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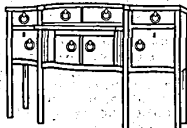
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appetite) 3: producing or tending to produce disease: UNWHOLE-SOME (a ~ climate) 4 a: appearing as if sick b: lacking in vigor: WEAK (a ~ plant) 5: SICKENING (a ~ odor) — *sick-illness* *n*
sickly *adj* *sick-ly* (1763): to make sick or sickly
sick-ness *'sɪk-nəs* *n* (bef. 12c) 1 a: ill health: ILLNESS b: a disor-dered, weakened, or unsound condition 2: a specific disease 3: NAUSEA, QUEASINESS
sicko *'sɪ(ˌ)k(ə)* *n*, *pl* **sick-os** (1963): a person who is mentally or mor-ally sick — *sicko* *adj*
sick-out *'sɪk-aʊt* *n* (1951): an organized absence from work by workers on the pretext of sickness
sick pay *n* (1887): salary or wages paid to an employee while on sick leave
sick-room *'sɪk-rʊm*, *-rʊm* *n* (1749): a room in which a person is confined by sickness
sic pas-sim *'sɪk-pa-sam*, *'sɪk-pa-sim* *adv* [L] (ca. 1921): so through-out — used of a word or idea to be found throughout a book or a writ-er's work
SID *abbr* sports information director
sid-dur *'sɪd-dʊr*, *-dʊr* *n*, *pl* **sid-dur-um** *'sɪd-dʊr-əm* [LHeb *siddur*, lit., order, arrangement] (ca. 1864): a Jewish prayer book containing litur-gies for daily, Sabbath, and holiday observances
side *'saɪd* *n* [ME, fr. OE *side*; akin to OHG *sita* side, OE *sīd* ample, wide (bef. 12c)] 1 a: the right or left part of the wall or trunk of the body (a pain in the ~) b (1): one of the halves of the animal body on either side of the median plane (2): a cut of meat including that about the ribs of one half of the body — used chiefly of smoked pork products c: one longitudinal half of a hide 2: a place, space, or di-rection with respect to a center or to a line of division (as of an aisle, river, or street) 3 a: one of the longer bounding surfaces or lines of an object esp. contrasted with the ends (the ~ of a barn) b: a line or surface forming a border or face of an object (a die has six ~s) (the back ~ of the moon) c: either surface of a thin object (one ~ of a record) (right ~ of the cloth) d: a bounding line of a geometric fig-ure (the ~ of a triangle) 4 a: the space beside one (stood by my ~) b: an area next to something — *usu.* used in combination (a poolside in-terview) 5: a slope (as of a hill) considered as opposed to another slope (the far ~ of the hill) 6 a: the attitude or activity of one per-son or group with respect to another: PART (there was no malice on my ~) b: a position that is opposite to or contrasted with another (two ~s to every question) (came down on the ~ of law and order) c: a body of partisans or contestants (victory for neither ~) d: TEAM 4a (11 players on each ~); also: the players on a baseball team batting in an inning (struck out the ~) 7: a line of descent traced through one's parent (grandfather on his mother's ~) 8: an aspect or part of something contrasted with some other real or implied aspect or part (the better ~ of his nature) (the sales ~ of the business) (the seasoning is a bit on the heavy ~) 9 *Brit*: sideways spin imparted to a billiard or snooker ball 10: a sheet containing the lines and cues for a single theatrical role 11: a recording of music 12: a side order or dish (a ~ of fries) — **on the side** 1: in addition to the main portion 2: in addition to a principal occupation 3: secretly outside of one's marriage or romantic relationship (seeing another woman *on the side*) — **this side of**: short of: ALMOST (an attitude just *this side of* scan-dalous)
side adj (14c) 1 a: situated on the side (~ window) b: of or relat-ing to the side 2 a: directed toward or from the side (~ thrust) (~ wind) b: INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT (~ issue) (~ remark) c: made on the side (~ payment) d: additional to the main portion (a ~ or-der of french fries)
side vb **side-ed**; **side-ing** *v* (1591) 1: to agree with: SUPPORT 2: to be side by side with 3: to set or put aside: clear away (~ the dishes) 4: to furnish with sides or siding (~ a house) ~ *vi*: to take sides ~ *join* or *form* sides (*sided* with the rebels)
