**Oo**

O, o /oʊ/ n (pl O’s, o’s /əʊz/) 1 Mirang (English) cagf a hleingnanak: There are two O’s in Oxford. 2 O-pianhmang nei: The child’s mouth formed a big O in suprise. 3 telephone tivek ih nambat aw suak ih siar tikah hmanmi, lolak tinak: ‘My number is siz o double three’, ie 6033. o ‘He’s in room one o two,’ ie 102. Usage at nought.

O, oh /oʊ/ interj 1 lungawinak, riahisatnak tiθnak, nat tuarnak ruangih rin lo awsunak: Oh look! 2 Maw! Pathian!; minung tivek biak tikih hmanmi: O, God our help in ages past ○ O Zeus! o /əʊ/ prep (used esp in certain compound phrases) of: 3 o’clock ○ man- o’war ○ will-o’the-wisp.

oaf /əʊf/ n (pl oafs) mihnik, mi laklakhir, ti hnuahini (mipa a sawhkhii thueu): Why did she marry that great oaf?

○ oafish behaviour

oak /əʊk/ n (a) (also oak-tree) [C] thiil thing: a forest of oaks ○ [attrib] on oak forest. (b) hih thing-ab: The table is (of) solid oak. ○ [attrib] oak panels ○ an oak table. 2 the Oaks (sing v) London kiang Epsom ih kintuh thueu rang tlan zuammik hmin. 3 (idm) big tall/great/large oaks from little acorns grow

○ oak apple

○ oak-apple

○ oak-leaf

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○ oaks /əʊks/ n 1 [pl, sometimes sing v] khawsik hluhih cinmi sangph unt hphih: Give the horse some oaks. ○ Oats is a crop grown widely in Europe. 2 [sing or pl v] oats thawn suammi cencerh: Is/Are there porridge oasts on the breakfast menu? ○ 3 (idm) feel one’s oats ○ feel1. be getting one’s oats (infml) mipa nunai pawlawknak nei thueu. (be) off one’s oats (infml) rawl hiarnak nei lo: He’s been a bit off his oasts since his illness. sow one’s wild oats ○ sow2.


○ obligato /əʊˈbɪɡətəʊ/ n (pl ~s or -ti/-ti/ -ti/-ti/) (music) a thuipinak a suah tertu a bawmuth zawn: with piano obligato.

○ obedient /əˈbɪdjənt/ adj thil tuah (luamnak) tivek ih teller veni.

○ obedience /əˈbɪdəns/ n [U] upatnak, qihzahnak:

○ obediently adv: He was obedient, and the dog came obediently.
obese /ˈɒbɪs/ adj (fat or medical) (of people or animals) a) fat or overweight; b) fat, humourous, or silly. 2. (adj or noun) a) fat or overweight; b) fat, humorous, or silly: obesity is a problem for many people in Western countries.

object /ˈɒbjɪkt/ v [trans] 1. [attrib] (a) to put something into a place or position so that it is visible, accessible, or available: I placed my books on the shelf. 2. [nontrans] (a) to focus one's attention on something: I object to the plan on the grounds that it is too expensive. 3. [attrib] (a) to direct one's attention on something: I object to the plan on the grounds that it is too expensive.

object /ˈɒbjɪkt/ (n) [attrib] 1. [trans] to intend to do something: Our main objective was to show that the changes were necessary. 2. [nontrans] an objective: an objective framework.
obsequious

Obligated to help.  ○ We were obligated to attend the opening ceremony.

obligation /ˈoblɪdʒən/ n 1 [C] tuah tengteng dingh phutmì daan, nunzìa, thukam: the obligations of conscience ○ the obligations imposed by parenthood ○ repay/fulfil an obligation, eg by returning hospitality that one has received.  2 [C, U] tuah dingh hneekìmi, fialmi: We attended the party more out of a sense of obligation than anything else.  3 (idm) be under an obligation (to sb/to do sth) daan ih phutmì; mahte tuah tìti ih theihmi: You’re under an obligation to pay for goods which you ordered. ○ She’s under an obligation to him because he lent her money. place: put sb under an/no obligation (to sb/to do sth) hramham in daan vekih tuahhì; hramham in lhungwinak sìmì; baamìi nihe: Damaging the goods puts you under an obligation to buy them. ○ His kindness places us under an obligation to him.

obligatory /ˈoblɪdʒərəri/ adj [usu pred] ○ (to sth) ngaihven lo; hliah lo; ciing lo: obligatory of one’s surroundings ○ obligatory to what was happening. ○ obligatory to danger. ○ obligatory n [U].


obloquy /ˈobləkwɪ/ n [U] (fml) ningzhà mualphò tèrnak.

obnoxious /ˈɒbznəks/ adj fih-nungzà, borthihlawmì: obnoxious behaviour ○ He is the most obnoxious man I know. ○ obliterated by the tornado.

obliterate /ˈɔblɪtəreɪt/ /ˈəblɪtərət/ v 1 [fig] fihningza; (thinlung, tôngkam, cabu, zuklim vi vek pawl in) a thiang lòmì (a hleice in zhawmhw thìl): obscene phone calls ○ obscene suggestions, gestures, etc ○ obscene literature, language, etc. ○ obscenely adv.


obscure /ˈɒbskjʊər/ adj 1 ole te fiangte ih hmuh their lo, theih thei lòmì; a fianglì lòmì, a thup swmì: an obscure corner of the garden ○ Is the meaning still obscure to you? ○ His real motive for the crime remains obscure.  2 limì thang lo; mi ih theih tuk lòmì: an obscure poet ○ an obscure village in the country. ○ obscure v [Tn] thup, fiang loter: The moon was obscured by clouds ○ Mist obscured the view. ○ The main theme of the book is obscured by frequent digressions.

obscurely adv.

obscurity /ˈɒbskjʊərəti/ n 1 [U] lang lo ih um: content to live in obscurity.  2 [C] (fml) a fiang lo, a lang lòmì thìl: a philosophical essay full of obscurities.

obsequies /ˈɒbskwɪz/ n [pl] (fml) mithì vihnìk. ○ obsequious /ˈɒbsekjuəs/ /ˈəbsekjuəs/ adj (derog) ○ (to sb) (miθi: miθa: laksawng ngah duh ruanghì) mi tìzhìh upat duhbtukìmi, rìan duhbtukì: an obsequious shop owner ○ a worker who is obsequious to the boss.

obsequiously adv: obsequiously flattering. ○ obsequiously n [U].
observable /əˈbzɜːrəbəl/ adj [usu attrib] hmuh theih, zoh theih, zohliiah tlakmi: an observable lack of enthusiasm □ an observable improvement.

observance /əˈbzɜːrvəns/ n 1 [U] — (of sth) dan; nunphhung, zungpipit, tlawngpipit tivek pawl ulhnak, thlunnak: the observance of school rules □ the observance of New Year’s Day as a public holiday. 2 [C] (fml) biaknak kalhming le tuah dan hrekkhah thlunnak: religious observances.

observant /əˈbzɜːrvənt/ adj 1 ol te’n thil a hmuhliiah theimi: An observant shop assistant had remembered exactly what the man was wearing. □ Journalist are trained to be observant. 2 (fml) daan le nunphhung thlunnak ah a raiyling; observant of the rules. □ observantly adv.

observation /əˈbzɜːrveɪʃn/ n 1 [U] zohliiahnak, hmisinnak, hmungahnak: observation of an animal’s behaviour □ observation of a patient □ We escaped observation, ie we were not seen. 2 [U] thil hmuh thlunnak pourers of observation □ A scientist’s observation should very good. 3 [C] hmuh daan: She made one or two observations about the weather. 4 observations [pl] (fml) thu lakkhawm: He published his observations on British bird life. 5 (idm) be under observation: He was closely watched by the police. keep sb under observation railing zet in zoh, kil: The patriot is seriously ill and is being kept under continuous observation. take an observation umnak hmun theihfiangnak dingah ni le arsi pawl zoh.

observation car khurkhua connak sangkate kaupi a neimi tlangleng.

observation post ral pawl ih umnak le cangyah dan thlirnak hmun: an observation post in a border fortress.

observatory /əˈbzɜːrvətɔrɪ; US -ˈtɔrtʃ/ n arsi pawl, nikhua tivek thlirnak (zohnak) impi.

observe /əˈbzɜːrv/ v 1 [I, Tn, Ti Tw, Tnt only passive, Tng, Tnl] zohliiah: He observes keenly, but says little. □ observe the behaviour of birds □ She observed that he’d left but made no comment. □ They observed how the tiny wings were fitted to the body. □ The woman was observed to follow him closely. □ The police observed the man entering/entering the bank. 2 [Tn] (fml) (a) dan le nunphhung thlun: observe the speed limit □ observe the laws of the land. (b) (biaknak, suahni, puai, campha) ul, lawm, cawimawi: Do they observe Christmas Day in that country? 3 [Tn, Tfl] (fml) hmuhdan simphum: He observed that it would probably rain. □ ‘It may rain’ he observed. □ observer n 1 zohliiahhu, hlakhblatu, zohfeltu, cingkengtu: an observer of nature □ a poor observer of speed restrictions. 2 thurel khawmnak (meeting) tel ding a si lo na’n a tel ih thu a ngai vetu: an observer at a summit conference □ send sb along as an observer.

obsess /əˈbɪses/ v [Tn usu passive] thilnuh a luah, a ciah: The fear of death obsessed her through her old age. □ obsessed by/with the fear of unemployment □ She was obsessed with the idea that she was being watched. □ obsession /əˈbɪses/ n □ with/about sth/sb 1 [U] thinlung luahnak: His obsession with computers began six months ago. 2 [C] a luahthu thil/mila: He has many obsessions. obsessional /əˈbɪʃənl/ adj (derog) thinlung luah ko ih tuah, luahther: obessional thoughts □ an obessional character.

obsessive /əˈbɪsesɪv/ adj (derog) a thinlung luahmi: an obsessive concern for neatness □ She’s obsessive about punctuality.

obsolete /əˈbɑːsələt/ adj san man nawn lo; hman-awk tha nawn lo: obsolete technology □ Electronic equipment quickly becomes obsolete.

obsolescence /ˌəbəˈsɛlsəns/ n [U] hman ding tha lo sinak: a product with built-in/planned obsolescence, ie deliberately designed by the manufacturer not to last long, so that consumers are encouraged to buy again.

obsolete /əˈbɑːsəlt/ adj hman nawn lomi; san man nawn lomi: obsolete words found in old texts □ The horse-drown plough is now obsolete in most European countries.

obstacle /ˈɒbstʃəl/ n (usu fig) dawkhawmaltu: obstacles on the race-course □ obstacles to world peace □ Not being able to pass his mathematics exam proved an obstacle to his career.

obstacle course (also obstreperous) /ˈɒbstʃəkl/ nau neihnak a bikih ziru sibawi: Her obstreperous could not present at the birth.

obstetrician /ˈɒbstətrɪkən/ n [sing pl] (medical) nau neihnak thaw a pehparmi sii (asilole) rainak: gynaecology and obstetrics □ She specializes in obstetrics.

obstetric /ˈɒbstrɛtrɪk/ (also obstetrical /-krəl/) nau neihnak thaw a pehparmi: the obstetric ward □ obstetrical complications.

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obstinae /ˈɒbstɪnəʊs/ n [U] lungruhnak, lunghaknak: His obstinacy was irritating. □ Sheer obstinacy prevented her from apologizing.

obstinate /ˈɒbstɪneɪt/ adj 1 lungruhn, lunghak; ruahnak thleng duh lo: The obstinate old man refused to go to hospital. □ There’s a very obstinate streak in that child, ie Some of his behaviour is very obstinate. 2 of te ih neh thei
obstinate

obstinate /əbˈsterɪnt/ adj (fml) 1 stubborn ○ He became obstinate when he’s had a few drinks.

obstinacy 

obstination /əbˈstɪnəʃən/ n [U].

obstruct /əbˈstrʌkt/ v (a) [Tn, Tn-pr] ~ sth (with sth) lamzin kham: Tall trees obstructed his view of the road. ○ He was charged with obstructing the highway. (b) [Tn] mi pikhat thanso ding kham; a lamzin dawnkham: obstruct the police in the course of their duty ○ obstruct a player on the football field ○ obstruct the passage of a bill through Parliament, ie try to prevent a law being passed.

obstruction /əbˈstrʌkʃən/ n 1 [U] khamnak: obstruction of the factory gates ○ obstruct the passage of a bill through Parliament, ie try to prevent a law being passed.

obstructionism /əbˈstrʌkʃənɪzəm/ n [U] (fml) dawnkham dingh kawhkan dawnkham: The government were defeated by the obstructionism of their opponents.

obstructionist /əbˈstrʌkʃənist/ n (fml) dawnkhamkham duhlu; tawlbrew: a political obstructionist ○ an obstructionist policy.

obstructive /əbˈstrʌktɪv/ adj dawnkham dingh tumtabmi; siat thu: deliberately obstructive ○ a policy obstructive to our plans.

obstructively adv.

obtain /əbˈteɪn/ 1 [Tn, Dn-pr] ~ sth (for sb) ngah, co,nei: Where can I obtain a copy of her latest book? ○ He always manages to obtain what he wants. ○ I obtained this record for you with difficulty. 2 [I] (fml) (of rules, customs, etc) thilm roero laimi (daan, nunzai): The practice always obtains in some areas of England.

obtainable adj ngah theihmi: no longer obtainable ○ Are his records still obtainable?

obtrude /əbˈtrud/ v [I, Tpr, Tn, Tn-pr] ~ oneself ~ sth (on/upon sb/sth) (fml) mi parih thunhei hmang; mi thu thilak duh: I’ve no wish to obtrude, but ... ○ He persisted in obtruding himself despite our efforts to get rid of him.

obstruction /əbˈstrʌkʃən/ n 1 [U] (fml) mi thu thilaknu: the obstruction of unwelcome guests. 2 [C] mi thu thilaktu, thunhawtlu: unwelcome obtrusions.

obtrusively /əbˈtrʌsɪvli/ adv.

obtrusiveness n [U].

obtuse /əbˈtjuːs/ US -təs/ adj (fml derog) thu thei thei lo, mi-aa; (naam) a bulmi: His nervousness was obvious right from the start. ○ It was obvious to everyone that the child had been badly treated. ○ Spending less money is the obvious answer to his financial problems.

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obverse /əbˈvɜːrs/ n (fml) 1 that side of a coin opposite to the obverse or reverse; the other side ○ The head of the Queen appear on the obverse of British coins. Cf reverse 2. 3 [Tn, Tn-pr] mi pakhat a qhanso ding khatlam qangih lehmi a dik lo thil pakhatkhat a qhawn; (harsatnak, thi phannak) thawn hlo: obviates dangers, difficulties, etc ○ The new road obviates the need to drive through the town. ○ obvious /əbˈvɪzɪəs/ adj olie ih mhuhtthei, thei thei, ciken thei; a flangfaijin: His nervousness was obvious right from the start.

