful or cluster. In *W. glan* is *clean*.]

1. To gather the stalks and ears of grain which reapers leave behind them.

Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn.

2. To collect things thinly scattered; to gather what is left in small parcels or numbers, or what is found in detached parcels; as, to glean a few passages from an author.

They gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men.

GLEAN, *v. i.* To gather stalks or ears of grain left by reapers.

And she went, and came and gleaned in the field after the reapers. Ruth ii.

GLEAN, *n.* A collection made by gleanings, or by gathering here and there a little.

The gleans of yellow thyme distend his thighs.

GLEANED, *pp.* Gathered after reapers; collected from small detached parcels; as grain gleaned from the field.

2. Cleared of what is left; as, the field is gleaned.

3. Having suffered a gleanings. The public prints have been gleaned.

GLEANER, *n.* One who gathers after reapers.

2. One who collects detached parts or numbers, or who gathers slowly with labor.

GLEANING, *ppr.* Gathering what reapers leave; collecting in small detached parcels.

GLEANING, *n.* The act of gathering after reapers.

2. That which is collected by gleanings.

GLEBE, *n.* [L. *gleba*, a clod or lump of earth; Fr. *glebe*, land, ground; probably from collecting, as in *globe*, *club*.]

1. Turf; soil; ground.

Till the glad summons of a genial lay
Unbinds the glebe—

2. The land belonging to a parish church or ecclesiastical benefice.

3. A crystal.

4. Among miners, a piece of earth in which is contained some mineral ore.

GLEBOUS, *a.* Gleby; turfy.

GLEBY, *a.* Turfy; cloddy.

GLEDE, *n.* [Sax. *glida*, from *glidan*, to glide; Sw. *glada*.]

A fowl of the rapacious kind, the kite, a species of Falco. The word is used in Deut. xiv. 13, but the same Hebrew word, Lev. xi. 14, is rendered a vulture.

GLEE, *n.* [Sax. *glic*, from *glig*, *gigg*, sport, music.]

1. Joy; merriment; mirth; gaiety; particularly, the mirth enjoyed at a feast.

2. A sort of catch or song sung in parts.

GLEED, *n.* [Sax. *gled*.] A glowing cold.

GLEEFUL, *a.* Merry; gay; joyous.

GLEEK, *n.* [See *Glee*.] Music, or a musician. Obs.

2. A scoff; a game at cards.

GLEEK, *v. i.* To make sport of; to gibe; to sneer; to spend time idly.

GLEEMAN, *n.* A musician.

GLEEN, *v. i.* [W. *glan*, clean, pure, holy, bright; *gleinn*, to purify, to brighten; Ir. *glan*.] To shine; to gladden. [Not used.]

GLEE/SOME, *a.* Merry; joyous.

GLEET, *n.* (from Sax. *glidan*, to glide, or *glyttrian*, to melt; Ice. *glut*.)

The flux of a thin humor from the urethra; a thin ichor running from a sore.

GLEET, *v. i.* To flow in a thin limpid humor; to ooze.

2. To flow slowly, as water.

GLEET Y, *a.* Ichorous; thin; limpid.

GLEEN, *n.* [W. *glyn*, a valley in which a river flows, as it from *glyn*, liquor, water; Sax. *glen*; Ir. *glean*.]

A valley; a dale; a depression or space between hills.

GLENE, *n.* [Gr. *γλυν*.] In anatomy, the cavity or socket of the eye, and the pupil; any slight depression or cavity receiving a bone in articulation.

GLEW, [See *Glee*.]

GLIADINE, *n.* [Gr. *γλιν*, glue.] One of the constituents of gluten, a slightly transparent, brittle substance, of a straw-yellow color, having a slight smell, similar to that of honeycomb.

GLIB, *a.* [D. *glibber*, *glippen*, to slide; *glibberig*, glib, slippery; W. *llypwr*; L. *glaber*, smooth; *laber*, to slide. This word contains the elements of *slip*. Qu. L. *glubo*, Gr. *γλῦψω*. Class Lib. No. 27. 37.]

