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God, esp. when conceived as exercising such care and guidance in directing human affairs. **3.** a manifestation of divine care or direction. **4.** provident or prudent management of resources. **5.** foresight; provident care. [1300–50; ME < L *prōvidentia* foresight, forethought]

prov•i•dent (prov′i dənt), *adj.* **1.** having or showing foresight; providing carefully for the future. **2.** mindful in making provision (usu. fol. by *of*). **3.** economical; frugal; thrifty. **—prov′i•dent•ly,** *adv.*

prov•i•den•tial (prov′i den′shəl), *adj.* **1.** of, pertaining to, or resulting from divine providence. **2.** opportune, fortunate, or lucky: *a providential event.* **—prov′i•den′tial•ly,** *adv.*

pro•vid•er (prə vī′dər), *n.* **1.** a person or thing that provides. **2.** a person who supports a family or another person. [1515–25]

pro•vid•ing (prə vī′diŋ), *conj.* on the condition or understanding (that); provided: *You can stay providing you do some work.* [1375–1425] **—Usage.** See PROVIDED.

prov•ince (prov′ins), *n.* **1.** an administrative division or unit of a country, esp. any of the 10 principal political units of Canada. **2. the provinces,** the parts of a country outside of the capital or the largest cities. **3.** a country, territory, district, or region. **4. a.** a major region of the earth or biosphere. **b.** a biogeographic zone characterized by its dominant plants and animals. **5.** a department or branch of learning or activity: *the province of mathematics.* **6.** a sphere or field of activity or authority, as of a person. **7.** an ecclesiastical territorial division, as that within which an archbishop or a metropolitan exercises jurisdiction. **8.** a country or territory of the Roman Empire outside of Italy administered by a governor sent from Rome. [1300–50; ME < MF < L *prōvincia* province, official charge]

pro•vin•cial (prə vin′shəl), *adj.* **1.** belonging or peculiar to a particular province or provinces; local. **2.** of or pertaining to the provinces. **3.** rustic, narrow, or illiberal; unsophisticated; parochial. **4.** (*often cap.*) of or pertaining to styles of furniture, architecture, etc., developed in the provinces, esp. when based on styles originating in or around the capital: *Italian provincial.* **—***n.* **5.** a person who lives in or comes from the provinces. **6.** a person lacking in urban sophistication or broad-mindedness. **7. a.** the head of an ecclesiastical province. [1300–50; ME (n. and adj.) < L *prōvinciālis.* See PROVINCE, -AL[1]] **—pro•vin′cial•ly,** *adv.*

pro•vin•cial•ism (prə vin′shə liz′əm), *n.* **1.** narrowness of views or interests; lack of sophistication. **2.** a trait, habit of thought, etc., characteristic of a provincial, a province, or the provinces. **3.** a word, expression, or pronunciation peculiar to a region. **4.** devotion to one's own province before the nation as a whole. [1760–70]

pro•vin•ci•al•i•ty (prə vin′shē al′i tē), *n., pl.* **-ties. 1.** provincial character; provincialism. **2.** a provincial characteristic. [1775–85]

prov′ing ground′, *n.* any place, context, or area for testing something, as scientific equipment or a theory. [1940–45]

pro•vi•rus (prō′vī′rəs, prō vī′-), *n., pl.* **-rus•es.** a viral form that is incorporated into the genetic material of a host cell. [1945–50]

pro•vi•sion (prə vizh′ən), *n.* **1.** the act of providing or supplying. **2.** something provided or supplied. **3.** an arrangement or preparation made beforehand, as to meet needs. **4.** a clause in a law, legal instrument, etc., providing for something; stipulation; proviso. **5. provisions,** supplies of food. **6.** an appointment to an ecclesiastical office. **—***v.t.* **7.** to supply with provisions. [1300–50; ME < L *prōvīsiō* a foreseeing = *prōvīd-,* var. s. of *prōvidēre* to PROVIDE + *-tiō* -TION] **—pro•vi′sion•er,** *n.* **—pro•vi′sion•less,** *adj.*

