

pig

1 of 2 noun

'pig

often attributive

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1 a : a young domesticated [swine](#) usually weighing less than 120 pounds (50 kilograms)

→ compare [HOG sense 1a](#)

b : a wild or domesticated swine regardless of age or weight

2 a : [PORK](#)

b : [PIGSKIN](#)

3 : a dirty, gluttonous, or repulsive person

4 : a crude casting of metal (such as iron)

5 [slang](#) : an immoral woman

6 [slang, disparaging](#) : [POLICE OFFICER](#)

piglike ('pig-, līk) adjective

pig

2 of 2 verb

pigged; pigging

intransitive verb



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transitive verb

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Don't be a *pig*. Say "excuse me" after you burp.

all-you-can-eat buffets seem to encourage some people to become shameless *pigs*

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The races happen daily and feature *pigs* and wiener dogs dressed like hot dogs.

— Sheila Vilvens, *Cincinnati.com*, 20 July 2017

The league has rescued monkeys, *pigs*, ponies, even a drug dealer's cougar, and thousands of dogs and cats every year.

— John Kass, *chicagotribune.com*, 19 July 2017

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Etymology

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Middle English *pigge*

First Known Use

Noun

13th century, in the meaning defined at [sense 1a](#)

Verb

15th century, in the meaning defined at [intransitive sense 1](#)

Time Traveler

The first known use of *pig* was in the 13th century

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Kids Definition

pig noun

'pig

1 a : a young domesticated swine usually weighing less than 120 pounds (54 kilograms)

→ compare [HOG sense 1a](#)

b : a wild or domesticated swine of any age or weight

2 a : [PORK sense 1](#)

b : [PIGSKIN sense 1](#)

3 : a dirty, gluttonous, or repulsive person

4 : a metal cast (as of iron) poured directly from the smelting furnace into a mold



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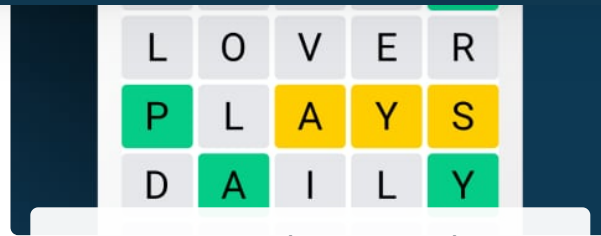
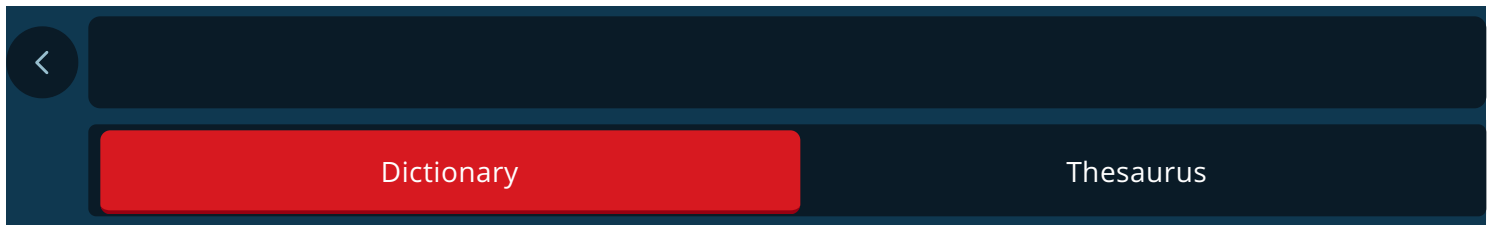
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