side *n* [obs. E *side* proud, boastful] (1878) chiefly *Brit*: swaggering or arrogant manner: PRETENTIOUSNESS
side-arm *'saɪd-ɑrm* *n* (1689): a weapon (as a sword, revolver, or bayo-net) worn at the side or in the belt
sidearm adj (1908): of, relating to, using, or being a throw (as in base-ball) in which the arm is not raised above the shoulder and the ball is thrown with a sideways sweep of the arm between shoulder and hip (~ delivery) (a ~ pass) — **sidearm** *adv*
side-band *'saɪd-bænd* *n* (1921): the band of frequencies (as of radio waves) on either side of the carrier frequency produced by modulation
side-bar *'saɪd-bɑr* *n* (1945) 1 a: a short news story or graphic accompa-nying and presenting sidelights of a major story b: something inci-dental: SIDELIGHT (a ~ to the essay's central theme) 2: a confer-ence between the judge, the lawyers, and sometimes the parties to a case that the jury does not hear
side bearing *n* (ca. 1894): the space provided at each side of a typeset letter to prevent its touching adjoining letters
side-board *'saɪd-bɔrd* *n* (1671) 1: a piece of dining-room furniture having compartments and shelves for holding ar-ticles of table service 2: *SIDEBOARDS* *pl*, *Brit*: *SIDEBURNS*
side-burns *'saɪd-bɜnz* *n* *pl* [anagram of *burnsides*] (1887) 1: *SIDE-WHISKERS* 2: continuations of the hairline in front of the ears — **side-burned** *'saɪd-bɜnd* *adj*
side by side *adv* (13c) 1: beside one an- other (walking *side by side*) 2: in the same place, time, or circumstance (lived peacefully *side by side* for many years) — **side-by-side** *adj*
side-car *'saɪd-kɑr* *n* (1903) 1: a car attached to the side of a motor-cycle for a passenger 2: a cocktail consisting of a liqueur with lemon juice and brandy
side chain *n* (1886): a shorter chain or group of atoms attached to a principal chain or to a ring in a molecule
side chair *n* (1905): a chair without arms used *usu.* in a dining room
side adj (15c): having sides often of a specified number or kind (one-*sided*) (glass-*sided*) — **side-ed-ness** *n*



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side dish *n* (1706): a food served separately along with the main course
side-dress *'saɪd-dres* *vt* (ca. 1939): to place plant nutrients on or in the soil near the roots of (a growing crop)
side-dressing *'saɪd-dres-ɪŋ* *n* (1935): plant nutrients (as fertilizer) used to side-dress a crop
side drum *n* (ca. 1800): SNARE DRUM
side effect *n* (1884): a secondary and *usu.* adverse effect (as of a drug) (toxic *side effects*) — called also *side reaction*
side-glance *'saɪd-ɡlɑns* *n* (ca. 1611) 1: a glance directed to the side 2: a passing allusion: an indirect or slight reference
side-hill *'saɪd-hɪl* *n* (1674): HILLSIDE — **sidehill** *adj*
side horse *n* (ca. 1934): POMMEL HORSE
side-kick *'saɪd-kɪk* *n* (1906): a person closely associated with another as a subordinate or partner
side-light *'saɪd-laɪt* *n* (1610) 1 a: light coming or produced from the side b: incidental light or information 2: the red light on the port bow or the green light on the starboard bow carried by ships under way at night
side-line *'saɪd-lɪn* *n* (ca. 1862) 1: a line at right angles to a goal line or end line and marking a side of a court or field of play for athletic games 2 a: a line of goods sold in addition to one's principal line b: a busi-ness or activity pursued in addition to one's regular occupation 3 a: the space immediately outside the lines along either side of an athletic field or court b: a sphere of little or no participation or activity — *usu.* used in *pl.*
sideline *v* (1943): to put out of action: put on the sidelines
side-lin-er *'saɪd-lɪn-ər* *n* (1947): one that remains on the sidelines dur-ing an activity: one that does not participate
side-ling *'saɪd-lɪŋ* *adv* [ME *sīdliŋ*, fr. *'side* + *-liŋ*] (14c) *archaic*: in a sidelong direction: SIDEWAYS
sideling *adj* (ca. 1611) 1 *archaic*: directed toward one side: OBLIQUE 2 *archaic*: having an inclination: SLOPING (~ ground)
