

# redundancy

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re·dun·dan·cy | \ ri-'dʌn-dən(t)-sē \  
plural redundancies

## Definition of *redundancy*

- 1a : the quality or state of being [redundant](#) : [superfluity](#)
- b : the use of redundant components also : such components
- c chiefly British : dismissal from a job especially by layoff
- 2 : [profusion](#), [abundance](#)
- 3a : superfluous repetition : [prolixity](#)
- b : an act or instance of needless repetition
- 4 : the part of a message that can be eliminated without loss of essential information

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# under

## [adverb](#)

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un·der | \ 'ən-dər \

## Definition of *under*

(Entry 1 of 3)

- 1 : in or into a position below or beneath something
- 2 : below or short of some quantity, level, or limit \$10 or under —often used in combination *understaffed*
- 3 : in or into a condition of subjection, subordination, or unconsciousness put the patient under for surgery
- 4 : down to defeat, ruin, or death weaker competitors will be forced under
- 5 : so as to be covered buried under by the avalanche

under

## [preposition](#)

Definition of *under* (Entry 2 of 3)

- 1 : below or beneath so as to be overhung, surmounted, covered, protected, or concealed by under sunny skies a soft heart under a stern exterior under cover of darkness
- 2a : subject to the authority, control, guidance, or instruction of served under the general under the terms of the contract a program that runs under any operating system
- b : receiving or [undergoing](#) the action or effect of under pressure courage under fire under the influence of alcoholthe image of a point under a mapping under oath
- 3a : within the group or designation of under this heading
- b : having as name or title traveling under an alias
- 4 : less or lower than (as in size, amount, or rank) especially : falling short of a standard or required degree underthe legal age under par

under

## [adjective](#)

Definition of *under* (Entry 3 of 3)

- 1a : lying or placed below, beneath, or on the ventral side —often used in combination the ocean's undercurrentsthe underside of a car
- b : facing or protruding downward —often used in combination the undersurface of a leaf
- 2 : lower in rank or authority : [subordinate](#) —often used in combination the undersecretary of defense
- 3 : lower than usual, proper, or desired in amount, quality, or degree —often used in combination undernourished children

# by

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\ 'bī ˌ, before consonants also bə \

## Definition of *by*

(Entry 1 of 5)

1 : in proximity to : [near](#) standing by the window

2a : into the vicinity of and beyond : [past](#) went right by him

b : through or through the medium (see [medium entry 1 sense 2](#)) of : [via](#) enter by the door

c : in the direction of : [toward](#) sailed north by east

3a : during the course of studied by night

b : not later than be there by 2 p.m.

4a : through the agency (see [agency sense 3](#)) or instrumentality of a poem written by Keats death by firing squad taken by force happened by luck

b : born or [begot](#) of had two sons by his first wife one child by her second husband

c : sired or borne by having foals by champion race horses

5 : with the witness or sanction (see [sanction entry 1 sense 4c](#)) of swear by all that is holy

6a : in conformity with acted by the rules

b : [according to](#) called her by name sold by the pound

7 —used as a function word in multiplication, in division, and in measurements divide a by b multiply 10 by 4a room 15 feet by 20 feet

8a : with respect to a lawyer by profession

b : on behalf of did right by his children

9 : in or to the amount or extent of win by a nose

b chiefly Scotland : in comparison with : [beside](#)

10 —used as a function word to indicate successive units or increments little by little walk two by two

11 : in the opinion of : from the point of view of OK by me

by the by or by the bye

: [incidentally sense 2](#)

# enforce

[verb](#)

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en·force | \ in- 'fɔrs , en- \  
enforced; enforcing; enforces

## Definition of *enforce*

[transitive verb](#)

- 1 : to give force to : [strengthen](#)
- 2 : to urge with energy enforce arguments
- 3 : [constrain](#), [compel](#) enforce obedience
- 4 obsolete : to effect or gain by force
- 5 : to carry out effectively enforce laws

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adjective

enforcement \ in- 'fɔr-smənt , en- \  
noun

## Synonyms for *enforce*

Synonyms

- [administer](#),
- [apply](#),
- [execute](#),
- [implement](#)

# mechanism

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mech·a·nism | \ 'me-kə-,ni-zəm \

## Definition of *mechanism*

1a : a piece of machinery (see [machinery sense 1](#)) The camera's shutter mechanism is broken.

b : a process, technique, or system for achieving a result the mechanisms of peace— F. D. Roosevelt

2 : [mechanical](#) operation or action : [working sense 2](#) he acknowledges nothing besides matter and motion; so that all must be performed either by mechanism or by accident— Richard Bentley

3 : a doctrine that holds natural processes (as of life) to be [mechanically](#) determined and capable of complete explanation by the laws of physics and chemistry

4 : the fundamental processes involved in or responsible for an action, reaction, or other natural [phenomenon](#) meteorologists believe that this pressure jump is the mechanism responsible for storms and tornadoes — *Think*

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# provide

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pro·vide | \ prə-'vīd \_\  
provided; providing

## Definition of *provide*

[transitive verb](#)

- 1a : to supply or make available (something wanted or needed) *provided* new uniforms for the band also : [afford](#)curtains provide privacy
- b : to make something available to provide the children with free balloons
- 2 : to have as a condition : [stipulate](#) the contract provides that certain deadlines will be met
- 3 archaic : to prepare in advance

[intransitive verb](#)

- 1 : to make preparation to meet a need provide for entertainment especially : to supply something for sustenance or support provides for the poor
- 2 : to make a [proviso](#) or stipulation the Constitution ... provides for an elected two-chamber legislature — *Current Biography*
- 3 : to take precautionary measures provide for the common defense — *U.S. Constitution*

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