1. Smooth; slippery; admitting a body to slide easily on the surface; as, ice is glib.

2. Smooth; voluble; easily moving; as a glib tongue.

GLIB, *n.* A thick curled bush of hair hanging down over the eyes. [Not in use.]

GLIB, *v. t.* To castrate. [Qu. to make smooth, *glubo*, *γλῦψω*.]

2. To make smooth.

GLIBLY, *adv.* Smoothly; volubly; as, to slide glibly; to speak glibly.

GLIBNESS, *n.* Smoothness; slipperiness; as a polished ice-like glibness.

2. Volubility of the tongue.

Government of the Tongue.

GLIDE, *v. i.* [Sax. *glidan*; G. *gleiten*; D. *glijden*; Dan. *glider*. Qu. Fr. *glisser*, in a different dialect. It has the elements of *slide*, as *glib* has of *slip*.]

1. To flow gently; to move without noise or violence; as a river.

By east, among the dusty vallies glide
The silver streams of Jordan's crystal flood.

2. To move silently and smoothly; to pass along without apparent effort; as a hawk or an eagle gliding through the air.

3. To move or pass rapidly and with apparent ease; as, a ship glides through the water.

4. In a general sense, to move or slip along with ease as on a smooth surface, or to pass along rapidly without apparent effort, and without obstruction.

GLIDE, *n.* The act or manner of moving smoothly, swiftly and without labor or obstruction.

GLIDER, *n.* He or that which glides.

GLIDING, *ppr.* Passing along gently and smoothly; moving rapidly, or with ease.

GLIMMER, *v. i.* [G. *glimmen*, *glimmern*, to glimmer; to glimmer; D. *glimmen*; Sw. *glimma*; Dan. *glimer*; Ir. *loom*, flame.]

1. To shoot feeble or scattered rays of light; as the glimmering dawn; a glimmering lamp.

When rose morning glimmer'd o'er the dales.

The west yet glimmers with some streaks of day.

2. To shine faintly; to give a feeble light.

Mild evening glimmered on the lawn.

GLIMMER, *n.* A faint light; feeble scattered rays of light.

2. In mineralogy, mica, glist, muscovy-glass; a mineral resulting from crystallization, but rarely found in regular crystals. Usually it appears in thin, flexible, elastic laminae, which exhibit a high polish and strong luster. It is an essential ingredient in granite, gneiss, and mica slate.

GLIMMERING, *ppr.* Shining faintly; shooting feeble scattered rays of light.

GLIMMERING, *n.* A faint beaming of light.

2. A faint view.

GLIMPSE, *n.* [D. *glimp*, from *glimmen*.]

1. A weak faint light.

Such vast room in Nature,
Only to shine, yet scarce to contribute
Each orb a glimpse of light.

2. A flash of light; as the lightning's glimpse.

3. Transient luster.

One glimpse of glory to my issue give.

4. A short transitory view. He saw at a glimpse the design of the enemy.

5. Short fleeting enjoyment; as a glimpse of delight.

6. Exhibition of a faint resemblance.

GLIMPSE, *v. i.* To appear by glimpses.

GLIS/SA, *n.* A fish of the tunny kind, without scales.

GLIST, *n.* (from *glisten*.) Glimmer; mica.

GLISTEN, *v. i.* [Sax. *glisnian*; G. *glissen*. This word and *glitter* are probably dialectical forms of the same word.

In Irish *lasadh*, *lasain*, is to burn, to light; Dan. *lyser*, Sw. *lysa*, to shine; Russ. *oblis-taya*. In W. *llothr* is to make smooth and glossy, to polish, to glitter. Qu. Heb. *וָלַח* to shine, L. *glisco*, Eng. gloss.]

To shine; to sparkle with light; as the glistering stars.

The ladies' eyes glistered with pleasure.

GLISTENING, *ppr.* Shining; sparkling; emitting rays of light.

GLISTER, *v. i.* [See *Glisten*.] To shine; to be bright; to sparkle; to be brilliant.

All that glisters is not gold.

GLISTER, [See *Clyster*.]