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ocarina /oʊˈkærɪnə/ n a wind instrument often played by blowing into a tube with the lips

occur /əˈkɜːr/ v (fml) 1 to happen, when it is expected or possible; to come about ○ Perhaps it’s more common at night. ○ It’s not uncommon for problems to occur in the spring.

occasion /əˈkeɪʃn/ n 1 [C] thil pakkhatka a cangmii caan caan khat: on this/that occasion ○ on the present/last occasion ○ on one occasion, ie once ○ on rare occasions ○ I’ve met him on several occasions. 2 [sing] ~ (for sth) caan remcaang; caan qha: His nervousness was obvious right from the start. ○ It was obvious to everyone that the child had been badly treated. ○ Spending less money is the obvious answer to his financial problems.

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sb (fml) thil a canger; a suah ter: What occasioned such an angry response? o Stephen’s behaviour occasioned his parents much anxiety.

NOTE ON USAGE: Occasion, opportunity and chance all indicate a time when it is possible to do something. Occasion suggests the time is socially suitable for the activity: A wedding is an occasion for celebration. o I’ll speak to him if the occasion arises. Opportunity and chance suggest that the necessary physical circumstances for doing something are present: I took the opportunity of visiting my aunt while I was in Birmingham. o I hope you get a chance to relax. Chance can also indicate a degree of probability: What are your chances of being promoted? Occasion may refer to the particular time when something happens: I’ve met her on several occasions recently.

occasional /o’kərsənl/ adj [usu attrib] 1 a ringring si loin a lak caan caan ah: He pays me occasional visits. o There will be occasional showers during the day. o I drink an occasional cup of coffee; but usually I take tea. o He reads the occasional book, but mostly just magazines. 2 (fml) caan lielie hranghi hmanmi, ngannmi, a simi: occasional verses, eg written to celebrate an anniversary o occasional music for a royal wedding.

> occasionally -/ənəl/ adv a caancaan ah: He visits me occasionally.

□ occasional table a jul naknak ih hmanmi cabuai: The coffee cups were placed on an antique occasional table.

Occident /əskədənt/ n the Occident [sing] (fml) nitalam ram pawl, ie Europe and America. Cf orient.

> Occidental /əskədəntl/ n (fml) nitalam ram minung.

occidental adj nitalam ram in, thawn pehpar in.

occur /ək’sərl/; US ak’sərl/ adj (a) thiamnak le hahum a leheh ieh pei pawl hran angawgh; thuhmi, thiil thup: occur practices. (b) hnam, dai tivek thiamnak pawl thawn a pehparmi: occult arts, eg witchcraft.

> the occult n dai le hnam cam thiamnak: He’s interested in the occult.

occultist n (fml) lehnam le dai tivek pawl zuamtu, a tuahtu.

occupant /ək’spənt/ n ram, inn khaan, hnaquan hmun hmanmi a luahtu: The previous occupants had left the house in a terrible mess. o the next occupant of the post.

> occupancy -/ən’paʊns/ n 1 [U] hmun, inn luahtu: a change of occupancy. 2 sole occupancy of the house. 2 [C] hmun (asliole) inn luahtu, luaht sung: an occupancy of six months

> During her occupancy the garden was transformed.

occupation /ə’kjən/ 1 [U] hmun pakhat luahtu: the occupation of a house by a family. (b) ram pakhat laak ih luaht: a country under enemy occupation. o an army of occupation. 2 [C] ram, inn, hmun hman luahe tikeu, luahe kuul (caan) sung: their four-year occupation of the farm. 3 [C] (a) (fml) hnaqat, puncawanpakhat hnaqat: ‘What’s your occupation?’ ‘I’m a dancer.’ o Please state your name, age and occupation. (b) mi pakhat ih caan (lawng caan) a luahtu: She has many occupations including gardening and wine-making. o His favourite occupation is reading.

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occupier /ək’spərə(ə)r/ n ram (hmunhuma) asliole inn a luahtu (a bikin a laangte ih luahtu): The letter was addressed to the occupier of the house.

occupy /ək’spəri/ v (pt, pp -pied) 1 [Tn] lua, um, nei: They occupy the house next door. o The family have occupied the farm for many years.

2 [Tn] (ram, hmunhuma, etc) laak ih ralkap pawl in luauchih, long: The army occupied the enemy’s capital. 3 [Tn] (tikeu caan, hmunhuma, thinlung, etc) luaht, khahter: The speeches occupied three hours. o A bed occupied the corner of the room.

□ her time is fully occupied with her three children. o Many problems occupied his mind.

4 [Tn, Tn-pr] - oneself (in doing sth with sth) manlo zet, caan neilo zet ih um: How does he occupy himself now he’s retired? o The child occupied himself in playing his flute. 5 [Tn] (hnaqat thupi pakhat) juan, ngah: My sister occupies an important position in the Department of the Environment. 6 [Tn] buainak, duahsaknak ruangih hmun pakhat luaht kha: The terrorists have occupied the Embassy.

> the striking workers have occupied the whole building.

> occupied adj [pred] 1 luah zo, hmanag lai: This table is already occupied. o Usage at lauyvi.

2 = (in doing sth with sth) manlo, caan neilo; buai: She’s occupied at this moment; she cannot speak to you. o He’s fully occupied in looking after three small children.
occurrence /ækˈsɜːrns/ n 1 [U] the happening or occurrence of something 2 [C] the state or condition of being existent or happening 3 (idm) be of frequent, rare, common occurrence (fml) a thing that occurs frequently 4 (abuse) an occurrence of an event or incident 5 (idiom) a drop in the ocean

o'clock /ˈɔklock/ adv (used with the numbers 1 to 12 when stating the time, to specify an hour) 12 o'clock: go to bed at 11 o'clock.

odd /əd/ adj (also odder -iest) 1 (also odd) a large number of people will attend. 2 (also odd) an everyday occurrence 3 (idm) a drop in the bucket/ocean

octave /ˈɒkt,v/ n 1 (music) a note which is an octave above or below another note 2 a range of notes forming a complete cycle of pitches

octagon /ˈɒkt,ɡn/ n (also octagonal) a polygon with eight sides and eight angles

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odder /ˈɑdər/ adj (also odder -est) 1 a landang: a keel lo; hawi zawng lo; laklawh: What an odd man! 2 She wears rather odd clothes. 3 She gets odder as she grows older. 4 (also odd) abbr oct, octavo.

oddity /ˈɑdəti/ n (used with the numbers 1 to 12 when stating the time, to specify an hour) 12 o'clock: go to bed at 11 o'clock.
oddit

zenthwii lomi nambat: 1, 3, 5, and 7 are odd numbers. 3 [usu attrib] (no comparative or superlative) a khuah, a kim, a bur sung pakhat laklawh (hlei): an odd shoe/sock/glove  o two odd volumes of an encyclopedia. You’re wearing odd socks, ie two that do not form a pair. (b) biah-mi; a hlemi; a taangmi. She made a cushion out of odd bits of material. 4 (no comparative or superlative; usu placed directly after a number) malte tam deu: five hundred odd, ie slightly more than 500 o thirty odd (ie between 30 and 40) years later o twelve pounds odd, ie £12 and some pence extra. 5 [attrib] (no comparative or superlative) caan khiah um lo; a lak caan caan ah: weed the garden at odd times/moments, ie at various irregular moments o I take the odd bit of exercise, but nothing regular. o The landscape was bare except for the odd cactus. o Do you have an odd minute o one out? o There’s always an odd one out when I sort out my socks. o That boy is always the odd man out when the children are divided into teams. (b) a dang hnak a lamdangmi minung/thil: Banana, grape, apple — which of these is the odd one out? (c) (infml) ruajli lakah a tlem thei lomi; pawlkom sungah remcaang ih a um theilmi: At school she always felt the odd one out. o His formal clothes made him the odd one out in the club. o oddly lamdang, hleice, hawizawng lo um daa: behave oddly o be oddly dressed o She looked at him very oddly. o oddly enough, we were just talking about the same thing. oddness n [U] lamdang zet le hleice zet sinak: the oddness of her appearance o His oddness frightened her. o oddball n (infml) a lamdangmi minung: mi laklawh: The new boss is a bit of an oddball. o odd jobs midang hrangih juami hnaatjan terek pawl: He did odd jobs around the house during his holiday. o The man does odd jobs in my father’s garden. odd job man /man/ man phahlmi tukanternak Juantu. odd-looking adj phundang zet le zoh remlo: an odd-looking house o She’s rather odd-looking. oddity /’odt/ n [U] (also oddness) le hleice zet sinak; laklawhnan: I was puzzled by the oddity of her behaviour. 2[C] midang hnak hleice le lamdang thil tuah, thil cang: a grammatical oddity o He is something of an oddity in the neighbourhood, ie unusual in some ways. oddment /’odmt/ n (usu pl) a taangmi; hlahmi thil: a chair sold as an oddment at the end of the sale o a patchwork quilt made out of oddments. Cf ODDS AND ENDS (ODDS).

odds /’ods/ n [pl] 1 a si theimi, a cang theimi thi: The odds are in your favour (ie You are likely to succeed) because you have more experience. o The odds are against him, ie He’s unlikely to succeed. o The odds are that (ie It’s probable that) she’ll win. 2 a cak sawmni; a tam sawmni: a victory against overwhelming odds o They were fighting against heavy odds, ie a much stronger enemy. 3 (in betting) thapmi paiss le neh asi ne ngang; paiss a dan awknak: The horse is running at odds of ten to one. o The odds are five to one on that horse. o I bet three pounds on a horse running at twenty to one and won sixty pounds! 4 (idm) against (all) the odds dodal tu cakzet le remcaang lozet um hman sehla: Against all the odds she achieved her dream of becoming a ballerina. be at odds (with sb) (over/on sth) thil pakhat khat par lungkim thang lo; thu eel aw; to-aw: They’re constantly at odds with each other. o He’s always at odds with his father over politics. even chances/odds /‘end/ o even money o even! give/receive odds (sport) a cakdeuh ih neh har dingin lek thok pekte ah hmat ngah (bawlung asilole goal ngah). have the cards/odds stacked against one o stack v. it makes no odds a poi lo ding; a poimawhter lo ding: It makes no odds to me whether you go or stay. lay (sb) odds (of) thaaap, kam: I’ll lay odds of three to one that he gets the job. odds and ends (Brit infml) odds and sods man nei lem lo, thil tuak tak tete rawi khawmni: He’s moved most of his stuff; there are just a few odds and ends left. Cf ODDMENT. over the odds (Brit infml) ruahsannmi/a jamhi hnakih thi: The firm pays over the odds for working in unpopular areas. o We offered over the odds for the house to make sure we got it. what’s the odds? (infml) ziang a poi: a thupi lo: He’s left her? What’s the odds? He was never at home anyhow. o odds-on adj si thei men; neh dingih zumi: It’s odds on that he’ll be late. o That house is the odds on favourite. ode /’odi/ n (usu long) minung/thil/thil cangmi hrangih ngamni biazai: Keats’s ‘Ode to Autumn’. odious /’odi/ adj (fml) 1 fihnungza, mitkemza: What an odious man! o I find his flattery odious. 2 (idm) comparisons are odious o comparison. odiousness w [U]

odium /’odi/ n [U] (fml) mi pakhat asilole a thil thuam ruangah mpi pawl ih huatnak, fihnak, mitkemnak: behaviour that exposed him to odium o He incurred the odium of everyone by sucking the old caretaker.
odometer /’odtmter/ ad/-/ n (US) = MILEMETER.

dorous /’oros/ adj (dated fml) (rim sia, lole, rimth’a) thei.

dour (US odor) /’oar/ n (fml) [C] rim a sia/a th’a: the delicious odour of freshly-made coffee o the unpleasant odour of over-ripe cheese. o (fig)
An odour of corruption hangs about him. 2 (idm) be in good bad odour (with sb) mi pakhat in a ða ih hmu/h in sih hmu/hi; mi pakhat thawn ðatrem/ðatrem lo: I'm in rather bad odour with my boss at the moment.

- odourless adj rim nei/o: an odourless liquid
  - Our new product will keep your bathroom clean and odourless.

odyssey /'ɒdəsi/ n khua/tlawe/n nak sau/i le ðihn/ung: (fig) a spiritual odyssey.

OECD /ˌɔʊ.ɛ.kˈsiːd/ abbr Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

oeconomical = ecumenical.

Oelipus complex /ˌɒlɪpəs ˈkɒmplɛks/ US 'ed-/ (physiology) naute in a mat thinlungh ih theih lo in a nû/pa a duhnak (a hiar): a bikin mipa nauhak in a nû a duh (a hiar) ruangah a ða kha a icksin/kha thinlungh).

o'er /ˈaʊər/ adv, prep (arch) over; a thun ah: o'er valleys and hills.

oesophageal (also esp US esophageous) /ˌɔsəˈfɪdʒəl/ n (medical) rawl dowlhin hrok: cancer of the oesophagus.

oesrogen /ˌɒsəˈrɒɡən/ (also esp US estrogen) /ˌesɔˈroʊgən/ n, C nunau nau/i in suaghi um, an ti ihsin a suakmi, nunautaksa lamdang zet ih a ðangter; a tumter theitu, naukeng dingah an icksin/sam tikah: an oestrogen deficiency.

