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²collar *vb*: to seize by the collar; *also*: ARREST, GRAB
collar-bone \kə-ˈbɒn/ *n*: the bone of the shoulder that
joins the breastbone and the shoulder blade
collard \kə-ˈlɔrd/ *n*: a stalked smooth-leaved kale —
usu. used in pl.

collate \kə-ˈlæt; ˈkɑ-ˈlæt, ˈkɑ-ˈlāt/ *vb* **col-lat-ed; col-lat-ing** 1: to compare (as two texts) carefully and crit-
ically 2: to assemble in proper order

¹collateral \kə-ˈlɑ-tə-rəl/ *adj* 1: associated but of sec-
ondary importance 2: descended from the same an-
cestors but not in the same line 3: PARALLEL 4: of,
relating to, or being collateral used as security; *also*
: secured by collateral

²collateral *n*: property (as stocks) used as security for
the repayment of a loan

colla-tion \kə-ˈlɑ-shən, kō-ˈ/ *n* 1: a light meal 2: the
act, process, or result of collating

colleague \kə-ˈliːg/ *n*: an associate esp. in a profes-
sion

¹collect \kə-ˈlɛkt, -ˈlɛkt/ *n*: a short prayer comprising
an invocation, petition, and conclusion

²collect \kə-ˈlɛkt/ *vb* 1: to bring or come together into
one body or place: GATHER 2: to gain control of (~
his thoughts) 3: to receive payment of — **collect-
ible or collect-able** *adj* or *n* — **collect-for** \-ˈlɛk-tər/
n

³collect \kə-ˈlɛkt/ *adv* or *adj*: to be paid for by the re-
ceiver

collected \kə-ˈlɛk-təd/ *adj*: SELF-POSSESSED, CALM
collection \kə-ˈlɛk-shən/ *n* 1: the act or process of
collecting (garbage ~) 2: something collected (a
stamp ~) 3: GROUP, AGGREGATE

¹collective \kə-ˈlɛk-tɪv/ *adj* 1: of, relating to, or denot-
ing a group of individuals considered as a whole 2
: involving all members of a group as distinct from its
individuals 3: shared or assumed by all members of
the group — **collectively** *adv*

²collective *n* 1: GROUP 2: a cooperative unit or organ-
ization

collective bargaining *n*: negotiation between an em-
ployer and a labor union

collectivise chiefly *Brit* var of COLLECTIVIZE

collectivism \kə-ˈlɛk-tɪ-vɪ-zəm/ *n*: a political or eco-
nomic theory advocating collective control esp.
over production and distribution

collectivize \-ˈvɪz/ *vb* **-ized; -izing**: to organize un-
der collective control — **collectiviza-tion** \-ˈlɛk-tɪ-
və-ˈzɑ-shən/ *n*

colleen \kə-ˈlɛn, ˈkɑ-ˈlɛn/ *n*: an Irish girl

colleage \kə-ˈliː/ *n* [ME, fr. MF, fr. L *collegium* soci-
ety, fr. *collega* colleague, fr. *com-* with + *legare* to
appoint] 1: a building used for an educational or re-
ligious purpose 2: an institution of higher learning
granting a bachelor's degree; *also*: an institution offer-
ing instruction esp. in a vocational or technical
field (barber ~) 3: an organized body of persons
having common interests or duties (~ of cardinals)
— **collegiate** \kə-ˈliː-jət/ *adj*

¹collegiality \kə-ˈliː-jē-ˈɑ-lə-tē/ *n*: the relationship of
colleagues

collegian \kə-ˈliː-jən/ *n*: a college student or recent
college graduate

collegium \kə-ˈliː-gē-əm, -ˈliː-ˈ/ *n*, *pl* **-gia** \-gē-ə/ or
-giums: a group in which each member has approx-
imately equal power

collide \kə-ˈliːd/ *vb* **col-lid-ed; col-lid-ing** 1: to come
together with solid impact 2: to come into conflict
: CLASH

collider \kə-ˈliː-dər/ *n*: a particle accelerator in which
two beams of particles are made to collide

collie \kə-ˈliː/ *n*: a large dog of a breed with rough-
coated and smooth-coated varieties developed in
Scotland for herding sheep

