

SOAL, of a shoe. [See *Sole*.]

SOAP, *n.* [Sax. *sape*; D. *zeep*; G. *seife*; Sw. *såpa*; Dan. *såbe*; Fr. *savon*; It. *sapone*; Sp. *xabon*; L. *sapo*; Gr. *σαπων*; Arn. *savann*; W. *sebon*; Hindoo, *saboon*, *صابون*;

*savin*; Gipsej, *sapuna*; Pers. *صابون*;

*sabun*; Ar. *صابون* *sabunon*. Class Sb. No. 29.]

A compound of oil and alkali, or oil and earth, and metallic oxyds; usually, a compound of oil and vegetable alkali or lye; used in washing and cleansing, in medicine, &c.

SOAP, *v. t.* [Sax. *sapan*; D. *zeepen*; G. *seifen*.] To rub or wash over with soap.

SOAPBERRY TREE, *n.* A tree of the genus *Sapindus*.

SOAP-BOILER, *n.* [*soap* and *boiler*.] One whose occupation is to make soap.

SOAPSTONE, *n.* Steatite; a mineral or species of magnesian earth, usually white or yellow; the *lapis ollaris*.

SOAP-SUDS, *n.* Suds; water well impregnated with soap.

SOAPWORT, *n.* A plant of the genus *Saponaria*.

SOAPY, *a.* Resembling soap; having the qualities of soap; soft and smooth.

2. Smear'd with soap.

SOAR, *v. i.* [Fr. *essorer*, to soar; *essor*, flight; It. *sorare*; Eth. *ሠረሰ* *sasar*, to fly, to be lofty. Lud. Col. 109. Class Sr. No. 20.]

1. To fly aloft; to mount upon the wing; as an eagle. Hence,

2. To rise high; to mount; to tower in thought or imagination; to be sublime; as the poet or orator.

3. To rise high in ambition or heroism.

Valor *soars* above

What the world calls misfortune. *Addison*.

4. In general, to rise aloft; to be lofty.

SOAR, *n.* A towering flight. *Milton*.

SOARING, *ppr.* Mounting on the wing; rising aloft; towering in thought or mind.

SOARING, *n.* The act of mounting on the wing, or of towering in thought or mind; intellectual flight.

SOB, *v. i.* [Sax. *seobgend*, complaining. Qu.]

To sigh with a sudden heaving of the breast, or a kind of convulsive motion; to sigh with deep sorrow or with tears.

She sigh'd, she *sobb'd*, and furious with despair,

She rent her garments, and she tore her hair.

*Dryden*.

SOB, *n.* A convulsive sigh or catching of the breath in sorrow; a convulsive act of respiration obstructed by sorrow.

*Johnson*.

Break, heart, or choke with *sobs* my hated breath.

*Dryden*.

SOB, *v. t.* To soak. [Not in use.]

*Mortimer*.

SOBBING, *ppr.* Sighing with a heaving of the breast.

SOBER, *a.* [Fr. *sobre*; It. *sobrio*; L. *sobrius*; D. *sober*, poor, mean, spare, sober; Sax. *sifer*, sober, pure, chaste. See *Soft*.]

1. Temperate in the use of spirituous liquors; habitually temperate; as a *sober* man.

Live a *sober*, righteous and godly life.

*Com. Prayer*.

2. Not intoxicated or overpowered by spirituous liquors; not drunken. The sot may at times be *sober*.

3. Not mad or insane; not wild, visionary or heated with passion; having the regular exercise of cool dispassionate reason.

There was not a *sober* person to be had; all was tempestuous and blustering. *Dryden*.

No *sober* man would put himself in danger, for the applause of escaping without breaking his neck. *Dryden*.

4. Regular; calm; not under the influence of passion; as *sober* judgment; a man in his *sober* senses.

5. Serious; solemn; grave; as the *sober* liveliness of autumn.

What parts gay France from *sober* Spain?

*Prior*.

See her *sober* over a sampler, or gay over a jointed baby.

*Pope*.

SOBER, *v. t.* To make sober; to cure of intoxication.

There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain, And drinking largely *sobers* us again. *Pope*.

SOBERED, *pp.* Made sober.

SOBERLY, *adv.* Without intemperance.

2. Without enthusiasm.

3. Without intemperate passion; coolly; calmly; moderately. *Bacon. Locke*.

4. Gravely; seriously.

SOBERMINDED, *a.* Having a disposition or temper habitually sober, calm and temperate.