Cf progerastone.

of /ɔv/ strong form ðv/ prep 1 ta, ih, ih/a. (a) (followed by a possess pron or by a n, usu with 's): a friend of mine o an acquaintance of my wife's o that house of yours in the country. (b) (followed by a n referring to an inanimate object) thliri pakhat ih ta sinak: the handle of the umbrella o the lid of the box. (c) (after a n referring to sb's rights or duties) mi pakhat ih ðaunvo covo sinak a sim tikah hmanni: the role of the teacher o the rights of man o the privileges of the officer o the reponsibities of a nurse. 2 a hram thawlunak, a suakhe/nak, a umnap sim tikah: a man of royal descent o a man of humble origin o the inhabitants of the area. 3 a tuahtu, a tuantu sim tikah (esp referring to sb's works as a whole): the works of Shakespeare (Cf Shakespeare's comedies)' o the paintings of Picasso o the poems of John Lenon. 4 (a) mi pakhat, thl pakhat thu sim tikah: stories of crime and adventure o a photograph of my dog o a picture of the Queen o a map of Ireland. (b) minung/thlri thawn pehar in sim tikah: I've never heard of such places. o He told us of his travels. 5 (indicating the material used to make sth) thl tuahseer nakih hmanni thlri thu sim tikah: a dress of silk o shirts made of cotton o a house (built) of stone. Cf 180/4 8. 6 (used to show a special grammatical relationship) (a) (introducing the object of the action expressed by the preceding n) tuah duhsami sim tikah: a lover of (ie sb who loves) classical music o fear of the dark o any hope of being elected o the forging of a banknote. (b) (introducing the subject of the action expressed by the preceding n) a tuartu, a cotu ih thu sim tikah: the support of the voters, ie the voters supporting sb o the feelings of a rape victim towards her attacker o the love of a mother for her child o the beliefs of religious groups. 7 (a) (indicating what is measured, counted or contained) tah le siar tikah: a pint of mild o 2 kilos of potatoes o a sheet of paper o a loave of bread o a box of matches o a bottle of lemonade o a bag of groceries. (b) (showing the relationship between part and the whole of sth) a punhillu le a huga (a ðen) ih peh kahin sim tikah: a member of the football team o for six months of the year. (c) (used after some, many, a few, etc and between a numeral or superlative adj and a pron or det) a zat sim tikah: some of his friends o a few of my records o not much of the food o six of them o five of the team o the last of the girls o the most expensive of the presents o the richest of all her friends. 8 (a) (used in expressions showing distance in space or time) hmanhmu caa thu sim tikah: a village 5 miles north of Leeds o within 100 yards of the station o Within a year of their divorce he had remarried. o (US) a quarter of eleven, ie 10.45 am or pm. (b) (used in dates) ni sim tikah: the twenty-second of July o the first of May. 9 co nawn lo, tuar nawn lo, nei nawn lo, thi sim tikah: rob sb of sth o deprived of his mother's protection o relieved of responsibility. o cure sb of drug-addiction. 10 (indicating a cause) a cannak thu sim tikah: die of pneumonia o ashamed of one's behaviour o proud of being captain. 11 (introducing a phrase in apposition) hman le thu khhimhu/nak sim tikah: the city of New York o the issue of housing o the subject of education. 12 (introducing a phrase that describes a preceding n) sim tikah: a man of many colours (Cf a multi-coloured coat) o a girl of ten (Cf a ten-year-old girl) o a woman of genius o a child of strange appearance o an item of value, o products of foreign origin. 13 (used between ns, the first describing the second) thl hman pahn/khark ih hman a si tikah: He's got the devil of a temper. o Where's that fool of a receptionist? o He's a fine figure of a man. 14 (thl pakhat, thu pakhat thawn pehar in): the result of the debate o the time of departure o the topic of conversation o a dictionary of English o the Professor of Mathematics o his chance of winning o sure of one's facts. 15 tampi lakin: I'm surprised that you all people think that. o A flat tyre today of all days — what bad luck! 16 (used to show who is being described by It is/was + adj) a sim
off  /ɒf/ US /əf/ prep (For special uses with many vs, eg get off sth, take (thk) off sth, see the v entries) 1 a tla, a pet hlo: fall off a ladder, tree, horse, wall  o The rain ran off the roof.  o The ball rolled off the table  o Keep off the grass.  o Cut another slice off the loaf.  o Take a packet off the shelf.  o They were only 100 metres off the summit when the accident happened.  o (fig) We’re getting right off the subject.  o Scientists are still a long way off (finding) a cure. 2 (esp of a road or street) khehka theih ih a peh awmi: a narrow lane off the main road  o another bathroom off the main bedroom. 3 a hlat nawn ah: a big house off the high street  o an island off the coast of Cornwall.  o The ship sank off Cape Horn. 4 (infml) duh lem lo; tuul lem lo: I was off (ie did not enjoy eating) my food for a week.  o He’s finally off (ie is no longer addicted to) drugs.

off/-/ US /əf/ adj part (For special uses with many vs, eg go off, turn sth off, clear off, see the v entries.) 1 (a) a hlatnakhah: The town is still five miles off.  o We are some way off, eg our destination.  o He ran off with the money.  o Be off/Off with you!  o He came on the off chance of finding me at home. 2 (indicating removal or separation, esp from the human body) taksa parin phoih, hlon, tan: Be off (infml) taksa phoih, hlon, tan: The holidays are not so far off. 2 (indicators of appliances) hman nawn lomi: The water/gas/electricity is off. 3 a siir ah, a kapah: (in the theatre) a siir ah, a kapah: They used to visit us of a Sunday, sometimes.

off-change  /ɒf/ US /əf/ change a si thei men: There is still an off chance that the weather will improve.

off/day  /ɒf/ US /əf/ adj (in contexts where an off-day is taken as a day off work) taksa parin phoih, hlon, tan: (idm) the off-day: the day off. 4 (infml) duh lem lo; tuul lem lo: I was off (ie did not enjoy eating) my food for a week. 5 (infml) tuul lem lo: I was off (ie did not enjoy eating) my food for a week.

offence (US offense)  /ˈɒfəns/ n 1 [C] ~ (against sth) daan pahsiaia tsualu thnakh: commit an offence  o an offence against the state, etc  o a capital offence, ie punishable by death  o sexual offences  o be charged with a serious offence  o an offence against the law  o an offence against the state, eg treason. 2 [U] qilva sungril: Offence is now thought to be very nutritious.

off-beat  /ˈɒf.bet/ adj (idm) the off-beat: a person, place or thing that is in the minority, or that is eccentric and contrary, esp in music or politics. 3 (infml) tuul lem lo: I was off (ie did not enjoy eating) my food for a week.

offal  /ˈɒfl/ n (US) (also US off meat, infml offal) (a) the meat left over after the carcass is cut up: the offal from the meat is sent to the meat processers. 2 (infml) tuul lem lo: I was off (ie did not enjoy eating) my food for a week.

officious  /ˈɒfɪʃəs/ adj (infml) tuul lem lo: I was off (ie did not enjoy eating) my food for a week.
offence /əf/ (n) 1 [Gp, U] (US sport) lehnak hmai a nortupawl! Their team had a poor of fense. ○ They deserve to lose; the offense was badly planned. Cf defence 3. 2 [C, U] (US) = OFFENCE. offensiveness /əfənsiv/ adj 1 raihsaiat, thinhenger, thin buai tertu: offensive remarks, language, behaviour ○ I find your attitude most offensive. Cf INOFFENSIVE. 2 fieh-nung; luaksuaka: offensive smell ○ She finds tobacco smoke offensive. 3 (film) raldonak/leh-nakih a nortu, a namtu lam: offensive weapons ○ an offensive style of play in rugby. Cf DEFENSIVE. ○ offensive n 1 do, nor, nam (tuahnak, thinlung): The new general immediately launched an offensive against the enemy. ○ (fig) The company has launched a strong marketing offensive to try to increase sales. 2 (idm) be on the offensive nammeh tu dinhmun: (fig) He’s always expecting criticism of his work, so he’s always on the offensive. ○ It’s difficult to make friends with her; she’s constantly on the offensive. on the offensive ○ go on the offensive take the offensive nammeh thok: In meetings she always takes the offensive before she can be criticized. offensively adv: offensively loud music ○ offensively ugly buildings. offer /əˈfər/; US ˈəf-ər/ 1 [Tn, Tn-pr, Dn-n, Dn-pr] = sth (to sb) ~ sth (to sb) pek, then; laksaawng ah suih; then: The company has offered a high salary. ○ She offered a reward for the return of her lost bracelet. ○ I’ve been offered a job in Japan ○ He offered her a cigarette. ○ We offered him the house for £35000. ○ He offered £30000 for the house. 2 [I, Tn, Tt, Dn-n, Dn-pr] = sth (sth sb) pek duhnak, tuahnak duhnak langter: I don’t think they need help, but I think I should offer anyway. ○ They offered no resistance. ○ We offered him a lift, but he didn’t accept. ○ The company offered the job to someone else. 3 [I] (film) a cang; a ra suak: Take the first opportunity that offers, ie that there is. 4 [Tu] (film) thil tha tuahnsak, pek: The job offers prospects of promotion. ○ The trees offered welcome shade from the sun. 5 [Tn, Tn-p, Dn-n, Dn-pr] = sth/ sb (up) (to sb) (for sth) (film) Pathian, khawzing hnenih hlan: She offered up a prayer to God for her husband’s safe return. ○ A calf was offered up as a sacrifice to the goddess. 6 (idm) offer itself themselves (film) a suak; a cang: Ask her about it when a suitable moment offers itself. offer (sb) one’s hand (film) mi kut kai (cibai buk) dingih kutsuah: He came towards me, smiled and offered his hand. offer one’s hand (in marriage) (film) nunu pakhat ibi dingih däl. ○ offer n 1 [C] ~ (to sb/to do sth) tuah sak ding, pe ding ib siinak: an offer of help from the community ○ your kind offer to help ○ an offer of marriage (ie proposal) to the youngest sister. 2 [C] = (for sth) pekzat: a firm offer, ie one which was genuinely meant and not likely to be withdrawn ○ I’ve had an offer of £15000 for the car. ○ They made an offer which I could not refuse. 3 (idm) be open to (an) offer/offers = OPEN' on offer a man űmmâni: Baked beans are on offer this week at the local supermarket. under offer (Brit) (of a building for sale) zilha a nei zomi: The office block is under offer. offering /əˈfərɪŋ/; US ˈəf-ə- rɪŋ/ 1 [U] pekkhanan (cohlan theih/el theih a si): the offering of bribes ○ the offering of financial assistance. 2 [C] (film) laksaawng ah, thawhhlawm ah pekhalam: a church offering ○ He gave her a box of chocolates as a peace offering, ie in the hope of restoring peace after an argument, etc. offertory /əˈfər-tər-ri/; US ˈəf-ər-tər-ri/ n [C] (film) biakkhawm lai ih thawhhlawm khomni: [attrib] Money should be put in the offertory box. offhand /əˈfənd; US ˈəf-ənd/ (idm) (of behaviour, speech, etc) suiap lo ih sim hlua;hhi; tong phutpho men: He was rather offhand with me. ○ I don’t like his offhand manner. ○ offhand adv raut haai a lo in: I can’t say offhand how much money I earn. ○ Offhand I can’t quote you an exact price. offhanded adj: an offhanded attitude. office /əˈfes/ (of) 1 [C] (a) zung: our London offices ○ Our office is in the centre of the town ○ [attrib] office equipment, ie stationery, typewriters, etc ○ office workers. (b) (usu) small: mi pakhat ih nau tâu a sülthun: a lawyer’s office ○ the school secretary’s office ○ The editors have to share an office. (c) (US) sbaw hi mhais: the pediatrian’s office. 2 [C] mi huau tâu a n Phù nh très nhluinh; znang: the lost property office ○ a ticket office at the station ○ the local tax office. 3 Office [sing] (esp in compound) cozh (kumpi) vuænci (riau) zungmîn pi (a tâuân, a huau nh tânvo paw) têh in: the Foreign Office ○ the Home Office. 4 [C, U] cozh hna thun aupa tânvo: He has held the office of chairman for many years. ○ seek/accept/leave/resign office as a cabinet minister ○ the office of mayor ○ His political party has been out of office (ie has
office (n) not formed a government) for many years. ○ Which political party is in office in your country?

5 Office (sing) (religion) khiamn biaikhawm daan: Divine Office, ie daily service in the Roman Catholic Church ○ the Office for the dead. 6 (idm) lay down office (fml) thaneitu hnaqauh ih sinih baang, through sb’s good offices (fml) mi pakhat in lawmawngai ih bohnak.

Office-block (n) (usu large) zung tampi unnak inpi, inmluan: ugly concrete offices ○ The bank and the building society are in the same office-block.

office boy (fem office girl) zung hnaqauh bawnu (pijia): The office boy will deliver the package.

office holder (also office bearer) tuanvo nei upa: All the office holders have to be elected.

office hours zung kai caan; hnaqauh caan: Office hours vary from company to company and country to country.

Officer (noun); US /ˈɑːfɪsər/ n 1 first: All the officers and ratings were invited. ○ Both commissioned and non-commissioned officers attended. 2 (often in compounds) zung a silo pawlkom hnaqauh na thaneitu/luikuai upa: executive and clerical officers, eg in the Civil Service ○ a customs officer ○ officers of state, ie ministers in the government ○ the Medical Officer of Health ○ We had to vote to appoint all three officers: President, Secretary and Treasurer. 3 (a) = police officer (police). (b) (used as a form of address to a policeman or Treasurer all three officers: President, Secretary and Officer of Health ○ ministers in the government ○ Executive and clerical officers.

official /ˈɔffɪʃl/ adj 1 upa tuanvo thawn a pehpar awmni: official responsibilities, powers, records, records ○ in his official capacity as mayor. 2 thaneihu ih simni, tuahmi: an official announcement, statement, decision, etc ○ the official biography of the princess ○ The news is almost certainly true although it is not official. 3 a daan kim ih tuahmi: thungai thlak ih thau: an official reception, dinner, etc ○ written in an official style. ○ official n zung hnaqauh upa, bawi: government officials ○ the officials of a political party. officialdom /ˌɒfɪˈdəm/ n (fml often derog) 1 (Gp) bawi upa a bur in: Officialdom will do no doubt decide our future. 2 [U] ih nei tuikih thuan: We suffer from too much officialdom.

officially /ˈɔfɪʃli/ adv 1 a daan vekin; zung hnaqauh fehdan in: I’ve been officially invited to the wedding. ○ We already know who’s got the job but we haven’t yet been informed officially.
ofside1 /ˈɒf/adj, adv (sport) 1 (of a player in football, hockey, etc) may then lonak dingih hmai a nortu (bawlung offside): The forwards are all offside. 2 cu vek dnihnun, umhmun: be in an offside position ○ the offside rule. Cf onside.

offspring /ˈɒfˈsprɪŋ/ US ˈɔf-/n (pl unchanged) (minl) (a) fa; teef: She’s the offspring of a scientist and a musician. ○ Their offspring are every clever. (b) ramsa fanu: How many offspring does a cat usually have?

off-street /ˈɒfˌstɛrt/ US ˈɔf-/adv mii pih ah hmi ih their lo; dongsang parah um lo: an off-street scream ○ At this point in the play, most of the actors are offstage.

off-stage /ˈɒfˌsteɪdʒ/ US ˈɔf-/adj, adv mii pih ah hmi ih hmi ih theil; off-stage parking only.

off-white /ˈɒfˌwɔt/ US ˈɔfˌhwɔt/-n, adj a raang takta deuh loh: paint a room off-white ○ off-white paint.

off /ˈɔf/ adv (arch) (esp in compounds) often: tu le tu: an oft-told tale ○ an oft-repeated warning.

off-times (arch) tu le tu.

often /ˈɔfn/ also /ˈɔf/adv; /ˈɔfn/adv 1 tu le tu, them; leuh leuh; voi tamzet:

often more often than not tu le tu, cop le cil in: When it’s foggy the trains are late more often than not.

oil /ɔil/ n 1 (U) hriak, thau, siti, a ti a hmun deuh ih, tidai thawn a rawi thei lomi, a ah a olmi, thinghung, ramssa, hriak ti: coconut, sunflower, vegetable, etc oil ○ olive oil ○ cooking oil ○ cod-liver oil ○ salad oil. 2 [U] (a) leilung tanglam lungto ihsin a suakmu petrol (zinn) ti: drilling for oil in the desert. (b) (often in compounds) munug ih hmnnmi zinnan, petrol: an oil-heater-lamp-stove ○ Put some oil in the car. 3 [C] (infml) hi vek oil thawn zui zuk lem. 4 [pl] siihnh dingih rawi ciami: paint in oils. 5 [idm] burn the midnight oil ○ burn’.

pour oil on the flames ○ pour. pour oil on troubled waters ○ pour. strike lucky oil/gold ○ strike oil.

oil-rich ○ oil-bearing ○ oil-paint ○ oilfield ○ oil-bearing ○ oil-painting ○ oil-rich ○ oil-bearing ○ oil-paint ○ oilfield ○ oil-bearing

oilcake ○ [U] a fe; a hriak laksuak zoni silica rawl tha a fe. (pee-phot tivek).

oilcan ○ n a humar a zum ih a fiakmi siti, hriakti retnak dawm.

oilcloth ○ [U] rauhkhana le cabuah ti vekh hmnnmi puahmuhan (oil thawn rawi ih tuahmi).

oilfield ○ n zinnan umnak leilung, ile, tipi tanglam: North Sea oilfields.

oil-fired ○ (of a boiler, furnace, etc) a alhmi zinnan, petrol, dizel ti vekh (khawl, cet nungter le caangter dhuang) oil-fired central heating.

oil-painting ○ [U] pianhnhaying rong nei hriakti thawn zukle zui suakm: She enjoys oil-painting. 2 [C] cu vekh zui zuk, 3 [idm] be no oil-painting (infml joc) ni hmelisia.

oil-palm ○ ungkuh.

oil rig ○ zinnan suakhntarik thuahmhnaw. Cf nerek.


oil-slick ○ n = slick.

oil tanker ○ n zinnan (petrol) phurtu tanghawlawngumpi.

oil-well ○ zinnan khur.

oily ○ /ˈɔɪl/ adj ○ oil, dest 1 hriak, siti, zinnan vek, ihsin: an oily liquid. 2 hriak nhumi, hriak rawimi, ciahmi: oily fingers ○ an oily skin ○ an oily old pair of jeans ○ oily food. 3 (derog)
ointment

porb tahraii mi thimnai a ṭa ngah tums, zuan: I don’t like oily shop assistants.

