Examples of Good and Bad Mnemonics

Good Mnemonic

Pithy sounds like "pity." When you pity someone, you give them a short, meaningful message. Pithy means brief and meaningful.

- Good keyword link
- Clear explanation
- Easy to understand
- Memorable
- Correct definition

Incorrect Definition

Pithy sounds like "witty." Thus, pithy means clever or smart

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Pithy sounds like "pit." Pits can be short.

Pithy means brief.

Unclear

Pithy sounds like "pity." A person who is pitied is often pitied and pitied people are given short messages

Keyword Doesn't "Sound Like" Term

Pithy sounds like "short"...

Circular Keyword

Pithy sounds like "pith"...

Poor Keyword Explanation

Pithy sounds like "pity." People are often pitied when they mess up. Pithy means brief and meaningful.