

One of the four quarters or largest divisions of the globe; a continent separated from Europe by the Mediterranean sea.

**AFRIC,** { a. Pertaining to Africa.

**AFRICAN,** {

**AFRICAN,** n. A native of Africa.

This name is given also to the African martyr.

**AFRONT,** adv. In front.

**AFT,** a. or adv. [Sax. *aft*, *eft*, after, behind.]

In *seaman's language*, a word used to denote the stern or what pertains to the stern of a ship; as, the *aft* part of the ship; haul *aft* the main sheet, that is, further towards the stern. *Fore and aft* is the whole length of a ship. *Right aft* is in a direct line with the stern.

**AFTER,** a. [The comparative degree of *aft*. But in some Teutonic dialects it is written with *g*; D. *agter*; Dan. *agters*.

The Eng. corresponds with the Sax. *after*, Sw. *efter*, Goth. *afaro*, Dan. *efter*.]

1. In *marine language*, more *aft*, or towards the stern of the ship; as, the *after* sails;

*after* hatchway.

2. In *common language*, later in time; as, an *after* period of life.

In this sense, the word is often combined with the following noun; as in *afternoon*.

**AFTER,** prep. Behind in place; as, men placed in a line one *after* another.

2. Later in time; as, *after* supper. This word often precedes a sentence, as a governing preposition.

*After* I have mathen, I will go before you into Galilee. Mat. xvi.

3. In pursuit of, in which, is moving *behind*, following; in search of.

*After* whom is the king of Israel come out?

Ye shall not go *after* other Gods. Deut. vi.

4. In imitation of; as, to make a thing *after* a model.

5. According to; as, consider a thing *after* its intrinsic value.

6. According to the direction and influence of.

To walk *after* the flesh; to live *after* the flesh.

To judge *after* the sight of the eye. Is. xi.

To inquire *after* is to seek by asking; to ask concerning.

To follow *after*, in scripture, is to pursue, or imitate; to serve, or worship.

**AFTER,** adv. Posterior; later in time; as, it was about the space of three hours *after*.

In this sense, the word, however, is really a preposition, the object being understood; about three hours *after* the time or fact before specified.

*After* is prefixed to many words, forming compounds, but retaining its genuine signification. Some of the following words are of this kind, but in some of them *after* seems rather to be a separate word.

**AFTER-ACCOUNT,** n. A subsequent reckoning.

**AFTER-ACT,** n. A subsequent act.

**AFTER-AGES,** n. Later ages; succeeding times. *After-age*, in the singular, is not improper.

**AFTER ALL** is a phrase, signifying, when all has been considered, said or done; at last; in the final result.

**AFTER-BAND,** n. A future band.

**AFTER-BIRTH,** n. The appendages of the fetus, called also *secondaries*.

**AFTER-CLAP,** n. An unexpected, subsequent event; something happening after an affair is supposed to be at an end.

**AFTER-CÔMER,** n. A successor.

**AFTER-COMFORT,** n. Future comfort.

**AFTER-CONDUCT,** n. Subsequent behavior.

**AFTER-CONVICTION,** n. Future conviction.

**AFTER-COST,** n. Later cost; expense after the execution of the main design.

**AFTER-COURSE,** n. Future course.

**AFTER-CROP,** n. The second crop in the same year.

**AFTER-DAYS,** n. Future days.

**AFTER-EATAGE,** n. Part of the increase of the same year.

**AFTER-ENDEAVOR,** n. An endeavor after the first or former effort.

**AFTER-GAME,** n. A subsequent scheme, or expedient.

**AFTER-GUARD,** n. The seaman stationed on the poop or after part of the ship, to attend the after sails.

**AFTER-HOPE,** n. Future hope.

**AFTER-HOURS,** n. Hours that follow; time following.

**AFTER-IGNORANCE,** n. Subsequent ignorance.

**AFTER-KING,** n. A succeeding king.

**AFTER-LIFE,** n. Future life or the life after this.

2. A later period of life; subsequent life.

**AFTER-LIVER,** n. One who lives in succeeding times.

**AFTER-LOVE,** n. The second or later love.

**AFTER-MALICE,** n. Succeeding malice.

**AFTER-MATH,** n. [after and math. See *Now*.]

A second crop of grass, in the same season; rowen.

