

quail



(noun) a small, brown bird that is shot for sport or food, or the meat of this bird

Usage: Quails' eggs are considered to be a delicacy.

(verb) to feel or show fear; to want to be able to move away from something because you fear it.

Usage: Charlie quailed at the sound of his mother's angry voice.

Rail (verb)



(verb) to complain about bitterly, angrily

Usage: He railed against/at the injustices of the system.

rent



(verb) (past tense of rend) a large hole torn in a piece of material

Usage: There was a large rent in his parachute.

sap (noun)



(noun) a stupid person who can easily be tricked or persuaded to do something

Usage: He'll lie around and let some other poor sap do all the work.

(noun) the liquid that carries food to all parts of a plant

Usage: Maple syrup is obtained from the sap of the sugar maple tree.

sap (verb)



(verb) to make someone weaker or take away strength or an important quality from someone, especially over a long period of time

Usage: Constant criticism saps you of your confidence.

scurvy



(adj.) worthless or contemptible

Usage: that was a scurvy trick

steep



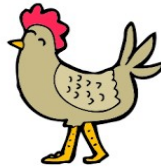
(verb) to cause to stay in a liquid, especially in order to become soft or clean, or to improve flavour

Usage: Leave the cloth to steep in the dye overnight.

strut

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Pronunciation: /strʌt/, rhymes with but



to walk proudly with your head up and chest out to show that you think you are important



(verb) to walk in a proud way trying to look important

Usage: The boys strutted around trying to get the attention of a group of girls who were nearby.

(noun) a support for a structure such as an aircraft wing, roof, or bridge

waffle

(verb) to talk or write a lot without giving any useful information or any clear answers; to be unable to make a decision

Usage:

- If you don't know the answer, it's no good just waffling (on) for pages and pages.
- I waffled a lot before finally deciding to take the job.

table

(verb) to delay discussion of a subject

Usage: The suggestion was tabled for discussion at a later date

tender



(verb) to give or offer something

Usage:

- Please tender the exact fare.
 - The health minister has tendered her resignation (= has offered to leave her job).
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stand



(noun) a group of trees, especially ones of a similar size, age, or type

Usage: A pelican drifts toward a stand of trees.