pro•vi•sion•al (prə vizh′ə nl), *adj.* **1.** serving for the time being only; temporary: *a provisional government.* **2.** accepted or adopted tentatively; conditional. **3.** (*usu. cap.*) of or being the wing of the Irish Republican Army that follows a policy of terrorism and violence. **—***n.* **4.** a postage stamp issued for temporary use, as by a local post office prior to regular government issues. **5.** a provisional member of a group. **6.** (*usu. cap.*) a member of the Provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army. Also, **pro•vi′sion•ar′y** (-vizh′ə ner′ē) (for defs. 1, 2). [1595–1605] **—pro•vi′sion•al•ly,** *adv.*

pro•vi•so (prə vī′zō), *n., pl.* **-sos, -soes. 1.** a clause, as in a statute or contract, by which a condition is introduced. **2.** a stipulation or condition. [1400–50; late ME < ML *prōvīsō,* for *prōvīsō* (*quod*) it being provided (that), abl. neut. sing. of L *prōvīsus,* ptp. of *prōvidēre* to PROVIDE]

pro•vi•so•ry (prə vī′zə rē), *adj.* **1.** containing a proviso or condition; conditional. **2.** PROVISIONAL (defs. 1, 2). [1605–15; < ML *prōvīsōrius* = L *prōvīd-,* var. s. of *prōvidēre* to PROVIDE + *-tōrius* -TORY[1]] **—pro•vi′so•ri•ly,** *adv.*

pro•vi•ta•min (prō vī′tə min; *Brit. also* prō vit′ə min), *n.* a substance that an organism can transform into a vitamin, as carotene, which is converted to vitamin A in the liver. [1925–30]

provitamin A, *n.* CAROTENE. [1950–55]

Pro•vo[2] (prō′vō), *n., pl.* **-vos.** (*sometimes l.c.*) PROVISIONAL (def. 6).

pro•vo•ca•teur (prə vok′ə tûr′, -tōōr′), *n.* a person who provokes trouble or incites dissension; agitator; agent provocateur. [1915–20; < F < L *prōvocātor* challenger, appellant = *provocā(re)* to PROVOKE + *-tor* -TOR]

prov•o•ca•tion (prov′ə kā′shən), *n.* **1.** the act of provoking. **2.** something that provokes, esp. by inciting, instigating, angering, or irritating. [1375–1425; late ME < L *prōvocātiō* challenge, appeal = *prōvocā(re)* to PROVOKE + *-tiō* -TION] **—prov′o•ca′tion•al,** *adj.*

pro•voc•a•tive (prə vok′ə tiv), *adj.* **1.** tending or serving to provoke; stimulating, exciting, or vexing. **—***n.* **2.** something provocative. [1375–1425; late ME < LL *prōvocātīvus.* See PROVOKE, -ATE[1], -IVE] **—pro•voc′a•tive•ly,** *adv.* **—pro•voc′a•tive•ness,** *n.*

pro•voke (prə vōk′), *v.t.,* **-voked, -vok•ing. 1.** to anger, exasperate, or vex. **2.** to stir up, arouse, or call forth (feelings, desires, or activity). **3.** to incite or stimulate to action. **4.** to give rise to, induce, or bring about. [1400–50; < L *prōvocāre* to call forth, challenge, provoke = *prō-* PRO-[1] + *vocāre* to call] **—pro•vok′er,** *n.* **—Syn.** See INCITE.

pro•vok•ing (prə vō′king), *adj.* serving to provoke; causing annoyance or anger. [1520–30] **—pro•vok′ing•ly,** *adv.*

pro•vo•lo•ne (prō′və lō′nē), *n.* a mellow, light-colored Italian cheese, usu. smoked after drying. [1945–50; < It, orig. dial. (S Italy) = *provol(a)* kind of cheese (of uncert. orig.) + *-one* aug. suffix]

pro•vost (prō′vōst, prov′əst *or, esp. in military usage,* prō′vō), *n.* **1.** a person appointed to superintend or preside. **2.** a high-ranking administrative officer of some colleges and universities, concerned with the curriculum, faculty appointments, etc. **3.** the chief dignitary of a cathedral or collegiate church. **4.** the mayor of a municipality in Scotland. **5.** *Obs.* a prison warden. [bef. 900; ME; OE *profost* < ML *prōpositus* abbot, prior, provost, lit., (one) placed before, L: ptp. of *prōpōnere.* See PROPOUND] **—pro′vost•ship′,** *n.*