Oiliness n.

ointment /ˈoʊnmənt/ n [C, U] 1 taka’s hniñi hriak si. Cf shaken. 2 (idm) ‘the fly in the ointment

okapi /wɔkəpi/ n lungwing sau aii ṭi almi Afrika ram um ramasi phun khat.

okay (also OK) /ˈoʊki/ adj, adv (infml) a ṭa, ka lungkim, dam: I hope the children are okay. ○ I think I did OK in the exam. ○ We’ll go to the cinema tomorrow, OK?

okay (also OK) /ˈoʊki/ interj (infml) a ṭa; a si; aw: ‘Will you help me?’ ‘OK, I will’. ○ Okay children, we’ll clear up the room now.

okay (also OK) v [Tn] (infml) lungkim; cohlang: He okayed/OK’d my idea.

okay (also OK) n lungkimnak: Have they given you their okay? ○ We’ve got OK from the council at last. Cf a-ok (¼).

okra /ˈoʊkra/ n (tropical plant) a kwamn ci theih thingthei phunkhat.

old /ˈold/ adj (-er, -est) 1 Usage at elders. 1 (with a period of time or with how) kum, kum ziat: He’s forty years old. ○ At 15 years old he left school. ○ I’m old enough to be able to read. 2 reipi nung; tar; kum upa: Old people connect so active as young people. ○ He’s too old for you to marry. ○ What will she do when she is/get’s/grows old? 3 (a) reipi hman zomi, neih zomi: old customs, beliefs, habits, etc. ○ old clothes, cars, houses. ○ This carpet’s getting rather old now. (b) [attrib] hlalai: old religious practices ○ Things were different in the old days. 4 [attrib] hlalai: thei, reipi in thei, ruipi ṭi ṭhatni: an old friend of mine, ie one I’ve known for a long time, but not necessarily old in years ○ We’re old rivals, I’ve been rivals for a long time. 5 hlan ih, reipi ih (a tar, a kumtam tiknak cu a si lo): in my old job ○ at my old school. ○ I prefer the chair in its old place. ○ We had a large garden at our old house. Usage. 6 [attrib] (infml or joc) (used as a term of affection or intimacy) duh-kawh nokih hmanmi: Dear old John! ○ Good old Angelita! ○ You’re a funny old thing! 7 [attrib] (infml) (used for emphasis) uarnak ih hmanmi: Any old thing (ie Anything whatever) will do. 8 (fml) hmunthonnak tampi neim: old in diplomacy ○ an old trooper. 9 (idm) any old how (infml) ralring lo te ti hnuhniai in: The books were scattered round the room any old how: a chip off the old block ○ chip’. ○ a dirty old man ○ dirty’. for old times’ sake longih theihe lunglam thu ruam pawl ruangah, the good old days tui caan hnhah caan ṭa/caan sia a rak simi: The friends met occasionally to chat about the good old days at school. the grand old man ○ grand.

give sb a high old time ○ high. money for

jam/old rope ○ money. no fool like an old fool ○ fool’. of old hlalai caan ihisn: in days of old ○ We know him of old, ie have known him for a long time and so know him well. (as) old as the hills a hlun zet, hlaan thil: This dress is as old as the hills. old beyond one’s years a kumrup lo in a piling. old boy, chap, man, etc (dated infml) (kum upa lammi neunng pawl ih hmanmi): ‘Excuse me, old man, can I borrow your newspaper?’ (be) old enough to be sb’s father/mother mi pakhat hnaik ai a upa tuk; nui/ pa tuk a si: You can’t marry him! He’s old enough to be your father! (be) old enough to know better tu hnaik ṭa deuh ih nungcaang ding a mawi: Have you been drawing on the wall? I thought you were old enough to know better. old hat (infml) a thar lo; hlan thil; ti danhlun: His ideas are all terribly old hat. (have) an old head on young shoulders a kum zat ruat in a thurah dan a piling zet. an old trout (infml) thintawi, mi hŋerjetru nutor: a hlaun atthlak a simi ruahnak, zumnak. one of the old school thurah dan thleng thei lo; hlalai thupom te’n a ummi. pay/settle an old score hlahnaw hnhaplaynak parah lehral, sam. rake over old ashes ○ rake’, ring out the old year and ring in the new ○ ring’, the same old story ○ same!, teach an old dog new tricks ○ teach. tough as old boots ○ tough. young and old ○ young.

the old n [pl v] tar pawl: The old feel the cold weather more than the young.

oldie n (infml) mi tar/thil hlun: This record is a real oldie.

oldish adj a tar ko.

old age tarlam, tar sinak: Old age can bring many problems. old-age pension tar pawl cozhah (kumpi) ih pension thlahlawh peknak. old-age pensioner (abbr OAP) (also pensioner, senior citizen) pension ngahmi.

old boy (few old guy) 1 thewing pakhat ih tlawngta hlun: an old boys’ reunion. 2 old boy, old girl (infml) nutar patar: the old girl who lives next door. 3 (idm) the old-boy network kum upat hnu ih bromptak ding thnhunq nei tlawngta hlun pawl.

the old country suahkehnak mai ram hlun te.

Old English Angle-Saxon 3.

old-fashioned adj (often derog) 1 san man nawn lo: old-fashioned clothes, styles. 2 hlan dan le numphung zumtu: My own is very old fashioned. ○ She gave me an old-fashioned look, ie one expressing disapproval. — n (US) whisky thawn rawimi zu.

old fogey (US old foggy) 1 auld ‘foggy’ ruahnak hlun a thling duh loh (a bikin mipa). old folks home (infml) nutar patar pawl retnak le tuamhlawmhnak sizung vek inmpi: His mother is in an old folks’ home.
**NOTE ON USAGE:** Compare old, aged, elderly, ancient and antique. Old has the widest use and can be applied to people, animals, and things. It usually indicates that somebody or something has lived or existed for a long time: an old woman, dog, church. It may describe a person who has been known for a long time but is not necessarily old and is used of very old people who have possibly become physically weak. If one wishes to be polite and respectful, one can describe old people as elderly. Ancient and antique are usually only applied to things. We call ancient something that existed a long time ago: an ancient civilization, ancient history, customs, etc. Antique describes an object which has survived from the past and is therefore valuable today: antique furniture, silver, etc.

olden /əldən/ adj [attrib] (arch) a luan zomi san: in olden times/days.
older /′əldə(r)/ n (infml joc) a tar mi; mitar.
oleaginous /′ələʊdʒɪnəs/ adj (fml) siti, hriak vek, cumi a suahut; a thormi, a thauimi: oleaginous seeds.
oleander /′ələndər/ n [C, U] Mediterranean kiangkap ih un a hnaih ih a hring ringringmi pangpar.
O level /′əʊ l̩ɪvl/ ([infml] = ordinary level (ordinary). Cf A level.
olfactory /′ɒlfəktaʊri/ adj (fml) rim theiin theiinak: the olfactory nerves/organisms.
oligarchy /′ɒlɪɡəkri/ (politics) 1 (a) [U] mi malte in thuninah, uknak ankaik thehmi. 2 (b) [C] cuvek uknak khatnak aitlun pawl. 2 (C) oligarchy ih ukmi ram.
> oligarch /′ɒlɪɡəkri/ n oligarchy uknak ih sungtel.
olive /′ʌlv/ n (a) [C] thimgthi rah fate, a hmin hlanah a hring ringringmi olive kung: a grove of olives. 2 (also olive-green) [C] a huan a hring ringringmi olive kung: a grove of olives. 2 (also olive-green) [U] a hmin deuh hrih lomi olive rah.
> olive adj 1 aire nawn ih hriangmi: olive point. 2 (of the complexion) taksa piaa hriangmi: olive skin.
> olive-branch n 1 remdaih hmiinnak 2 (fig) mi pakhat thawn remdaihnak dingih simmi/ tuahmi: After years of quarrelling we at last sent our cousins a Christmas card as an olive-branch.
olive oil olive hriak.
Olympiad /′ɒlɪmpɪəd/ n 1 san thar Olympic puai: The 21st Olympiad took place in Montreal. 2 Olympic lehnak kum le karik danh thauami.
Olympian /′ɒlɪmpɪən/ adj (fml) a thiangmi le a sangmi (umzia nuncan): Even when those around her panic she always maintains Olympian calm.
Olympic /′ɒlɪmpɪk/ adj [attrib] Olympic leh zuamnak thawn a pehpar in: an Olympic athlete.
> She has broken the Olympic 5000 metres record.
> the olympic Games 1 hlun lai ah Grikk ram ih Olympic leh zuamnak an rak thauami. 2 (also the Olympics) san thar ah leitlun huap in ram dangdang ih tuahmi umni voikhat lehpan zuam awknak.
OM /′əʊm/ abbr (Brit) Order of Merit; timi hmin thatnak ngahtu: John Paul OM.
ombudsman /′ɒmbudzmən/ also -man/ n (pl ombudsmen -′mən/) bawi upa pawl parih mi
lungs, lion's paw, zigzag, dinghy, diamond (kumj) as if it were up above.

omega /ˈɒməʊɡə/ US /ˈɑːməɡə/ n 1 Gr. cafeng netsakib (θ, ω). 2 Alpha and Omega = Alpha.

omelette (also omelet) /ˈɒməli/ n thidlang rawiok as if it were arti: a cheese and mushroom omelette. 2 (idm) one can't make an omelette without breaking eggs (saying) sunnak/siatnak um lo in hmiitun a then their lo.

omen /ˈoʊmən/ n (C, U) ~ (of sth) himai lam aha a sia/a/tha pakha tkhat a cang ding timu hmuhsaktu a ti i rhunmi hmiinsnak: a good/bad omen o an omen of victory o a bird of ill omen.

ominous /ˈoʊmineɪəs/ adj thal /a/ thilaung ding timi hmiinsnak a simi: an ominous silence o Those black clouds are lookin a bit ominous.

omission /ˈoʊmiʃən/ n 1 [U] tell lonak; hrelhtnak; thlaunak: The play was shortened by the omission of two scenes. o His omission from the team is rather surprising. o (fig) sins of omission, ie not doing things that should be done. 2 [C] tell lomi, hrelhtini: This list of names has a few omissions.

omit /ˈəmɪt/ v (t) 1 [T, G] hrelh, thlaun, tuah lo iha taan: omit to doing a piece of work. 2 [Tn] tell lo: This chapter may be omitted.

omni- comb form humuhaumahumunkip: omnipotence o omniscience o omnipresent.

omnibus /ˌʌmnɪbʌs/ n (pl ~es) 1 (dated fnml) esp in names mizapi tomi bus mawjaufka. 2 cabu tumpi pakhat sungah cabu tete komkkawmi (mi pakhat ih nganni pawl): an omnibus volume o a George Orwell omnibus. 3 the man on the Clapham omnibus = man.

omnipotence /ˌɒməˈpəʊtnəs/ n [U]: the omnipotence of God.

omnipresent /ˌɒməˈpriːsənt/ adj (fnml) hmiinkum ih a ummi, umkimm: the omnipotent officials, bureaucrats, state police, etc.

omniscient /ˌɒməˈsɪsnt/ adj (fnml) ziangkim a thei thlumhmi, thlumhm: the omniscient: the omnipotent squire, dread.

omniscience /ˌɒməˈsɪsns/ n [U].

omnivorous /ˌɒməˈvɜːrəs/ adj (fnml) 1 (of animals) sa lehnah a eitu ramsa pawl a simi: Tiger is not omnivorous. o the omnivorous pig. 2 (fig) cabu phunphun a xawtmi: TV program phunphun a xawtmi: an omnivorous reader.

on 1 /ɒn/ adv part 1 (For special uses with many vs, eg hang on, go on, take sth on, see the v entries) a pezhom ih thil tkhatak, təxanak: She talked on for two hours without stopping. o He can work on without a break. o If you like a good story, read on. o They wanted the band to play on. o The war still went on, ie didn’t end. o He slept on through all the noise. 2 (indicating movement forward or progress in space or time) hnuhnma le caan ah himai nor: run, walk, hurry on to the bus-stop. o Please send my letter on to my new address. o From that day on, ie from then until now o On with the show (ie Let it begin/continue)! 3 (a) (of clothes) hnuhnuh ruhkuh: Put your coat on. o Why hasn’t she got her glasses on? o Your hat’s not on straight. (b) a sin, a hren: Make sure the lid is on. o Leave it with the cover on. o The skirt is finished — I’m now going to sew a pocket on.

on/off 2. 4 (a) (esp of electrical apparatus, etc or power supplies) nung, hman, tleuter: The light were all on. o The TV is always on in their house. o Someone has left the tap on, ie The water is running. o I can smell gas — is the oven on? o leave the handshake on. (b) ngah their, a pezhom: We were without electricity for three hours but it’s on again now. o Is the water on? Cf. on/off 3. 5 (of a performance, play, etc) thil tuah rero: The film was already on when we arrived. o The strike has been on for six weeks. 6 hmaiham ih a cang dingmi, tuah ding ruatmi: Is the match on at 2 pm or 3 pm? o The postal strike is still on, ie has not been cancelled. Cf. on/off 4. 7 (Of programmes, films, entertainments, etc) piah: rero laimi: Cf. in.