side-long *'saɪd-lɒŋ* *adj* [alter. of *'sideliŋ*] (14c) 1: SIDEWAYS, OB-LIQUE 2 *archaic*: on the side
sidelong *adj* (1597) 1: lying or inclining to one side: SLANTING 2 a: directed to one side (~ looks) b: indirect rather than straightfor-ward
side-man *'saɪd-mən* *n* (ca. 1936): a member of a band or orchestra and esp. of a jazz or swing orchestra
side-out *'saɪd-aʊt* *n* (1949): the termination of a team's right to serve (as in volleyball)
side-piece *'saɪd-pi:s* *n* (1648): a piece forming or contained in the side of something (the ~ of a carriage)
sider or **sidero** *comb form* [Gk *sīdēr*, *sīdērō*, fr. *sīdērōs*: iron (he-mosiderin) (*siderolite*)
-sider *'saɪd-ər* *comb form*: one placed or living in a *usu.* specified side (as a section of the city) (an east-*sider*)
side-re-al *'saɪd-rɪ-əl*, *-sɔ-* *adj* [L *sīdereus*, fr. *sīdēr*, *sīdus* star, constel-lation] (1647): of, relating to, or expressed in relation to stars or con-stellations: ASTRAL
sideral day *n* (1764): the interval between two successive transits of a point on the celestial sphere (as the vernal equinox) over the upper me-ridian of a place: 23 hours, 56 minutes, 4.1 seconds of mean time
sideral hour *n* (ca. 1695): the 24th part of a sideral day
sideral minute *n* (ca. 1909): the 60th part of a sideral hour
sideral month *n* (1868): the mean time of the moon's revolution in its orbit with reference to a star's position: 27 days, 7 hours, 43 min-utes, 11.5 seconds of mean time
sideral second *n* (ca. 1909): the 60th part of a sideral minute
sideral time *n* (1764) 1: time based on the sideral day 2: the hour angle of the vernal equinox at a place
sideral year *n* (1681): the time in which the earth completes one re-volution in its orbit around the sun measured with respect to the fixed stars: 365 days, 6 hours, 9 minutes, and 9.5 seconds of mean time
side-rite *'saɪd-rɪt* *n* [G *Siderit*, fr. Gk *sīdērōs* iron] (1850): a native ferrous carbonate FeCO₃ that is a valuable iron ore
siderite *n* (1875): a nickel-iron meteorite
side road *n* (1691): a smaller road off a main road
side-ro-lite *'saɪd-rɔ-lɪt*, *'saɪd-rə-lɪt* *n* (1863): a stony iron meteorite
side-sad-dle *'saɪd-sa-dl* *n* (15c): a saddle for women in which the rider sits with both legs on one side of the horse — **sidesaddle** *adv*
side-scan sonar *'saɪd-skən-sən* *n* (1967): a sonar that scans the ocean floor to the side of a ship's track and is used esp. for mapping the ocean bot-tom
side-show *'saɪd-ʃəʊ* *n* (1846) 1: a minor show offered in addition to a main exhibition (as of a circus) 2: an incidental diversion or specta-cle
side-slip *'saɪd-slɪp* *vi* (1887) 1: to skid or slide sideways 2: to slide sideways through the air in a downward direction in an airplane along an inclined lateral axis — **sideslip** *n*
side-spin *'saɪd-spɪn* *n* (1926): a rotary motion that causes a ball to re-volve horizontally
side-split-ting *'saɪd-splɪt-ɪŋ* *adj* (1846): extremely funny (a ~ comedy) — **side-split-ting-ly** *adv*
side-step *'saɪd-steɪp* *vt* (1900) 1: BYPASS, EVADE (~ a question) 2: to move out of the way of: AVOID (~ a blow) ~ *vi* 1: to take a side step 2: to avoid an issue or decision — **side-step-per** *n*
side step *n* (ca. 1789) 1: a step aside (as in boxing to avoid a blow) 2: a step taken sideways (as when climbing on skis)
side-stream *'saɪd-strɪm* *adj* (1951): relating to or being tobacco smoke that is emitted from the lighted end of a cigarette or cigar
side street *n* (1617): a street joining and often terminated by a main thoroughfare
side-stroke *'saɪd-strɒk* *n* (1867): a swimming stroke which is execut-ed on the side and in which the arms are swept in separate strokes to-wards the feet and downward and the legs do a scissors kick

ˈəʊ about ˈkɪtən kitten, F table ˈfɑː further ˈæʃ ash ˈæː ace ˈlɑː map, mar ˈaʊt out ˈtʃɪn chin ˈvɛt bet ˈeɪ easy ˈɡo go ˈhɪt hit ˈlɪce lice ˈlɒb lob ˈlɪŋ sing ˈlɔː go ˈlɔː law ˈlɔɪ boy ˈθɪ thin ˈθɪ the ˈlʊt loot ˈfʊt foot ˈjɛt yet ˈzɪ vision, beige ˈk, æ, ʊ, ɪ see Guide to Pronunciation