

remote ^{1 of 2} adjective

re·mote ri-'mōt 

remoter; remotest

[Synonyms of remote >](#)

- 1** : separated by an interval or space greater than usual
an involucre *remote* from the flower
- 2** : far [removed](#) in space, time, or relation : **DIVERGENT**
the *remote* past
comments *remote* from the truth
- 3** : **OUT-OF-THE-WAY, SECLUDED**
a *remote* cabin in the hills
- 4** : being, relating to, or involving a means of doing or using something indirectly or from a distance: such as
 - a** : using or involving a network connection between computers or systems in different locations
a *remote* workforce
remote learning
files stored on *remote* servers

— Tony Davis

Using up to three *remote* sensors, the unit gives you indoor and outdoor temperature and humidity.

— Cliff Gromer

Satellite *remote* sensing offers a step change in our ability to map and monitor the extent of Antarctica's terrestrial biosphere.

— Andrew Gray et al.

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5 : not arising from a primary or proximate action

6 : small in degree : [SLIGHT](#)

a *remote* possibility

hadn't the *remotest* idea of what was going on

7 : distant in manner : [ALOOOF](#)

noun

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1 : a radio or television program or a portion of a program originating outside the studio

2 : [REMOTE CONTROL sense 2](#)



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fragile

negligible

outside

slim

frail

off

slight

small

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She enjoys reading about *remote* lands.

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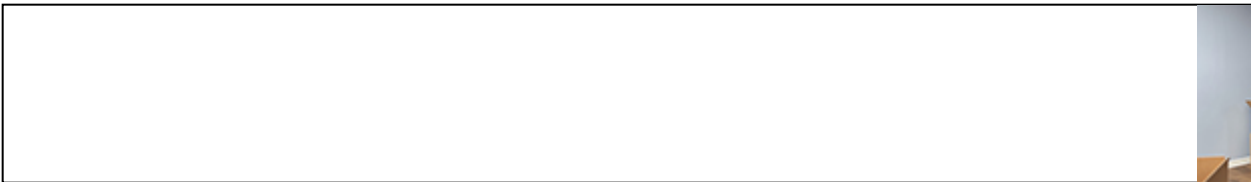
— Anna Esaki-Smith, *Forbes*, 20 Feb. 2024

Workers want to stay *remote*, prompting an office real estate crisis A construction boom followed.

— Rachel Siegel, *Washington Post*, 20 Feb. 2024

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First Known Use

Adjective

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

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1937, in the meaning defined at [sense 1](#)

Time Traveler

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1 : far removed in place, time, or relation

remote countries

remote ages

remote cousins

remote computer operation

4 : small in degree : **SLIGHT**

a *remote* possibility

5 : distant in manner : **ALOOF**

adverb

noun

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: **REMOTE CONTROL** sense 2



b : exceeding the time allowed under the rule against perpetuities for the vesting of interests

the residuary clause...violates the rule against *remote* vesting

— *Estate of Grove*, 70 Cal. App. 3d 355 (1977)

also : being in violation of the rule against perpetuities

a *remote* contingent estate

2 : acting, acted on, or controlled indirectly or from a distance

3 a : not proximate or acting directly

b : not arising from the effect of that which is proximate

4 : small in degree

a *remote* possibility of paternity

adverb

noun

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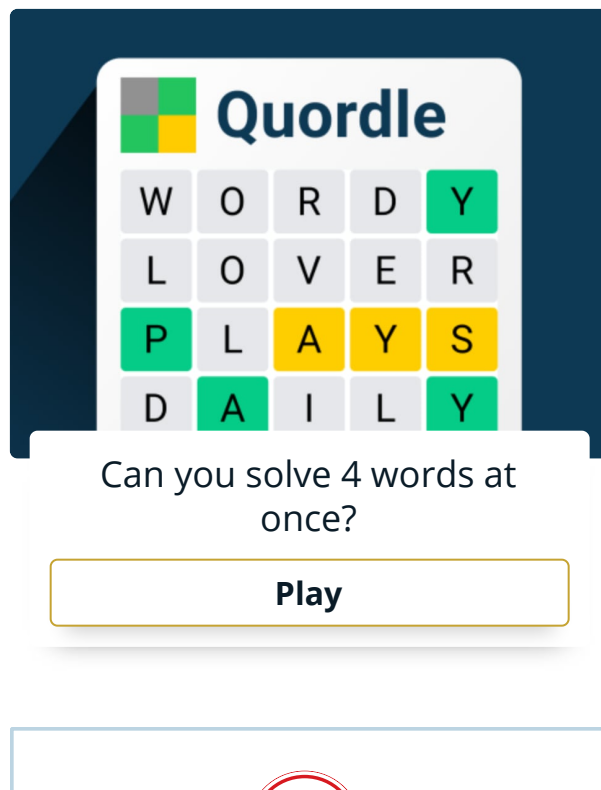
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