on for this evening? o What’s he on about now? o They wanted to go on at the local theatre. o What time is the news on? o Is the match on at 2 pm or 3 pm? o What time is the group on? o The strike has been on now for six weeks. 8 thil phakhat cang dingmi, tuah ding ruatmi: What’s he on about now? o What’s on at the cinema tonight? o There’s a good play on at the local theatre. o What time is the news on? 9 thil phakhat cang dingmi, tuah ding ruatmi: Have we got anything (ie any engagements, plans, etc) on for this evening? o What’s on at the cinema tonight? o There’s a good play on at the local theatre. o What time is the news on? 8 thil phakhat cang dingmi, tuah ding ruatmi: What’s he on about now? o What’s on at the cinema tonight? o There’s a good play on at the local theatre. o What time is the news on?
once

just

Once upon a time there was a beautiful princess…
you're only young once ➤ once

once conj tikah, vete'n: Once you understand this rule, you'll have no further difficulty. ➤ How would we cope once the money had gone?

do the once n [sing] (infml) voi khat lawng: She's only done it the once so don't be too angry.

one Tiang zet in … ka: I for one have no doubt that he is lying. ➤ lots of people would like to come — your mother for one.

one-time adj [attrib] pan, naih vivo: the oncoming traffic.

oncoming 'fonkanany' adj [attrib] pan, naih vivo, a thleng zkte mi: oncoming traffic.

one [n] (U) (fml) naith vivonax: the oncoming of winter.

one pakhat, a paak: I've got two brothers and one sister. ➤ There's only one piece of cake left. ➤ Book One, Chapter One, ie the first chapter of the first book. ➤ One of my friends live in Brighton. ➤ One of the girls brought her sister. 2 (a) (esp of periods of time) sawhhkhi mi caan pakhat: one day/morning/afternoon/evening/night last week. ➤ One day (ie At an indefinite time in the future) you'll be glad she left you. ➤ One morning in June…. (b) (used for emphasis and always stressed) ti bakh nei ih simmi: The one way to succeed is to work hard and live a healthy life. ➤ No one of you could lift that piano, ie Two or more of you would be needed. 3 (usu fml) (used with somebody's name to show that the speaker does not know the person) mi pakhat; pakhat pa: One Tim Smith (GI Mr Smith) called to see you but you were out. ➤ The author of the anonymous article turned out to be one Stanley Carter. 4 (used with the other, another or other(s) to show a contrast) the other; another, other(s) ti mi thawn tông ralsahn ih lammar: The two girls are so alike that strangers find it difficult to tell (the) one from the other. ➤ I see you add the egg before the milk. That's one way of doing it, ie suggesting there are other and possibly better ways. ➤ I'm sorry I can't help you. For one thing (ie As a first reason) I'm in a hurry, and for another I have a bad back. ➤ bang-aw; bangrepmi: They all went off in one direction. ➤ After the union meeting the workers were all of one mind, ie all had the same opinion.

one pakhat pakhat in: same idea occurred to each of them

one (in compounds) a hmai ih nganmi ih pakhat a sinak: a one-act play ➤ a one-piece swimsuit ➤ a one-parent family.

done-armied bandit = fruit machine (fruit). ➤ one-horse adj [attrib] rang pakhat hmangmi: a one-horse cart. ➤ (fig) a teenau ih a thupi lom: a one-horse town, ie a quiet town without much business, entertainment, etc.

one-liner n (infml) lemcawn le hnhusaksai ih capo tawtive: deliver some good one-liners.

one-man band = a mah lawngin veikah ah thil phun hnh-thum a tuntu (lamzin kapih) awmnawi tumthiam: (fig) I run business as a one-man band—just me and no one else.

one-man show minung tami lühnq zawnaw manh lawngte ih lemcawn tivek tuah ñheymi. ➤ 2 minung tami ih tuah gingmi mah pakhat lawngthi tuan ciamconak.

one-night stand khua tami lawngw vivo ih lemcawn a hmuhtu in khua pakhat ih an nhmu (piaw) mi. 2 (infml) caan tawtive sung (a hliee in zan khaw lawng) mipa nunaw pawl-awknak: I was hoping for a lasting affair, not just a one-night stand…

one-off n, adj (thing) voi khaw lawng tuah ñheymi (thil): Her novel was just a one-off — she never wrote anything as good as that again.

one p (also 1p) (Br) penny (pia) thar pakhat: [attrib] Two one p stamps, please.

one-sided adj (1) (esp of ideas, opinions, etc) khatham lawng a tämn: a one-sided argument ➤ His attitude towards the unemployed is very one-sided. ➤ (esp in sport, etc) khaw lawng a tämn: a one-sided politician.

one-sidedness n (U) ➤ one-time adj (attrib) vei khaw lai; hlan deuh: a one-time politician.

one-to-one adj, adv pavlkom pawhnih ih sungtel khaw lam khatham zoh tonnak: a one-to-one ratio between teachers and pupils ➤ teaching one-to-
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only /ənˈəʊli/ adj [attrib] 1 lawng, mahlawng, pakhat lawng: She was the only person able to do it. ○ His only answer was a grunt. ○ This is the only painting in this style that we have. ○ We were the only people there. 2 (infml) ruah tlak bik; a ́ha bik; She’s the only woman for the job. ○ She says Italy is the only place to go for a holiday. 3 (idm) one day only → cov2. an only child fa neilsun: My mother was an only child ○ Only children are sometimes spoilt.

only /ənˈəʊli/ adv 1 (modifies a word or phrase and is placed close to it in written or formal spoken style; etc is modified, so that only may have various positions) a simmi hoh zawngin sullam a nei vio: I only saw Mary, ie I saw Mary and no one else. ○ (fml) I saw only Mary. ○ I only saw Mary, ie I saw her but I didn’t speak to her. ○ Only members may use the bar. ○ Only five people were hurt in the accident; the rest were uninjured. ○ He only lives just round the corner. ○ We only waited a few minutes but it seemed like hours. ○ Women only, eg on a sign or poster. ○ We can only guess (ie We cannot be certain about) what happened. 2 (idm) for X’s eyes only → eyes1. if only → if, not only ... but also lawng si loin ... khial: He: He not only read the book, but also remembered what he read. only have eyes for sb have eyes only for sb → eyes. only just (a) tu baite, tu pekte: We’ve only just arrived. ○ I’ve only just moved to London. (b) lo zikte, daih fanfhang: He only just caught the train. ○ I’ve enough milk for the coffee — but only just. only too (with an adj or pp) zet, ngingai: I shall be only too pleased to get home. ○ That’s only too true, I’m afraid, ie really true, and not untrue as the speaker might have hoped or wanted. you’re only young once (saying) no lai caan nuam le mannei ih hman ding: Enjoy the disco — you’re only young once.

only /ənˈəʊli/ conj (infml) (a) amah lawngte; a qha bik: We were the only people there is the only painting in this style that we have. ○ do it pakhat lawng: Only children are sometimes spoilt.

onset /ˈɒnset/ n (sing) (nuam lozet le naszet ih) hramthawhmak: the onset of winter ○ The onset of a disease.

onshore /ˈɒnʃɔːr/ adj [usu attrib] adv (a) (of wind) tipi ihsin tikap lamih a hrangmi (thl): an onshore breeze. (b) tipi kapah, tipi kap naː ah: an onshore development.

onside /ˌɒnˈsaɪd/ adj [usu pred] adv (sport) mai lehnaŋ dinhmih ih a lekmi: He was definitely onside when he scored that goal. ○ The referee declared him onside. Cf offsides1.

onslaught /ˈɒnslɔːt/ n (on sb/sth) thnung zet ih siim, do: They survived on onslaught by tribesmen. ○ (fig) an onslaught on government housing policies.

on-stage /ˌɔnˈstɛdʒi/ adj, adv lemcawn hmuhnak donsang parah, mipi hmuh ah: three actors on-stage ○ She walked slowly on-stage.

onto (also on to) /əntəʊ/ onto, before vowels and finally ‘ontu’ prep 1 parah: move the books onto the second shelf ○ step out of the train onto the platform ○ Water was dripping onto the floor. ○ The crowd ran onto the pitch. ○ The child climbed up onto his father’s shoulders. Cf on1 2 (phr) be onto sb (a) (infml) mi ā hə lo a dung ihsin dawi: The police are onto him about the stolen paintings. (b) thil tuaŋ dinhg siam: Have you been onto the solicitor yet? ○ My mother’s been onto me about the mess in my room. Cf get onto sb (get). be onto sth thil thupi hmuhusauhmak ih a tulum theih theinak: When did you realize you were onto something really big?

ontology /əntəˈlɒdʒi/ n (U) (philosophy) a um timi ih sizia zirnak. ○ antological adj: antological speculations.

onus /ˈɒnəs/ n the onus (sing) (fml) tuanvo, thilrit: the onus of bringing up five children ○ The onus of proof rests/ lies with you, ie You must prove what you say.

onyx /ˈɒnɪks/ n[U] a sungh panhmang phumphun a neimi lungvar phun khaː; oniks lungvar: [attrib] en onyx paperweight.

oodles /ˈʌdəlz/ n (pl) (infml) tam zet; (thl) tam zet: oodles of hot water ○ oodles of money. omph /ˈɑmφ/ n (infml) thathawhmak; mipa nunau hiup-awk theinak: Marilyn Monroe had lots of oomph.

ooze /ˈoʊz/ v 1 [Ipr, Ip] ~ from/out of sth; ~ out/away (of thick liquids) nuuʃteŋ a pawt, a luang, a ziam: All the toothpaste had oozed out. ○ Black oil was oozing out of the engine. ○ Blood was still oozing from the wound. ○ (fig) Their courage was oozing away. 2 [Ip, Trn] ~ (with sth) nuuʃteŋ pawtter, luangre: toast oozing with butter ○ The wound was oozing pus. ○ (fig) She was simply oozing (with) charm. ○ They oozed confidence, ie showed it freely. Usage at ○ dec1.
open

- oozé [ˈɔːz/ n 1 (U) ciarbeak (a hloice in tica le tili tawnne iñ uñ). 2 [sing] (fml) nusante iñ a luangmi: the oozé of pus from a wound.

op /ˈɔp/ n (infml) = operation 3.


opacity /əˈpæsɪt/ (also opaqueness) n [U] the opaqueness of frosted glass.

opal /ˈɔpəl/ n a piehnamang a thlen aw theimí lungvar phunkhat: a bracelet made of opals ○ an opal ring.

- opalescent /ˌɔpəˈleʃənt/ adj (fml) opal lungvar vekhih piah hnamg a thlen aw theimí: an opalescent silky material.

opaque /ˈәpək/ adj 1 thu iñ phahlíng theimí: opaque glass ○ an opaque lens. 2 (of a statement, piece of writing, etc) a fhang theimí; theií a harmi (thussim, cangan): I felt his report was deliberately opaque.

- opaquely adv.

opaqueness (also opacity) n [U]: the opaqueness of her reasoning.

op art /ˈɔpәrt/ (also optical art) mit a bhum theih thi thul thih thuali.

op cit /ˈәp sɪt/ abbr sirhsan iñ laak zomi cabu (Latin opere citato). Cf Loc cit.

OPEC /ˈɑpɛk/ abbr Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Pétrol zuarsuak theitu ram pawl).

open¹ /ˈɔpәn/ adj 1 oong: leave the door open ○ The door burst open and the children rushed in.
○ sleep in a room with the windows open ○ with both eyes open ○ The dog escaped through the open gate. 2 [usu attrib] phen lo, kham lo, kulh lomi: He prefers open fires to stoves or radiators.
○ open country, ie without forests, buildings, etc ○ open fields ○ an open stretch of moor ○ crack open a nut ○ break open a safe. 3 [usu pred] hnuatuanmah hrangih ong: The banks aren’t open yet. ○ The shop isn’t open on Sundays.
○ Doors open (eg of a theatre) at 7.00pm. ○ Is the new school open yet? ○ She declared the festival open. ○ He kept two bank accounts open. 4 (a) pharh; parh kau-aw; ong-aw: The flowers are all open now. ○ The book lay open on the table. (b) sh lo, hren lo: an open shirt ○ a blouse open at the neck ○ His coat was open. 5 [attrib] khuh lo, sin lomi: an open car, ie one with no roof or with a roof that is folded back ○ an open wound, ie one in which the skin is broken or damaged ○ He has open sores all over his arms. ○ an open drain/ sewer. 6 ~ (to sb/sth) tel thei ció dinghih omni: an open competition, championship, scholarship ○ The garden is open to the public.
○ She was tried in open court, ie with the public being freely admitted to hear the trial. 7 (a) thuop lo (thu lo lomi); zapi theihmi: an open quarrel, scandal, etc ○ the lovers’ open display of affection. (b) fhangte in sim duh; thinkhung thuop un lomi: an open character ○ He was quite open about his reasons for leaving. 8 rel cat loh taan tami: Let’s leave the matter open. ○ Is the job/vacancy/position still open (ie available, unfilled)? 9 [usu attrib] (of cloth, etc) kaang pipi iñ ñuhtmi (hnuapuan): an open texture/ weave. 10 (idm) an open secret than le theihpi a si khrh lo nan, mizapi iñ rak theih zomi (thu thup puangzah): Their love affair is an open secret.

- be/lay oneself (wide) open to sth soisel ding um: Don’t lay yourself open to attack. ○ You’re laying yourself wide open to accusations of dishonesty.
○ be open to offer/offers thi loituh iñ pek duh zet lungkimnak: We haven’t decided on a price but we’re open to offers. have/keep an open mind (about/on sth) ruahnak thihr, midang pekmi ruahnak a cohlang duhthu: I’m not convinced your idea will work, I’ll keep an open mind for the moment.
○ in the open air a leng lamah: picnics, crusades in the open air: keep one’s ears/eyes open zumrang in thi lu hnu thei, a thei theimí (a hriohrih mi).
○ keep an eye open (out) ○ EYE¹. keep one’s eyes open (peeled/skinned ○ EYE¹. keep open house mileng le mikhial rak cohlang thei theingning ringring.

keep/leave one’s options open ○ OPTION. keep a weather eye open ○ WEATHER¹. leave the door open ○ LEAVE¹. an open book thuahp nei lo iñ a simtu, a thinlung thei a olmi: His mind is an open book.
○ open Sesame (magic words used in one of the Arabian Nights stories to cause a door to open) Arabian Nights thuahpni sungh sangka ooter theimak dawi jone (jonehthup). an open sesame (to sth) ngah a bar theimak ol duh thu ngah theimak lamzin: Being the boss’s daughter is not an open sesame to every well-paid job in the firm.

- open to sb a hruanghi a cang theimí: It seems to me that there are only two options open to her. ○ open to sth thi loit uh cohlang duh: open to suggestions ○ open to conviction, ie willing to be persuaded about sth. ○ throw sth open to (sb) mi zapi hranghih tuahsmak thi: throw the debate open to the audience ○ throw one’s house open to the public. wide open ○ WIDE.