pro′vost court′ (prō′vō), *n.* (in occupied territory) a military court, usu. composed of one officer, empowered to try military personnel and civilians for minor offenses. [1860–65]

pro′vost guard′ (prō′vō), *n.* a detachment of soldiers assigned to police duties under the provost marshal. [1770–80, *Amer.*]

pro′vost mar′shal (prō′vō), *n.* **1.** an officer in the army charged with maintaining order and with other police functions within a command. **2.** an officer in the navy charged with the safekeeping of a prisoner pending trial by court-martial. [1525–35]

prow[1] (prou), *n.* **1.** the forepart of a ship or boat; bow. **2.** a similar projecting forepart, as the nose of an airplane. [1545–55; < MF *proue* < Upper It (Genoese) *prua* < L *prōra* < Gk *prōira*]

prow[2] (prou), *adj. Archaic.* valiant. [1350–1400; ME < OF *prou* < VL **prōdis.* See PROUD]

prow•ess (prou′is), *n.* **1.** exceptional ability, skill, or strength. **2.** exceptional valor or bravery, esp. in combat or battle. [1250–1300; ME < OF *proesse, proece* goodness, bravery = *prou* PROW[2] + *-esse* < L *-itia* -ICE]

prowl (proul), *v.i.* **1.** to rove or go about stealthily, as in search of prey or something to steal. **—***v.t.* **2.** to rove over or through in search of what may be found: *to prowl the streets.* **—***n.* **3.** the act of prowling. **—*Idiom.* 4. on the prowl,** in the act of prowling; searching stealthily. [1350–1400; ME *prollen,* of uncert. orig.] **—Syn.** See LURK.

prowl′ car′, *n.* SQUAD CAR. [1935–40, *Amer.*]

prowl•er (prou′lər), *n.* **1.** one that prowls. **2.** one who goes stealthily about with an unlawful intention, as to commit theft. [1510–20]

prox., proximo.

prox•e•mics (prok sē′miks), *n.* (*used with a sing. v.*) the study of varying patterns of physical proximity in human or animal populations, esp. their role in social interaction and their effect on behavior. [1960–65; PROX(IMITY) + *-emics* (extracted from PHONEMICS)] **—prox•e′mic,** *adj.*

Prox′i•ma Centau′ri (prok′sə mə), *n.* the nearest star to the sun at a distance of 4.3 light-years, part of Alpha Centauri. [< NL: nearest (star) of CENTAURUS]

prox•i•mal (prok′sə məl), *adj.* **1.** situated toward the point of origin or attachment, as of a limb or bone. Compare DISTAL (def. 1). **2.** of or designating the surface of a tooth nearest to a specified adjacent tooth. **3.** nearest; proximate. [1720–30; < L *proxim(us)* next (superl. of *prope* near) + -AL[1]] **—prox′i•mal•ly,** *adv.*

prox•i•mate (prok′sə mit), *adj.* **1.** next; nearest; immediately before or after in order, place, occurrence, etc. **2.** close; very near. **3.** forthcoming; imminent. **4.** approximate; fairly accurate. [1590–1600; < LL *proximātus,* ptp. of *proximāre* to near, approach. See PROXIMAL, -ATE[1]] **—prox′i•mate•ly,** *adv.* **—prox′i•mate•ness,** *n.*

prox•im•i•ty (prok sim′i tē), *n.* nearness in place, time, relation, etc. [1475–85; < L *proximitās* nearness, vicinity. See PROXIMAL, -ITY]

proxim′ity fuze′, *n.* a device for detonating a charge, as in a projectile, within a predesignated radius of a target. [1940–45]

prox•i•mo (prok′sə mō′), *adv. Archaic.* in, of, or during the next month: *on the 10th proximo.* [1850–55; < L *proximō,* abl. of *proximus* next]

prox•y (prok′sē), *n., pl.* **prox•ies. 1.** the agency, function, or power of a person authorized to act as the deputy or substitute for another. **2.** the person so authorized; substitute; agent. **3.** a written authorization empowering another person to vote or act for the signer, as at a meeting of stockholders. [1400–50; late ME *prokesye, procusie,* contr. of *procuracy* procuration. See PROCURE, -ACY]