collier \kə-ˈliː-ər/ *n* 1: a coal miner 2: a ship for car-
rying coal

collar • colonize



collie

colliery \kə-ˈliː-ri/ *n*, *pl* **-lieries**: a coal mine and its
associated buildings

colli-mate \kə-ˈliː-māt/ *vb* **-mat-ed; -mat-ing**: to
make (as light rays) parallel

collision \kə-ˈliː-zhən/ *n*: an act or instance of collid-
ing

collo-ca-tion \kə-ˈlɑ-shən/ *n*: the act or result of
placing or arranging together; *esp*: a noticeable ar-
rangement or conjoining of linguistic elements (as
words)

colloid \kə-ˈlɔɪd/ *n*: a substance in the form of sub-
microscopic particles that when in solution or sus-
pension do not settle out; *also*: such a substance
together with the medium in which it is dispersed —
colloidal \kə-ˈlɔɪd-əl/ *adj*

colloq *abbr* colloquial

collo-quial \kə-ˈlɔ-kwē-əl/ *adj*: of, relating to, or
characteristic of conversation and esp. of familiar
and informal conversation

collo-quial-ism \-ˈlɔ-kwē-əl-iz-əm/ *n*: a colloquial
expression

collo-quium \kə-ˈlɔ-kwē-əm/ *n*, *pl* **-quiums or -quia**
-ə/: CONFERENCE, SEMINAR

collo-quy \kə-ˈlɔ-kwē/ *n*, *pl* **-quies**: a usu. formal con-
versation or conference

col-lu-sion \kə-ˈlʊ-zhən/ *n*: secret agreement or coop-
eration for an illegal or deceitful purpose — **col-lu-
sive** \-sɪv/ *adj*

Colo *abbr* Colorado

cologne \kə-ˈlɒn/ *n* [Cologne, Germany]: a perfumed
liquid — **cologned** \-ˈlɒnd/ *adj*

Col-om-bi-an \kə-ˈlɒm-bē-ən/ *n*: a native or inhabitant
of Colombia — **Colombian** *adj*

¹colon \kə-ˈlɒn/ *n*, *pl* **colons or co-la** \-lə/: the part of
the large intestine extending from the cecum to the
rectum — **colon-ic** \kə-ˈlɒ-nɪk/ *adj*

²colon *n*, *pl* **colons**: a punctuation mark: used esp. to
direct attention to following matter (as a list)

colón *also* co-lone \kə-ˈlɒn/ *n*, *pl* **co-lo-nes** \-ˈlɒ-nəs/
— see MONEY table

colo-nel \kə-ˈnɛl/ *n* [alter. of *coronel*, fr. MF, fr. It
colonnello column of soldiers, colonel, ultim. fr. L
columna]: a commissioned officer (as in the army)
ranking next below a brigadier general

¹colo-nial \kə-ˈlɒ-nē-əl/ *adj* 1: of, relating to, or char-
acteristic of a colony; *also*: possessing or composed
of colonies 2 *often cap*: of or relating to the original
13 colonies forming the U.S.

²colonial *n*: a member or inhabitant of a colony

colo-nial-ism \-ˈlɒ-niz-əm/ *n*: control by one power
over a dependent area or people; *also*: a policy ad-
vocating or based on such control — **colo-nial-ist**
\-ˈlɪst/ *n* or *adj*

colo-nise *Brit* var of COLONIZE

colo-nist \kə-ˈlɒ-nɪst/ *n* 1: COLONIAL 2: one that col-
onizes or settles in a new country

colo-nize \kə-ˈlɒ-nɪz/ *vb* **-nized; -nizing** 1: to estab-

or stray from a course or subject : DIVERGE — **divagation** \di-və-'gā-shən\ *n*

divan \di-'van, di-'van\ *n* : COUCH, SOFA

diver \div\ *vb* **dived** \divd\ or **dove** \dōv\; **dived**; **diving** 1 : to plunge into water headfirst 2 : SUBMERGE 3 : to come or drop down precipitously 4 : to descend in an airplane at a steep angle 5 : to plunge into some matter or activity 6 : DART, LUNGE — **diver** *n*