- with one’s eyes open ○ EYE¹. with open arms duhduhawtnak le thahawtnak thaw: He welcome us with open arms.

- the open a [sing] 1 hramlap; inn le nhahnak un lomi hmaun: The children love playing in the open.
○ in the open air. 2 (idm) bring sth/be/come (out) in (to) open (thuuthup pawl) mi zapi theihpi dinghih cang, cang ko tuah: Now the scandal is out in the open, the president will have a lot of questions to answer.
○ openly adv thuop loin; zapi theih in; lungthi range in: discuss a subject openly ○ go somewhere openly, ie where one might be expected to go secretly.
open
openness  thlibung thiangh tuahnak; thup nei
lonak: n [U] They were surprised by her openness
when talking about her private life.
  □ open-air  adj [attrib] hramlak ah, a lenglam
ah: an open-air swimming-pool ○ an open-air
party.
open-and-shut  adj a fiang tukmi, olte ih releat
theim: As far as I can see the whole matter is
open-and-shut. ○ He’s obviously guilty — it’s
an open-and-shut case.
opencast  adj [usu attrib] (of mines or mining)
leilung sung thi mankhung laihnak ah leiphah
a hun naihnak zawn: opencast coal-mining. Cf
deez-min (open).
open cheque paisa suah think chek lethamath
(cahnah) (cross4 4).
open day  khar þeumi hmun zapi zoh thei ni:
as open day at the village school.
open-ended  adj rikhiahnak, hrekhhawmnak,
tumcianak um loin: an open-ended contract ○
an open-ended discussion.
open-eyed  adj (a) mit meng in; mit kau ter in:
an open-eyed in the terror. (b) hrisohrip; libphlau;
ralring ih um.
open-handed  terhsiang; a lakih pek.
open-handedly  adv. open-handedness  n [U].
open-hearted  adj tlanigm.
open-heart surgery (medical) cet thawn thii an
fehter rero lai ah sibawi in lungnat a rainak.
open letter  cakuat asinan mipi theih dingah
book, a newspaper, etc ○ She open the
table to sth — I know you’re
hiding something in it.
open-minded  adj rauhnaik, laihnak Lesson
plan office cunu lomi (inn):
open-plan  child stared open-mouthed at the huge cake
open-mouthed  ○ parents were more open-minded on political
issues.
open letter to the Minister of Education
open-minded  adj ruahnahnak thar a chohlang
duhimi; thinlung flakeplomi: He wished his
parents were more open-minded on political
issues.
open-mouthed  mangbang ruangh ka-aang: The
child stared open-mouthed at the huge cake.
open-plan  a sunglam khaan dan phar a um
cuca lomi (inn): the lack of privacy in an open-
plan office.
open prison  thawlnga pawl zalennak a um
deuhmi thawnginn.
open question  hmuhdaan le ruahdaan a
phunhun a um theim thuhlha; leh hrhi lomi
thusuahnak: How many people will lose their jobs
is an open question.
open sandwich  a tunah sa le hnaawkh retmi
sangphok (pawngwuhm ak): a Danish open
sandwich.
the open sea  leilung thawn a hlatnak tipi sehvel
(kiangkap): Sail in and out of bays — not in the
open sea.
the open season  kumkhaw sungh nga le ramsa
kai le kap thei dingh on caan: October to
February is the open season for phessants in
Britain.
The Open University (Brit) lamhlai ihsin zir
theim: Phunsang Tlawng.
open verdict  ziaw ruangh a thi timi a si
fiang lomi thuthenteu ih thuhen catnak.
open vowel  (phonetics) lei niamter ih aw suahmi
aw-phoe, eg /a/, /a/.
open-work  n [U] Þhitnak kiarlik zuahmi;
hmuhna-kaan ih (thir tivek) benni: [attrib] open-work lace ○ open-work wrought iron.
open2/swidep/ a 1 (a) [I, Ip] ong-aw (amah le mah
ti vek): Does the window open inwards or
outwards? (b) [Tn, Tn-pr] ong: Open your coat.
open a box, parcel, envelope, etc ○ She open the
door for me to let me in. ○ open the window
a crack/fraction/bittile, ie open it slightly. 2
[Tn, Tn-pr] stv tan, vti ih ongter: open a mine,
well, tunnel, etc ○ open a new road through a
forest. 3 [I, Ip, Tn, Tn-pr] vi, vs sth (out) pharh: The flowers are opening (out). ○ open a
book, a newspaper, etc ○ open (out) a map on
the table ○ open your hand — I know you’re
hiding something.
open-handedness  adj frehnhak, rathlahwak tivek pawl thlah;
phoib.
open one’s heart/mind to sb  thinlung tuarnak le ruahnak pawl zalong zet ih sim le
reel. 6 (prh v) open into/out sth hmaion;
thlenpi: This door opens only to the garden.
the two rooms open into one another. open out
(a) kau sin; hmuh theih ih cang: The road opened
out into a dual carriageeway. ○ The view opened
out in front of us as the fog cleared. (b) mi-sinak
ih þangliam: She opened out a lot while she was
staying with us. open (sth) up; open up (in/ml)
thuhami um lo ih sim le reel: After a few drinks
he began to open up a bit. (a) ongter: Coughing
like that might open up your wound. (b) thansanok hrangh (thil pakhak semrem
ternak): New mines are opening up. ○ open up
undeveloped land, new territory, etc. ○ His
stories opened up new worlds of the imagination.
(c) (thil pakhak kha) hnaatuan thokter: open up
a new restaurant ○ He never opens shop on a
Sunday. open sth up a fun kheh, a tuam ong,
phoib: open up a package ○ open up the boot of a
car ○ open up an unused room ○ open up
(sth) (ie ‘Unlock the door!’) shouted the police officer.
open (sth) with sth thil pakhak thawn hramthok:
The story opens with a murder. ○ He opened the
operator /ˈɒpərɪtər/ n (usu in compounds) 1 thil sin onnak: a tin-opener ○ a bottle-opener.
2 (idm) for openers (US infml) a hramthawnak ah: For openers we’ll get rid of this old furniture.


5 [C] (zung inpi ti vek) phuannak: phuannak puai: Many attended the opening of the new sports centre. 5 [C] a lawngmi hnaquan (juan hmun): an opening in an advertising agency ○ There are few openings for the new graduates.
(b) tuahnak, simnak hrangih caan tha: excellent openings for trade. ○ The last speaker gave me the opening I was waiting for.

opening adj [attrib] a hmisa bik, pakhatnak:
his opening remarks ○ the opening scene of a film.

opening night lemcawn/lemmung an hmhu (piah) hmisa bik zan (fakseltu pawl tla an sawm): The princess attended the opening night of the opera.

opening-time n inmi thil pawl zuarnak dawer an ong ih an zuar thok caan.

opera /ˈɒpərə/ n 1 [C] tong ding pawl kha hla in sakmi lemcawn: an opera by Wagner ○ Verdi’s later operas. 2 [U] mi senpi hrangih lemcawn hnaquan: We’re very fond of opera.

opera-house n lemcawn hmuhnak inpi.
operate /ˈɒpəreɪt/ v 1 (a) [I] (fml) juan; cangvaihnak: This machine operates night and day. ○ The lift was not operating properly. (b) [Tn] cangvaihnak; munger; juaner; kil: operate machinery ○ He operates the lift. ○ The kettle is operated by electricity. 2 [I, Ipr, Itl] thil pakhat kha suaktier; zaizanter: The system operates in five contries. ○ The new law operates to our advantage. ○ Several causes operated to bring about the war.

operate (on her) immediately. 5 [I, Ipr] (of soldiers, the police, etc) raldi: bombers operating from bases in the North. ○ Police are operating on this motorway.

operable /ˈɒpərəbl/ adj at, rai juimi, rai theihmi: operable diseases of the chest ○ The tumour is operable.

operator system caan khatte ah kompeuhta program tampil tuah theinak.

operating-table n sbawi pawl ih mi an rainak mina ihnak cabunai saupi: The patient died on the operating table.

operating-theatre n (also esp US operating room) mi rainak khan.

operation /ˌɒpərəˈʃən/ n 1 [U] hnaquan, thil tualhia: I can use a word processor but I don’t understand its operation. 2 [C] minung tumpi ih tualhak, cangvaihnak: mount a rescue operation ○ at each stage of the massive police operation ○ The entire operation will take about five days. 3 (also op) [C] ○ (on sb) (for sth); ○ (to do sth) (medical) sibawi in mika taka rai, at: undergo an operation for appendicitis ○ perform an operation to amputate his leg ○ a liver transplant operation. 4 [C] hnaquan kampani: a huge multinational electronics operation.

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opener /ˈɒpərəna/ n 1 (idm) raldiak training zirnak ih vanzam, tangphawlawng, kefeh ralkap tivek pawl a burbur ih cangvaihnak: the officer incharge of operations. (b) Operation [sing] (used as part of a code name for military campaigns) raldiak hmi hman thup: Operation Overlord. (c) [C usu pl] hnaquan kampani: involved in building, banking, business operations ○ operations research, ie study of business operations to improve efficiency in industry. 6 [C] (mathematics) a dir, a kom, a zai, a zem, tivek pawl.

opposite /ˈɑːpərətiv/ v 1 (op; ant) thil pakhat kha suaktier; zaizanter: The system operates in five contries. ○ The new law operates to our advantage. ○ Several causes operated to bring about the war.

opposition /ˌɑːpərəˈtʃən/ n (usu -rest/- adj) (fml) 1 operation thawn pehpar aw in; ...hrangih hmanmi; early operational problems ○ operational cost/ expenditure, ie money needed for operating (machines, etc). 2 hman dingah a tie-arw mi; cangvai dinig a tie-arw mi: The telephone is fully operational again. ○ The squadron is not yet operational.

operations room raldiak pawl uk (control) nk khan.

oppressive /ˌɑːpərəˈtɪv/ v -rest/- adj (fml) 1 (usu pred) a tianmi; a caangmi; hman mi: This law becomes operative on 12 May. The station will be operative again in January. ○ The oil rig is now fully operative. 2 (idm) the operative word tongfang langcuang bik: The boss is hopping mad about it — and ‘mad’ is the operative word.

operator /ˈɑːpərətər/ n 1 cet le cet thil pawl a tawng thamtu, a mawngtu: a lift operator ○ a
computer operator. 2 telephone or radio a kaitu
le thantu: Dial 100 for the operator. 3 hnaa
thu pi le cetzunz tleek a neitu, a thantu: a private
operator in civil aviation. 4 Our holiday was
cancelled when the travel operator went bankrupt.

opera /ˈopərə/ n a num ih a zaangkhaimi
awmmawi thawn thuami capotawi.

ophthalmic /ˌɔfθəlˈmɪk/ adj (medical) mit thawn
a peh parmi: ophthalmic surgery.

ophthalmology /ˌɔfθəlˈmɒlədʒi/ n [U] (medical)
mit le mitnat thu zirfelnak.

ophthalmoscope /ˌɔfθəlˈməʊskəʊp/ n (medical)
mit sunglam zohnah thil.

opiate /ˈɒpiət/ n/fml (fig) bing a telmi ihmhu iiii
(nat tuar nuamter nakah tla an hmang); become
addicted to opiates o (fig derog) the opiate of
all-day television.

opinion /ˈɒpɪnʃən/ n 1 [C] (of/about sb/sth)
rualha-n; hmuhdan: political opinions o What’s
your opinion of the new President? o The
chairman’s opinion should be sought. o He was
asked to give his honest opinion. 2 [U] a thangpu
thu in mii hmhu daan: Opinion is shifting
in favour of the new scheme. o The project seems
excellent, but local opinion is against it. 3 [C]
mim ih ruahnak pemki: get a lawyer’s opinion
on the question o You’d better get a second
opinion before you let that man take out all your
teeth. 4 (idm) be of the opinion that... (fml)
Cutil zum, ruat...: I’m of the opinion that he is
right. one’s considered opinion o consider.

have a good, bad, high, low, etc opinion of sb/
sth ruat throttle...: The boss has a high opinion of
her. o She has a rather poor opinion of your
written work. in my your, etc opinion ka hmhu
daan, ka nish dau ancuun; In my opinion add in
the opinion of most people, it is a very sound
investment. a matter of opinion o matter.

opinionated (also self-opinionated) adj
(derog) ruahnak khoh zet; mai ruahnak lawng
thupi ih ruatmi: a self-opinionated young fool o He
is the most opinionated man I know.


opossum /ˈɒpəsəm/ (US possum /ˈpɒsəm/) n
America le Australia ram ih thingkung par um
pum-fa-zawi a tee pawl.

opp abbr opposite.

opponent /ˈɒpənənt/ n (a) ~ (at/in sth) dotu; khat
lamih tangmi polh: our opponents in Saturday’s
game o a political opponent o Her opponent
left the tennis court in tears. (b) ~ (of sth) thil
phun khat a dokalhtu: a fierce opponent of

nuclear arms o opponents of abortion.

opportunity /ˌɒpəˈtnjuːti/ n (fml) 1 (of
time) caan remcaang: arrive at an opportune
moment. 2 (of an action or event) caan
remcaang ih thuami, rami: an opportune
remark, statement, etc. o Your arrival was most
opportune.

opportunely adv.

opportunism /ˌɒpəˈtnjuːnɪzəm/ (US -ˈtjuːn-, -n [U]) (fig derog)
nizk lai mai zawn lawng ruahnak:
political opportunism o a record of shameless
opportunism.

opportunist n (fig derog) mai zawn lawng a
ruattu minung: There were many opportunists
and few men of principle.

opportunity (fml) to do sth caan tha; can
remcaang: have/get/find an opportunity o have
few opportunities of meeting interesting people
o have no little/no much opportunity for hearing
good music o a great, golden, marvellous, etc
opportunity to travel o I had no opportunity to
discuss it with her. o Don’t miss this opportunity:
It may never come again. o Usage at occasion.
2 (idm) take the opportunity to do sth caan
tha, caan remcaang laakh hmang: Let me
take this opportunity to say a few words. o We
took the opportunity of visiting the palace.

oppose /ˈɑːpəz/ v 1 [Tn] (a) lungkham lo zetnak
langter; do, el, ralsan ih sim: o The building
the building of a motorway o oppose a scheme o oppose
the Government o He opposed the proposal to build
a new hall. (b) (fml) (mi pakhat) zuan: Who is
opposing you in the match? 2 [Tn-pr] ~ sth, to
against sth (fml) eltai, ralsan ih sim: Do not
oppose your will against mine.

opposed adj 1 ~ to sth dhu lo zet; napin el:
She seems very much opposed to your going
abroad. 2 (idm) as opposed to kalhikeh in;
linglet in: I am here on business as opposed to a
holiday.