Pro•zac (prō′zak), *Trademark.* a brand of fluoxetine hydrochloride, used chiefly as an antidepressant.

prp., present participle.

prs., pairs.

prude (prōōd), *n.* a person who is excessively proper or modest and is or affects to be easily shocked, esp. in matters involving sex. [1695–1705; < F *prude* a prude (n.), prudish (adj.), short for *prudefemme,* OF *prodefeme* worthy or respectable woman. See PROUD, FEMME]

pru•dence (prōōd′ns), *n.* **1.** the quality or fact of being prudent. **2.** wisdom with regard to practical matters. **3.** cautiousness; circumspection. **4.** provident care in the management of resources; economy. [1300–50]

pru•dent (prōōd′nt), *adj.* **1.** wise or judicious in practical affairs. **2.** discreet or circumspect; cautious. **3.** careful in providing for the future; provident. [1350–1400; ME < L *prūdent-* (s. of *prūdēns*), contr. of *prōvidēns* PROVIDENT] **—pru′dent•ly,** *adv.*

pru•den•tial (prōō den′shəl), *adj.* **1.** of, characterized by, or resulting

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adjective

1. next; nearest; immediately before or after in order, place, occurrence, etc.
2. close; very near.
3. approximate; fairly accurate.
4. forthcoming; imminent.

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ORIGIN OF PROXIMATE[1]

1590–1600; <Late Latin *proximātus,* past participle of *proximāre* to near, approach. See proximal, -ate[1]

OTHER WORDS FROM PROXIMATE

prox·i·mate·ly, adverb
prox·i·mate·ness, noun
prox·i·ma·tion [prok-s*uh*-**mey**-sh*uh*n], noun

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WORDS RELATED TO PROXIMATE

direct, forthcoming, imminent, near, nearby, next

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proximal / (ˈprɒksɪmɪt) /

adjective

1. next or nearest in space or time
2. very near; close
3. immediately preceding or following in a series
4. a less common word for approximate

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ORIGIN OF PROXIMATE[1]

C16: from Late Latin *proximāre* to draw near, from Latin *proximus* next, from *prope* near

DERIVED FORMS OF PROXIMATE

proximately, adverb
proximateness, noun
proximation, noun

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closest in time, place, relationship, etc. to something:

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- *The danger is greatest if the fireball is proximate **to** the target.*
- *Insurance covers the proximate **cause** of a loss—e.g. a rusty roof that lets rainwater in.*

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proximate adjective

prox·i·mate ˈpräk-sə-mət

Synonyms of *proximate*

1 : immediately preceding or following (as in a chain of events, causes, or effects)

> *proximate*, rather than ultimate, goals
> – Reinhold Niebuhr

2 a : very near : CLOSE

b : soon forthcoming : IMMINENT

proximately adverb

proximateness noun

Did you know?

If you'd like to approach a better understanding of *proximate*, and an approximation of its history, pull up a chair and get cozy with the history of its etymological proximity to other English words. *Proximate* comes ultimately from the Latin adjective *prope*, meaning "near," a source too of *approach*, *reproach*, and *propinquity*. Other close relations of *proximate* are easier to spot: they include *proximity*, *approximation* and *approximate*.

Synonyms

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Etymology

Latin *proximatus*, past participle of *proximare* to approach, from *proximus* nearest, next, superlative of *prope* near — more at APPROACH

First Known Use

1661, in the meaning defined at sense 1

Time Traveler

The first known use of *proximate* was in 1661

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1 a : very near

b : next, preceding, or following

especially : relating to or being a proximate cause

2 : determined by proximate analysis

3 : PROXIMAL sense 1b

proximately adverb

Legal Definition

proximate adjective

prox·i·mate ˈpräk-sə-mət

1 : next immediately preceding or following (as in a chain of causation, events, or effects) : being or leading to a particular especially foreseeable result without intervention

→ see also PROXIMATE CAUSE at CAUSE sense 1

2 : very or relatively close or near

> would be sufficiently *proximate* to the commencement of the defendant's trial
> – *Johnson v. New Jersey*, 384 U.S. 719 (1966)

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