diver 1 : the act or an instance of diving 2 : a sharp decline 3 : a disreputable bar or place of amusement

diverge (dā-'vəj, di-'v) *vb* **diverged**; **diverging** 1 : to move or extend in different directions from a common point : draw apart 2 : to differ in character, form, or opinion 3 : DEVIATE 4 : DEFLECT — **divergence** \-vər-jəns\ *n* — **divergent** \-jənt\ *adj*

divers \di-'vərz\ *adj* : VARIOUS

diverse (di-'vərs, də-, 'di-'vərs\ *adj* 1 : UNLIKE 2 : composed of distinct forms or qualities — **diversely** *adv*

diversify \dā-'vər-sə-'fī, di-'v\ *vb* **-fied**; **-fying** : to make different or various in form or quality — **diversification** \-vər-sə-'fī-kā-shən\ *n*

diversion \dā-'vər-zhən, di-'v\ *n* 1 : a turning aside from a course, activity, or use : DEVIATION 2 : something that diverts or amuses : PASTIME

diversity \dā-'vər-sə-tē, di-'v\ *n*, *pl* **-ties** 1 : the condition of being diverse : VARIETY 2 : an instance of being diverse

divert \dā-'vərt, di-'v\ *vb* 1 : to turn from a course or purpose : DEFLECT 2 : DISTRACT 3 : ENTERTAIN, AMUSE

divest (di-'vest, də-'v\ *vb* 1 : to deprive or dispossess esp. of property, authority, or rights 2 : to strip esp. of clothing, ornament, or equipment

divide (dā-'vid\ *vb* **divided**; **dividing** 1 : SEPARATE; also : CLASSIFY 2 : CLEAVE, PART 3 : DISTRIBUTE, AP-PORTION 4 : to possess or make use of in common : share in 5 : to cause to be separate, distinct, or apart from one another 6 : to separate into opposing sides or parties 7 : to mark divisions on 8 : to subject to or use in mathematical division; also : to be used as a divisor with respect to 9 : to branch out

divide *n* : WATERSHED 1

dividend \di-'və-'dend\ *n* 1 : an individual share of something distributed 2 : BONUS 3 : a number to be divided 4 : a sum or fund to be divided or distributed

divider \dā-'vi-dər\ *n* 1 : one that divides (as a partition) (room ~) 2 *pl* : COMPASS 5

divination \di-'və-'nā-shən\ *n* 1 : the art or practice of using omens or magic powers to foretell the future 2 : unusual insight or intuitive perception

divine (dā-'vin\ *adj* **diviner**; **-est** 1 : of, relating to, or being God or a god 2 : supremely good : SUPERB; also : HEAVENLY — **divinely** *adv*

divine *n* 1 : CLERGYMAN 2 : THEOLOGIAN

divine *vb* **divined**; **divining** 1 : INFER, CONJECTURE 2 : PROPHECY 3 : DOWSE — **diviner** *n*

divining rod *n* : a forked rod believed to reveal the presence of water or minerals by dipping downward when held over a vein

divinity \dā-'vi-nə-tē\ *n*, *pl* **-ties** 1 : THEOLOGY 2 : the quality or state of being divine 3 : a divine being; esp : GOD 1

divisible \dā-'vi-zə-bəl\ *adj* : capable of being divid- ed — **divisibility** \-vi-zə-'bi-lə-tē\ *n*

division \dā-'vi-zhən\ *n* 1 : DISTRIBUTION, SEPARA- TION 2 : one of the parts or groupings into which a whole is divided 3 : DISAGREEMENT, DISUNITY 4 : something that divides or separates 5 : the mathe- matical operation of finding how many times one number is contained in another 6 : a large self- contained military unit 7 : an administrative or oper- ating unit of a governmental, business, or educational organization — **divisional** \-vi-zhə-nəl\ *adj*

divisive \dā-'vi-siv, -'vi-ziv\ *adj* : creating disunity or dissension — **divisively** *adv* — **divisiveness** *n*

divagation • docility

divisor \dā-'vi-zər\ *n* : the number by which a divi- dend is divided

divorce \dā-'vōrs\ *n* 1 : an act or instance of legally dissolving a marriage 2 : SEPARATION, SEVERANCE — **divorce** *vb* — **divorce-ment** *n*