opposite /ˈɑːpəzɪt/ adj 1 (usu attrib) ~ (to sb/sth) ralkah;
hat lama: on the opposite page o In
England you must drive on the opposite side
of the road to the rest of Europe. o John and Mary
sat at opposite ends of the table (to each other).
2 This is Number 6, so Number 13 must be on
the opposite side of the street. 2 (used after the
n) simmi thil (minung hmui/ralkah ab): I asked
the man opposite if he would open the door. o I
could see smoke coming out of the windows of
the house opposite. o Can you see where the
grammar books are? The dictionaries are on
the shelf directly opposite. 3 (attrib) a lamdang
lori m; a ralsan m: travelling in opposite directions
o contact with the different sex, ie of men with
women or women with men o The opposite
approach is to use a bilingual dictionary.

opposite adj: There’s a couple who live
oppress

oppress v [Tn esp passive] 1 namneh; dik lo le namsuk ih uk: The people are oppressed by the communist government. 2 (infml) əm lo ko ih tuah: The heat oppressed and made him ill. ○ oppressed adj a dik lo le zaangfahnak nei lo ih namneh mi; an oppressor; people, group, class, etc. the oppressed n [pl v] namneh mi minung: the oppressed of the world.

oppression /əprəˈpresʃən/ n [U] namnehnuk; namneh mi sinak: a tyrant’s oppression of his people ○ victims of oppression.

oppressive /əprəˈpresiv/ adj 1 mi namnehut a simi; əm le zethi mi a tuahut: oppressive laws, rules, measures, etc. 2 tuar a harmi; nom lonak suahternak: oppressive weather ○ The heat in the tropics can be oppressive. oppressively adv: oppressively hot.

oppressor n hremtu; mi a namnehut; əm le dik lo ih mi a uktu: suffer at the hands of an oppressor.

opprobrious /əˈprəbrɪəs/ adj (fnl) humuhuan nautat langternak (tong kam pawl; opprobrious language, remarks, deeds, etc. ○ oppressively adv (fnl).

opprobrium /-briəm/ n [U] (fnl) mualphonak.

ops /ɒps/ n [pl] (infml) = operations (5s).

opt /ɒpt/ v 1 [Tv] tuah ding ih ruatcat; hril: He opted to go to Paris rather than London. 2 (phr) opt for sth ruat cat; hril: Fewer students are opting for science courses nowadays. opt out (of sth) tel lo dingih hril, ruat cat: I think I’ll opt out of this game.

optic /ˈɒptɪk/ adj [esp attrib] (fnl) mit le khawhmuhnak thawn pehpah aw in: the optic neree, ie from the eye to the brain. ○ optics n [sing v] mit/khawhmuhnak lam zirnak.

optical /ˈɒptɪk(ə)l/ adj [esp attrib] (fnl) kawhmuhnak a simi: optical effects and sound effects. 2 mit thawn a peb parmi; mit bawmuthu a simi: optical instruments, eg microscopes and telescopes. ○ optically /-klI/ adv.

optical art = OP ART.

optical illusion mit buum theitu thil: A mirage is an optical illusion. ○ I thought I saw a ghost but it was just on optical illusion.

optician /ˈɒptɪʃən/ n 1 mit kharh (a bikin a thalang) tivek a tuahut le a zuartu. 2 (also) ophthalmic optician: mit a zoh ih mitkharh le: ding/zuar dingah ca a ken theitu; mit sipahi: The optician said I needed new glasses. ○ I’ve just been to the optician’s, ie the optician’s practice.

optimism /ˌɒptɪˈmɪzəm/ n [U] thil a əm lam in a zoh, a ruat, a ruahsan: He was still full of optimism for the future despite his many problems. ○ There was a feeling of optimism in the country when the new government was elected. Cf pessimism. ○ optimist /ˌɑːmɪˈstɪk/ adj əm lam ih thu a ruat ringrungtu: He’s such an optimist that he’s sure he’ll soon find a job. Cf pessimist (pessimism).

optimistic /ˌɑːmɪˈtɪstɪk/ adj ~ (about sth) ruahsanak neimi a əm bok ruahsan (beisei) in: an optimistic view of events ○ She’s not optimistic about the outcome. ○ an optimistic view of events.

optimistically /-klI/ adv.

optimum /ˈɒptɪməm/ (also optimal /ˈɒptəməl/) adj [attrib] (fnl) dhuh-um bik; caan əhəbik: the optimum temperature for the growth of plants ○ enjoy optimum economic conditions.

option /ˈɑːptən/ n [U] (of actors) əm lam ih thu seet; an əm lam ih thu a ruat: I have little option, ie not much choice ○ I haven’t much option in the matter, ie I cannot choose. ○ I have little option but to go, ie I have to go. ○ He did it because he had no other option, ie no other
opulent

choice. He was given one month’s imprisonment without the option (ie alternative) of a fine. 2 (C) hril dingmi/hrilmi thil: Make a list of the various options. There weren’t many options open to him, ie there was little choice available. 3 (C) ~ (on sth) (commerce) like caan kha’ihih sungthi le i le zuar tehinak: an option on a package holiday. Have an option on a piece of land. We have a 12-day option on the house. 4 (idm) keep leave one’s options open nehnu caan thia hlang in a rust cat duh hrih lo: Don’t take the job now — keep your options open until you leave university.

- optimal [adj] (fml) adj duh hril tehinah, a tengteng a si lomi: optional subjects at school. Formal dress is optional. The cassette player is an optional extra in this make of car. I will cost extra if one chooses to have it.

- opulent [adj] (fml) 1 a lian zet mi; tam zet a neimi: opulent furnishings. 2 opulent tastes in cars. 3 tamzet: opulent vegetation.

- opulence [noun] (U) 

- opulently [adv]: opulently furnished rooms.

opus [noun] (pl opera /opora/ ) awmnawil/ha tivek mi pakhah ih phua’ahmi, suahmi: Beethoven’s opus 112. 2 (fml) cu vek hna’tum.

or (adj) conj 1 (introducing an alternative) a silohe: Is it green or blue? Is the baby a boy or a girl? Cf either...or (Either), 2 (introducing all but the first of a series of alternatives) hril tampi sungin a silohe ti vionok: I’d like it to be black, (or) white or grey. 3 cu lole, lo ahcun: Turn the heat down or your cake will burn. Cf or else, 4 (after a negative) a silohe tinsakhih hmanmi: He can’t read or write. They never dance or sing. Cf neither...nor, 5 (a) (introducing a word or phrase that explains, or means the same as, another) thil bangreip sisahman: an increase of 50p, or 10 shillings in old money. a kilo, or two pounds. geology, or the science of the earth’s crust. (b) (introducing an afterthought) hnu ih vun rust saa’mi, vun theih saa’mi: He was obviously lying — or was he? I need a new coat — or do I? 6 (idm) either...or or either, or else (a) cu lo ahcun: Hurry up or else you’ll be late. 0 You must go to work or else you’ll lose your job. (b) (infml) (used as a threat) hrinhak ih hmanmi: Pay up or else! You’d better give me that book — or else! or rather (used when making a statement more accurate or correct) ce’eki ih sim duh tihak: We stayed at my friend’s house, or rather at my friend’s parents’ house. He is my cousin — or rather my father’s cousin.

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order /ˈɔːdər/ adj (pl -s) 1 (law) authority vested in a court of record 2 right or privilege 3 the state of being orderly 4 give an order to sb 5 the formal request 6 the act of ordering 7 the person who orders 8 the place to which an order is sent 9 a plutocrat 10 a business establishment 11 any of the two major classes of animals (Chordata) divided equally into two subclasses (Cephalochordata, Vertebrata) which includes all living gnathostomes 12 a person who is given powers by an order of court. 13 the social order: the development of a social order in the city. 14 (plural) (law) statutes or rules or regulations enacted by law 15 (law) the lawful act or thing 16 (law) the power to make a will 17 (law) a legal proceeding 18 (law) a decision of a court of law 19 (law) a legal document that orders a person to do or not to do something 20 (law) a type of legal document 21 (law) a legal document that requires a person to do something 22 (law) a legal document that negates a will. 23 (law) the process of ordering or being ordered: the social order 24 (law) the process of ordering or being ordered: the act of ordering 25 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of procedure 26 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of business. 27 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of the day. 28 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of the court. 29 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of the day. 30 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of the court. 31 (law) the act of ordering or being ordered: the order of the day.
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order² /v Tn, Tn-pr, Tf, Dn-1/ thu pek; fial: The chairman ordered silence. ○ The doctor ordered me to (stay in) bed. ○ The boy was ordered out of the room. ○ The judge ordered that the prisoner should be remanded. ○ We ordered him to leave immediately. 2 [Tn, Tn-pr, Dn-n, Dn-pr] = sth (for sb) lei dingih thilceh: I've ordered a new carpet (from the shop). ○ We don't have the book in stock but we can order it. ○ He ordered himself three shirts. ○ She ordered a garden chair for her husband. 3 [I, Tn, Tn-pr, Dn-n, Dn-pr] = sth (for sb) ei-in cah (rawl dawr sungah): We haven't ordered yet. ○ I've ordered a steak. ○ She ordered lunch for (ie to be served at) 1.30. ○ He ordered himself a pint of beer. ○ I've ordered egg and chips for you.

order-book n thil cahmi pawl ngankhumnak cabu: have a full order-book.

NOTE ON USAGE: Compare tell, order, instruct, direct, command. Tell is the most generally used verb. It is not very strong and is the word used in everyday situations: I keep telling him to cut his hair but he takes no notice. ○ Do what you're told. ○ They've been told to finish the job by tomorrow. Order is stronger and is used of people in authority who expect to be obeyed: The policeman ordered the motorist to stop. Instruct and direct suggest the giving of a precise description of necessary action. They are used in impersonal and official situations: I have been instructed by the company to offer you a refund. ○ The judge directed the defendant to answer. Command is mainly used in military situations: The officer commanded his men to open fire.

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organize /ɔːɡənaɪz/ v 1 [Tn, Tn-pr] ~ sb/sth (into sth) pawlkhamwnten; hna (tuatlakng dingih pawlkwm tuah: organize a political party, a club, an army, etc. o She loves to organize people. 2 She organized the class into four groups. 2 [Tn] tiumtaw; tawrelm: organize a picnic o They organized an expedition to Everest. 3 [Tn, Tn-pr] ~ sb (into sth) pawlkwm pakhat dinsuah: organize the work force o organize peasant farmers into a co-operative. 3 organized, -ised adj 1 felfai te ih ummi: a well-organized office. 2 tiumtawmi; tawrelmi: a badly organized event o organized crime. 3 of
origin /ɑɹˈdʒɪzn/ adj 1 [attrib] a thok ihsin a ummi; a hmaisa bik: The Indians were the original inhabitants of North America. ○ I prefer your original plan to this one. 2 (usu approxe) a thil thar tuahmi; mahte hramthawmi: an orginal idea ○ His designs are highly original. ○ an original idea. (b) ruahnak thar suhpi thei: an original thinker, writer, painter, etc ○ an original mind. 3 mi ih thu/thil cawng lowo mahte tuahmi: The original manuscript has been lost; this is a copy.

original /ɔˈrɪdjʊər/ n 1 the original [C] a hmaisa bik tuahmi thiil: This painting is a copy; the original one is in Madrid. ○ This is a translation; the original is in French. 2 the original [sing] ngan hmaisa biknak ih hmanmi tong: read Homer in the original, ie in ancient Greek. 3 (in/ml esp joe) mi phundang zetl; lamding zetl a ummi: Her Aunt Effie is certainly an original.

originality /ɔˈrɪdʒʊərɪtɪ/ n [U] a hmaisa bik, a thoktu simak: Her designs have great originality. ○ The work lacks originality, ie is copied or imitated.

originally /-ɪnli/ adv 1 a hram thok veikin: speak, think, write originally. 2 a hram thokah; a thok ihsin: The school was originally quite small.

original sin (religion) (in Christianity) Adam le Eve in Eden hmuahsuq in suahkal cu mi hmuahshmuah sungah u am ti ih ruahnak, zumnak, sualhumpi.

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orient /əˈrɪnt/ v (esp US) = orientate.

oriental /əˈrɪntl/ adj Orient ram pawl thawn pehparmi: oriental art ○ a department of oriental studies.

orientate /əˈrɪnteɪt/ (also esp US orient /əˈrɪnt/ v 1 [Tn esp passive, Tn.pr] = sb/sth (towards sth/sth) (a) thilng hoitner, lutter: Try to orientate your students towards the science subjects. ○ Our company is orientated towards the export side of the business. (b) hmiutin neih; hei hmiutin: The course was orientated towards foreign students. 2 [Tn] = oneself (a) khuitkaw zawnah ka um ti kha compass thawn hawl: The mountaineers found it difficult to orientate themselves in the fog. (b) hmuun harma thar thawn kah ih um thiam: It took him some time to orientate himself in his new school.

orientation /əˈrɪnteɪʃn/ n [U] hmuun harma thar thawn kah ih dingh thilung hoitnerk: the orientation of new employees.

orientated /əˈrɪnteɪt/ (forming compound adjs) lam hoitner: a sports-orientated course.

orienteer /əˈrɪntiər/ v (esp US) = orienteer.

orifice /ɔˈrɪfɪs/ n (fml) kua, ong: the nasal orifices, ie nostrils. ○ at the dark orifice of the cave.

origin /ˈɔrɪجن/ n 1 [C, U] a hram thawh-nak; a hrampli: the origin of life on earth ○ words of Latin origin ○ The origins of the custom are unknown. 2 [C esp pt] suahkehnak; pu-pa thu: He never forgot his humble origins.
tinsel.

ornamental /ərˈnəməntəl/ adj ceimawiak hrang: Ornamental copper pans hung on the wall.

ornamentation /ˌɔːrnəməntəˈʃæn/ n [U] ceimawiak: a church with no ornamentation.

ornate /ɔːˈnet/ adj (often derog) (a) nasa zet ih ceimawiim: ornate carvings in a church ○ That style of architecture is too ornate for my taste. (b) (of prose, verse, etc) a lnok zetmi, a fiangthei lomi biaziaw: ornate descriptions ○ an ornate style.

▶ ornately adv. ornateness n [U].

ornithology /ɔrˈnɪθələˈjɪdʒi/ n [U] vate thu zetnak.

ornithological /ˌɔrɪnθəˈləʊdʒɪk/ adj (esp attrib) an ornithological survey.

ornithologist /ˌɔrɪnθəˈləʊdʒɪst/ n vate thu a thei zetmi; a zirmi.

orotund /əˈrɔrətʊnd/ adj (fml sometimes joc) 1 (of the voice) huaam neimi aw; awcewui thupi zet: the orotund tones of the priest. 2 liter-aw; pohriu-

orphan /ˈɔrφən/ n ngakjih faa: He has been an orphan since he was five. ○ [attrib] an orphan nephew.

▶ orphan v [Tn usu passive] ngakjih siter, canter: She was orphaned in the war.

orphanage /ɔrˈfənɑːdʒ/ n ngakjih pawl umnak inu.

orris-root /ˈɔrəsruːt/ US /ˈɔrəs/ rinhmui le sii hranhij a thami iris thing hram.

orth-(-comb form a dikmi; bituk: orthography ○ orthodox ○ orthopædia ○ orthopaedic.

orthodontics /ɔrθəˈdɒntɪks/ n [sing v] (medical) ha le khaberuh natakn pawl damternak, nat khamnak.