**AFTER-MOST,** a. *Superl.* In *marine language*, nearest the stern, opposed to *foremost*; also hindmost.

**AFTER-NOON,** n. The part of the day which follows noon, between noon and evening.

**AFTER-PAINS,** n. The pains which succeed child birth.

**AFTER-PART,** n. The latter part. In *marine language*, the part of a ship towards the stern.

**AFTER-PIECE,** n. A piece performed after a play; a farce or other entertainment.

**AFTER-PROOF,** n. Subsequent proof or evidence; qualities known by subsequent experience.

**AFTER-REPENTANCE,** n. Subsequent repentance.

**AFTER-REPORT,** n. Subsequent report, or information.

**AFTER-SAILS,** n. The sails on the mizen-mast and stays, between the main and mizen-masts.

**AFTER-STATE,** n. The future state.

**AFTER-STING,** n. Subsequent sting.

**AFTER-STORM,** n. A succeeding or future storm.

**AFTER-SUPPER,** n. The time between supper and going to bed.

**AFTER-SWARM,** n. A swarm of bees which leaves the hive after the first.

**AFTER-TASTE,** n. A taste which succeeds eating and drinking.

**AFTER-THOUGHT,** n. [See *Thought*.] Reflections after an act; later thought, or expedient occurring too late.

**AFTER-TIMES,** n. Succeeding times. It may be used in the singular.

**AFTER-TOSSING,** n. The swell or agitation of the sea after a storm.

**AFTERWARD,** or **AFTERWARDS,** adv. [See *Ward*.] In later or subsequent time.

**AFTER-WISE,** a. Wise afterwards or too late.

**AFTER-WIT,** n. Subsequent wit; wisdom that comes too late.

**AFTER-WRATH,** n. Later wrath; anger after the provocation has ceased.

**AFTER-WRITER,** n. A succeeding writer.

**AGA,** n. [Per. *آقا* and *اگا*] ak and aka, lord, dominus, herus; also sir, a title of respect; Tart. aka. Qu. the *och* in *Beloch*, and *ak* in *Balak*.]

In the Turkish dominions, a commander or chief officer. The title is given to various chief officers, whether civil or military. It is also given to great land holders, and to the eunuchs of the Sultan's seraglio.

**AGAIN,** adv. *agen'.* [Sax. *gean*, *agen*, *agean*, *ongan*; D. with a different prefix, *tegen*; G. *dagegen*, *gegen*; Sw. *igen*; Dan. *igen*; qu. L. *con*, whence *contra*; Ir. *coine*, opposite, a meeting. Hence Sax. *togegen*, *togegenes*, against; but placed after its object; as, "hi comen heom *togegenes*," they come them against. D. *tegens*, against; *jegens*, towards; G. *entgegen*, *dagegen*, against; *begegen*, to meet or encounter. The primary sense is to turn, or to meet in front; or the name of the face, front or forepart. So in Dan. and Sw. *mod*, *inod*, *emod*, against, is our word *met*.]

1. A second time; once more.

I will not *again* cure the ground. Gen. viii.

2. It notes something further, or additional to one or more particulars.

For to which of the angels said he at any time, thou art my son, this day have I begotten thee? and *again*, I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son? and *again*, let all the angels of God worship him. Heb. i.

All the uses of this word carry in them the ideas of return or repetition; as in these phrases; give it back *again*; give him as much *again*, that is, the same quantity once more or repeated.

There is not, in the world *again*, such a commerce as in London.

Who art thou that answerest *again*? Bring us word *again*.

*Again and again*, often; with frequent repetition.