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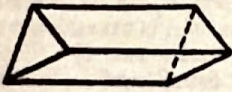
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print'ing *n.* 1 production of printed books, etc. 2 copies of a book printed at one time 3 block letters, etc., each written separately
print'ing press *n.* machine for printing from inked types, plates, etc.
print'out *n.* computer output in printed form
pri-or / pri'ər / adj. 1 earlier 2 coming before in time, order, or importance —*adv.* 3 (foll. by *to*) before —*n.* (*fem.* *pri'or-essa*) 4 superior of a religious house or order [L: earlier]
pri-or-i-ty / pri'ər'ətē, -ər' / n. (*pl.* *-ties*) 1 thing regarded as more important than others 2 right to be first; precedence —**pri-or'i-tize' / -tīz / v.** (*-tized, -tīz-ing*) [MedL, rel. to PRIOR]
pri-or-y / pri'ərē / n. (*pl.* *-ries*) monastery governed by a prior or nunnery governed by a prioress [AngFr and MedL, rel. to PRIOR]
prise / priz / v. var. of PRIZE²



PRISM 1

prism / prizəm / n. 1 solid figure whose two ends are equal parallel rectilinear figures and whose sides are parallelograms 2 transparent body in this form, usu. triangular, that separates white light into a spectrum of colors —**pris-mat'ic / -mat'ik / adj.** [Gk *prisma* *-mat*-thing sawn]
pris-on / prizən / n. 1 place of confinement for convicted criminals or persons awaiting trial 2 custody; confinement [L *prehendere* seize]
pris'on camp' n. 1 camp for prisoners of war 2 camplike prison, with minimum security and restriction
pris'on-er n. 1 person kept in prison 2 person or thing confined by illness, another's domination, etc. [AngFr, rel. to PRISON]
pris-sy / pris'ē / adj. (*-si-er, -si-est*) prim; prudish —**pris'si-ly adv.**; **pris'si-ness n.** [perh. fr. PRIM, SISSY]
pris-tine / pristēn' / adj. 1 in its original condition; unspoiled 2 spotless; fresh as if new [L *pristinus* former]
pri-va-cy / pri'vəsē / n. 1a being private and undisturbed b right to this 2 freedom from intrusion or public attention
pri-va-te / pri'vat' / adj. 1 belonging to an individual; one's own; personal 2 confidential (*private talks*) 3 kept or removed from public knowledge or observation 4 not open to the public 5 secluded 6 (of a person) not holding public office or an official position —*n.* 7 *Milit.* lowest-ranking enlisted soldier 8 (*pl.*) genitals 9 in private privately —**pri-va-te-ly adv.** [L *privare* deprive]
pri'va-te de-tec'tive n. professional detective for hire by private individuals
pri'va-te en'ter-prise n. businesses not under state control
pri'va-te eye' n. Slang. PRIVATE DETECTIVE
pri'va-te parts' n. *pl.* Euphem. genitals
pri'va-te sec'tor n. the part of the economy free of direct governmental control

pri-va-tion / privā'shən / n. lack of the comforts or necessities of life [L, rel. to PRIVATE]
pri-va-tize / pri'vətīz / v. (*-ized, -iz-ing*) transfer (a business, etc.) from governmental to private ownership —**pri'va-ti-za'tion n.**
priv-et / priv'it' / n. bushy evergreen shrub used for hedges
priv-i-lege / priv'(ə)lij / n. 1 right, advantage, or immunity 2 special benefit or honor (*a privilege to meet you*) —*v.* (*-leged, -leg-ing*) 3 invest with a privilege —**priv'i-leged adj.** [L, rel. to PRIVY, *lex leg-law*]
priv-y / priv'ē / adj. 1 (foll. by *to*) sharing in the secret of (a person's plans, etc.) 2 *Archaic.* hidden; secret —*n.* (*pl.* *-ies*) 3 out-house [Fr *privé* private place]
prize¹ / priz / n. 1 something won in a competition, lottery, etc. 2 reward given as a symbol of victory or superiority 3 something worth striving for —*adj.* 4 excellent of its kind —*v.* (**prized, priz-ing**) 5 value highly [Fr, rel. to PRAISE]
prize² v. (also **prise**) (**prized, priz-ing**) force open or out by leverage [Fr fr. L *prehendere* seize]
prize'fight' n. boxing match fought for a prize of money —**prize'fight'er n.**
prize'win-ner n. winner of a prize —**prize'win'ning adj.**
pro¹ / prō / n. (*pl.* *pros*) professional [abbr.]
pro² adj. 1 for; in favor —*n.* (*pl.* *pros*) 2 reason in favor —*prep.* 3 in favor of [L: for; on behalf of]
pro-¹ prefix 1 favoring or supporting (*pro-government*) 2 acting as a substitute or deputy for (*pronoun*) 3 forward (*produce*) 4 forward and downward (*prostrate*) 5 onward (*progress*) 6 in front of (*protect*) [L *pro* in front (of)]
pro-² prefix before in time, place, order, etc. [Gk *pro* before]
pro-ac-tive / prō-ak'tiv / adj. (of a person, policy, etc.) taking the initiative [fr. PRO-², after REACTIVE]
prob. abbr. 1 probable; probably 2 problem
prob-a-bil-i-ty / prāb'əbəl'ətē / n. (*pl.* *-ties*) 1 being probable 2 likelihood of something happening 3 probable or most probable event 4 *Stat.* extent to which an event is likely to occur, expressed as the ratio of the actual cases to the total number of possible cases 5 in all probability most probably
prob-a-ble / prāb'əbəl / adj. 1 expected to happen or prove true; likely —*n.* 2 probable candidate, member of a team, etc. —**prob-a-bly adv.** [L, rel. to PROVE]
pro-bate / prō'bāt' / adj. designating a judge, court, etc., authorized to establish the legal validity of documents, as wills [L *probare* PROVE]
pro-ba-tion / prōbā'shən / n. 1 *Law.* system of supervising the behavior in society of criminal offenders 2 period of testing, as for a new employee, etc. —**pro-ba'tion-ary / -erē / adj.** [L, rel. to PROVE]
pro-ba-tion-er / prōbā'shən-ər / n. person on probation
pro-ba'tion of'fi-cer n. official supervising offenders on probation
probe / prōb / n. 1 penetrating investigation 2 small device for measuring, testing, etc. 3 surgical exploratory instrument 4 (in full space' probe') unmanned exploratory space-