divorcé \dā-'vōr-'sā\ *n* [F] : a divorced man

divorcée \dā-'vōr-'sā, -'sē\ *n* : a divorced woman

divot \di-'vət\ *n* : a piece of turf dug from a golf fair- way in making a stroke

divulge \dā-'vəl, di-'v\ *vb* **divulged**; **divulging** : RE- VEAL, DISCLOSE

Dixie-land \dik-'sē-'lānd\ *n* : jazz music in duple time played in a style developed in New Orleans

dizzy \di-'zē\ *adj* **diz-ier**; **-est** [ME *disy*, fr. OE *dysig* stupid] 1 : FOOLISH, SILLY 2 : having a sensation of whirling : GIDDY 3 : causing or caused by giddiness — **dizzily** \-zē-lē\ *adv* — **dizziness** \-zē-nəs\ *n*

DJ *n*, often not cap : DISC JOCKEY

dk *abbr* 1 dark 2 deck 3 dock

dl *abbr* deciliter

DLitt or **DLit** *abbr* [NL *doctor litterarum*] doctor of letters; doctor of literature

DLO *abbr* dead letter office

dm *abbr* decimeter

DMD *abbr* [NL *dentariae medicinae doctor*] doctor of dental medicine

DMZ *abbr* demilitarized zone

dn *abbr* down

DNA \dē-'(ə)en-'ā\ *n* : any of various nucleic acids that are usu. the molecular basis of heredity and are localized esp. in cell nuclei

do \dū\ *vb* **did** \did\; **done** \dōn\; **do-ing**; **does** \dəz\ 1 : to bring to pass : ACCOMPLISH 2 : ACT, BEHAVE (~ as I say) 3 : to be active or busy (up and ~ing) 4 : HAPPEN (what's ~ing?) 5 : to be engaged in the study or practice of : work at (he *does* tailoring) 6 : COOK (steak *done* rare) 7 : to put in order (as by cleaning or arranging) (~ the dishes) 8 : DECORATE (did the hall in blue) 9 : GET ALONG (~ well in school) 10 : CARRY ON, MANAGE 11 : RENDER (sleep will ~ you good) 12 : FINISH (when he had *done*) 13 : EXERT (did my best) 14 : PRODUCE (did a poem) 15 : to play the part of 16 : CHEAT (did him out of his share) 17 : TRAVERSE, TOUR 18 : TRAVEL 19 : to spend or serve out a period of time (did ten years in prison) 20 : SUFFICE, SUIT 21 : to be fitting or proper 22 : USE (doesn't ~ drugs) 23 — used as an auxiliary verb (1) before the subject in an interrogative sentence (*does* he work?) and after some adverbs (never *did* she say so), (2) in a negative statement (I *don't* know), (3) for emphasis (you ~ know), and (4) as a substitute for a preceding predicate (he works harder than I ~) — **do-able** \dū-'ə-bəl\ *adj* — **do away with** 1 : to put an end to 2 : DESTROY, KILL — **do by** : to deal with : TREAT (did right by her) — **do for** : to bring about the death or ruin of — **do the trick** : to produce a desired result

do 1 : AFFAIR, PARTY 2 : a command or entreaty to do something (list of ~s and don'ts) 3 : HAIRDO

do *abbr* ditto

DOA *abbr* dead on arrival

DOB *abbr* date of birth

dob-bin \dā-'bən\ *n* [Dobbin, nickname for Robert] 1 : a farm horse 2 : a quiet plodding horse

Doberman pinscher \dō-'bər-mən-'pin-cher\ *n* : a short-haired medium-sized dog of a breed of German origin

do-bra \dō-'brə\ *n* — see MONEY table

doc \dāk\ *n* : DOCTOR

doc *abbr* document

do-cent \dōs-'nt, dōt-'sent\ *n* [obs. G (now Dozent), fr. L *docens*, prp. of *docere* to teach] : TEACHER, LEC- Turer; also : a person who leads a guided tour

docile \dā-'səl\ *adj* [L *docilis*, fr. *docere* to teach] : easily taught, led, or managed : TRACTABLE — **doc-ility** \dā-'si-lə-tē\ *n*