SOBERMINDEDNESS, *n.* Calmness; freedom from inordinate passions; habitual sobriety. *Porteus*.

SOBERNESS, *n.* Freedom from intoxication; temperance.

2. Gravity; seriousness.

3. Freedom from heat and passion; calmness; coolness.

The *soberness* of Virgil might have shown him the difference. *Dryden*.

SOBRIETY, *n.* [Fr. *sobriété*; L. *sobrietas*, from *sobrius*.]

1. Habitual soberness or temperance in the use of spirituous liquors; as when we say, a man of *sobriety*. *Hooker. Taylor*.

2. Freedom from intoxication.

Public *sobriety* is a relative duty.

*Blackstone*.

3. Habitual freedom from enthusiasm, inordinate passion or overheated imagination; calmness; coolness; as the *sobriety* of riper years; the *sobriety* of age. *Dryden*.

4. Seriousness; gravity without sadness or melancholy.

Mirth makes them not mad,

Nor *sobriety* sad.

*Denham*.

SOC, *n.* [Sax. *soc*, from *socan*, *secan*, to seek, to follow, L. *sequor*.]

1. Properly, the sequela, secta or suit, or the body of suitors; hence, the power or privilege of holding a court in a district, as in a manor; jurisdiction of causes, and the limits of that jurisdiction.

*English Law. Wilkins. Lye*.

2. Liberty or privilege of tenants excused from customary burdens. *Cowel*.

3. An exclusive privilege claimed by millers of grinding all the corn used within the manor or township in which the mill stands. *Grose*.

SOCAGE, *n.* [from *soc*, *supra*, a privilege.] In *English law*, a tenure of lands and ten-

ements by a certain or determinate service; a tenure distinct from chivalry or knight's service, in which the render was uncertain. The service must be certain, in order to be denominated *socage*; as to hold by fealty and twenty shillings rent.

*Blackstone*.

Socage is of two kinds; *free socage*, where the services are not only certain, but honorable, and *villain socage*, where the services, though certain, are of a baser nature. *Ib.*

SOCAGER, *n.* A tenant by socage; a socman.

SOCIABILITY, *n.* [Fr. *sociabilité*.] Sociableness; disposition to associate and converse with others; or the practice of familiar converse.

SOCIABLE, *a.* [Fr. *sociable*; L. *sociabilis*, from *socius*, a companion, probably from *sequor*, to follow. See *Seek*.]

1. That may be conjoined; fit to be united in one body or company; as *sociable* parts united in one body. *Hooker*.

2. Ready or disposed to unite in a general interest.

To make man mild, and *sociable* to man.

*Addison*.

3. Ready and inclined to join in company or society; or frequently meeting for conversation; as *sociable* neighbors.

4. Inclined to converse when in company; disposed to freedom in conversation; opposed to *reserved* and *taciturn*.

5. Free in conversation; conversing much or familiarly. The guests were very *sociable*.

SOCIABLENESS, *n.* Disposition to associate; inclination to company and converse; or actual frequent union in society or free converse. This word may signify either the disposition to associate, or the disposition to enter into familiar conversation, or the actual practice of associating and conversing.

SOCIABLY, *adv.* In a sociable manner; with free intercourse; conversibly; familiarly; as a companion.

SOCIAL, *a.* [L. *socialis*, from *socius*, companion.]

1. Pertaining to society; relating to men living in society, or to the public as an aggregate body; as *social* interests or concerns; *social* pleasures; *social* benefits; *social* happiness; *social* duties.

True self-love and *social* are the same. *Pope*.

2. Ready or disposed to mix in friendly converse; companionable.

Withers, adieu! yet not with thee remove

Thy martial spirit or thy *social* love. *Pope*.

3. Consisting in union or mutual converse. *Milton*.

4. Disposed to unite in society. Man is a *social* being.

SOCIALITY, *n.* Socialness; the quality of being social. *Sterne*.

SOCIALLY, *adv.* In a social manner or way.

SOCIALNESS, *n.* The quality of being social.

SOCIETY, *n.* [Fr. *société*; Sp. *sociedad*; It. *società*; L. *societas*, from *socius*, a companion. See *Sociable*.]

1. The union of a number of rational beings; or a number of persons united, either for a temporary or permanent purpose. Thus