▶ orthodontic adj; orthodontic surgery.

orthodontist /ˌɔrθəˈdɒntɪst/ n le khaberuh sibawi.

orthodox /ˌɔrθəˈdɒks/ adj 1 a tlangpi thu in a dik ti ih pommi zumnak, ruanhak, ziaza: orthodox behaviour ○ Her ideas are very orthodox. Cf heterodox, unorthodox. 2 (esp religion) pom daan le kalmbang hlun pawl tekek zet ih a thlتهntu: orthodox Jews.

▶ orthodoxly /ˌɔrθəˈdɒksli/ adv 1 [U] zumnak dik, pom daan hlun thlлntu. 2 [C esp pl] (fml) orthodox zumnak, um daan, thuanhak, tivek: a firm supporter of Catholic orthodoxies.

the orthodox Church (also The Eastern Orthodox Church) Orthodox kawhran, (Grik ram le nisua lam Zurup rampawl ah antam bik):

orthography /ˌɔrθəˈɡræfi/ n [U] (fml) 1 cafang komddan; cumi zetnak: In dictionaries, words are listed according to their orthography. 2 cafang komdik.

▶ orthographic (also orthographical) /ˌɔrθəˈɡræfɪk/ -ﬁkl/ adj.

orthographically /-kəli/ adv.

orthopaedics (also orthopedics) /ˌɔrθəˈpiːdɪks/ n [sing v] (medical) ruh thawn pepbaw aw ih rainak le damternak: [attrib] the orthopaedics department in the hospital.

▶ orthopaedic (also orthopedic) /ˌɔrθəˈpiːdɪk/ adj ruh nat thawn pepbaw aw in: orthopaedic surgery on his spine.

orthopædian /ˌɔrθəˌpɛdiən/ n [U] C Zurup (Europe) ram ih a sa a thawmi vate (sa).

-ory suf (with es and ns forming adj): congratulatory ○ inhibitory.

oryx /ˈɔrɪks/ US /ˈɔrɪ/) Afrika ram ih zukneng tumpi.

OS /əʊˈɛs/ abbr 1 ordinary seaman. 2 (Brit) Ordnance Survey: on an OS map. 3 (esp on clothing, etc) outside.

Oscar /ˈɔskər/ n US ah kumtin te’n lemmung tuahnakih thiim bik pawl an pek theumi laksaawng (lemzuk): be nominated for/win an Oscar ○ He received an Oscar for his performance. ○ This film is the the winner of four oscars. Cf ACADEMY AWARD (academy).

oscillate /ˌɒsɪˈleɪt/ v 1 [I, Tn] khatlam le khatlam ah seep: A pendulum oscillates. 2 [I, Ipr] (between sth and sth) (fml fig) thinlung, ziaza, pom dan hmainer thuł-dungsiip thuł: He oscillates between political extremes. ○ Manic depressives oscillate between depression and elation. Cf vacillate. 3 [I] (physics) a caan hmanten tha le hoihnak a thleng theumi (electric tha, radio thasuar).

▶ oscillation /ˌɒsɪˈleɪʃən/ n (fml) 1 [U] dung le hmaiseepnak; thasuar thlengnak: the oscillation of the compass needle ○ the oscillation of radio waves. 2 [C] veikhat cangvaih ah nap’n a seep swmi: Her oscillations in mood are maddening.

oscillator /ˌɒsɪˈleɪtər/ n (physics) electric tha thlengnak suaherthu thuł.

oscillograph /ˌɒsɪˈləɡraf/ US -graf/ n (physics) electric tha hminusinnak thuł.

oscilloscope /ˌɒsɪˈləskəʊp/ US -skəʊp/ n (physics) electric tha a rak langterthu thuł.

osier /ˈɔsɪər/ n US /ˈɔsər/ a hange in bwam le kho tah theimi thingkung phun khat: [attrib] an osier basket.

osmosis /ˌɒsəˈmɪsɪs/ n [U] 1 (biology or chemistry) a tii mi lanternak ong tete neimi a dan paate: Blood can be cleaned by osmosis if the kidneys have failed. 2 theihjam loot le nuamte ih thuł thar cohan theimnak: Children seem to learn about computers by osmosis.

▶ osmotic adj.

osprey /ˈɒzprə/ n ngathur va (a a lu a rangh a hmur a dum).

osseous /ˈɒsəsəs/ adj (fml) ruh neimi; ruh thawn.

osify /ˈɒsɪfaɪ/ v (pt, pp -fièd) (fml) 1 ruh veikin hakter; ruh ah kangter. 2 (fml derog) khoh zet le thleng thei lo ah kangter: Beliefs have osified into rigid dogma.
ostensible

> ossification /ˈɒsɪfɪkeɪʃn/ n (U)(fml) hardening; khoternak: the ossification of traditional practices.

ostensible /ˈɒstenzəbl/ adj [attrib] buymnak hrangh thuphuhami: The ostensible reason for his absence was illness, but everyone knew he’d go to a football match.

> ostentatiously adv: ostentatiously dressed.

oste/o comb form ruh thawn pehpaw awin: osteopath o osteo-arthritis.

oste-oarthritis /ˌɔstɪəˈɔrθriːtɪs/ n [U] (medical) ruh le hlikhol nat.

osteopathy /ˌɔstɪeˈɒpθiː/ n [U] (medical) ruh le tha pawl hmeth matnak pawl dam ternak.

> osteopath /ˌɔstɪepˈθeɪt/ n damnak hrangh mihametu: An osteopath has been treating her injured back.

ostrocratise.-ise /ˈɔstrəkrətɪzaɪ/ n [U] suah, dawi; tong duh lo, bia duh lo: He was ostracized by the group for refusing to support the strike.

> ostracism n [U] (fml) dawinak, suahnak: suffer ostracism.

ostirch /ˈɔstɪr(t)ʃ/ n 1 Africa ih um hngawng saupi nei a zam thei loyi vale tumpu; kala uk va (a ke zim in a kawng tiang pi 3 a sau): [attrib] Her dress was trimmed with ostrich feathers. 2 (infml fig) thu harsa a hmaiton ngam lotu: He’s such an ostrich — he doesn’t want to know about his wife’s love affairs.

other /ˈʌðər/ indef det 1 midang; a dang: Mr Smith and Mrs Jones and three other teachers were there. 2 Other people may disagree but I feel the whole thing has gone far enough. 3 Did you see any other films? 4 Not now, some other time (ie at an unspecified time in the future), perhaps. 5 Of another. 6 (used after the or a possessive with a plural s) cu lo dang pawl; a taangmi: The other students in my class are from Italy. 7 Mary is older than me but my other sisters are younger. 8 I haven’t read ‘Cymbeline’ but I’ve read all the other plays by Shakespeare/all Shakespeare’s other plays. 9 (idm) every other = every, none other than = none. one after the other = one, the other day, morning, week, month, etc tu baite: I saw him in town the other day. somebody/something/ somewhere or other = or, this, that and the other = this.

> other adj [attrib] a...than... (fml) a dang... duh: You’ll have time to visit other places than those on the itinerary. 2 Other women than Sally would have said nothing.

others pron 1 midang pawl; a dang pawl: Some people came by car, others came on foot. 2 Those trousers Shoes don’t fit — haven’t you got any others?... others who replied to the invitation — none of the others bothered.

> other than prep (esp after a negative) 1 siar lo (except): He never speaks to me other than to ask for something. 2 She has no close friends other than him. 3 ti siar lo cu: I have never known him behave other than selfishly. 4 She seldom appears other than happy.

other-worldly /ˌʌðərwɜːldl/ adj leithan thu hnakin thlarau thu a ngaihtuahtu, a ruattu.

otherwise /ˈɔðəwaɪz/ adv 1 (fml) a dangsin; phundang in, lamdang in: You obviously think otherwise. 2 He should have been working, but he was otherwise engaged, eg doing something else.

> otherwise conj cuti lo asile: Put the cup back on the bottle, otherwise the juice will spill. 3 We must run, otherwise we’ll be late. 4 Do as you’re told, otherwise you’ll be in trouble.

otherwise adj [pred] ruh vek si loin: The truth is quite otherwise.

otiose /ˈɒtjəʊs/ US wiˈɑʊs/ adj (fml) thuānem lo, a tul nauhnom (tong, ruhnak tike pawl); long, otiose passages of description.

Otter /ˈɒtə(r)/ n (a) [C] sahrem. (b) [U] sahrem hmuil: [attrib] a jacket made of otter skins.

ottoman /ˈɒtˌmæn/ n puan le thuamhnaun renakhin hmanmi zuan nello tokham kuang saupi.

OU /ˈɔu/ abbr (Brit) Open University: an OU degree in maths.

oublie /ˌʊblie/ n (esp formerly) leilung tanglam ih thuami thawngmng.

ouch /autʃ/ interj (expressing sudden pain) rino no ruangh ahbramnak: Ouch! That hurts!

ought to /ˈɔt.tu/ before vowels and finally ‘ot tu/ modal v (neg ought not; contracted form oughtn’t /ˈɔtn/ 1 (a) (indicating obligation) tuah Thurs langter: We ought to start at once. 2 You ought...
to say you're sorry. ○ Such things ought not to be allowed. ○ They oughtn't to let their dog run on the road. ○ 'Ought I to write to say thank you?' 'Yes, I think you ought to.' ○ She ought to have been more careful. ○ Usage 1 at must. (b) (indicating advice or recommendation) ruahnak pek; lungkimpinak langter: You ought to improve your English before going to work in America. ○ There ought to be more buses during the rush hour. ○ You ought to have been a teacher, ie She would probably have been a good one. ○ Usage 2 at must. (2 (drawing a tentative conclusion) si dingly awm-angmi simnak: If he started at nine, he ought to be here by now. ○ That ought to be enough food for all of us. ○ Look at the sky — it ought to be a fine afternoon. ○ Usage 3 at must. Ouija /ˈwɪdʒə/ (also Ouija-board) n (proper) mithi hnenin a rami thu an timi pawl hmininank thingpheng.

ounce /aʊns/ n 1 [C] (abbr oz) cuai thlai bym khat thi then 16 (thawng khat (awngs)). 2 [sing] (~ of sth (infml) (used esp with neg us) malte; ziang zat hman: She hasn't an ounce of common sense. ○ There's not an ounce of truth in his story.

our /aʊr/ possessive det 1 kannmai: Our youngest child is six. ○ Our main export is rice. ○ Has anybody seen our two dogs? ○ They want us to show some of our colour slides. 2 Our (used to refer to or address God, etc) Pathian biak tikih simmi: Our Father; ie God. ○ Our Lady, ie the Virgin Mary.

ours /aʊrs/ possess pron kannmai ta: Their house is similar to ours, but ours has a bigger garden. ○ Your photos are lovely-do you want to see some of ours?

ourselves /əˈsɜːlz, əˈsaʊzl, əˈsɑːlz/ reflex, emph pron (only taking the main stress in sentences when used emphatically) 1 (reflex) (used when I and another or others, or I and you, cause and are affected by an action) kannhate in; kannhate: We've often thought of going there ourselves. 2 (idm) by ourselves (a) kan mahlawwing. (b) bawnmu um loin. -ous aff (with ns forming adj) longhep sinak phurtu: poisonous ○ mountainous ○ glorious. ○ -ously (forming adverbs) gloriously.

ousness /ˈəʊsnɪs/ n (forming uncountable ns) spaciousness.

oust /əʊst/ v [Sn, Tn-pr] ~ sb (from sth) (fml) hnaqhun long; dawn: oust a rival from office ○ He was ousted from his position as chairman.

out /aʊt/ adv part (For special uses with many vs, eg pick sth out, put sb out, see the v entries) 1 suak, suah ter, suahpi: go out for some fresh air ○ get up and walk out ○ open the door and run out into the garden ○ open the door and run out into the garden ○ open a bag and take sth out ○ find one's way out ○ lock sb out ○ She shook the bag and some coins fell out. ○ Out you go? ○ Go out! Cf in. 2 (a) inn ah um lo; hnaqhun nak ah umlo: I phoned Sally but she was out. ○ The manager is out at this moment. ○ Let's go out this evening/have an evening out, eg go to the cinema, a restaurant, the theatre, a disco, etc. (b) (of a book, record, etc) library ah um lo (leng ah an suah): The book you wanted is out. Cf out. 3 (indicating distance away from land, one's country, a town, etc) lam hilapi ah um: The boats are all out at sea. ○ She's out in Australia at the moment. ○ He lives right out in the country. ○ The ship was four days out from Lisbon, ie he had left Lisbon four days earlier. 4 (indicating that sth is no longer hidden) thil pakhath thu ah si nawn lo thu a sim: The secret is out, ie revealed or discovered. ○ The flowers are out, ie open. ○ The sun is out, ie not behind a cloud. ○ Her new book is out, ie published. ○ There's a warrant out (ie issued) against him. ○ Out with it! ie Say what you know. 5 (used with superlative adj) a um nawn lo: It's the best game out.

owe /əʊ/ verb (Tn) (tr) have an evening out ○ Our Father. 6 dinhmun, thuanhmun nea nawn lo; um nawn lo: The Labour Party went out in 1980. Cf out. 7 warmi ah si lo (hinpuan ti vekhah): Flared trousers are out this year. Cf out. 8 miah le mah thei aw lo (tihnak tivek ruangah): He's been out (cold) for ten minutes. 9 (of a tide) tipi tidai a kai ah ti um salmi: We couldn't swim — the tide was too far out. Cf in. 10 duhn lakht langter dinhfeh le au: The dockers in Liverpool are out. 11 (infml) a cangh thei lo; duh um lo: Swimming in the sea is out until the weather gets warmer. 12 (of fire, lights, burning materials, etc) limit, a mit, mitter: Ther fire, gas, candle, etc is out. ○ The fire has gone/burnt out. (Cf The fire is still in.) ○ All the lights were out in the street. ○ Put that cigarette out! ○ The wind blow the candles out. 13 a net tiang; tuah suak: hear sb out ○ work out a problem ○ Supplies are running out, ie becoming low. ○ fight it out, ie settle a dispute by fighting ○ I'm tired out, ie exhausted. ○ before the week is out, ie finished. 14 flang le ring in: call/cry/shout out ○ the need to speak out about sth ○ say sth out loud ○ tell sb sth right/straight out. 15 (indicating a mistake) tuat sual; a salmi a kihhmuh: be out in one's calculations, reckoning, etc ○ We're ten pounds out in our accounts. ○ Your guess was a long way out, ie completely wrong. ○ My watch is five minutes out, ie showing a time five minutes earlier or later than the correct time. 16 (sport) (a) (in cricket, baseball, etc) lek nawn lo; baang zo: The captain was out for three, ie after having made
only 3 runs in cricket. ○ Kent were all out for 137. (b) (in tennis, badminton, etc) of a ball, etc) rilnleih ih a lami: He lost the point because the ball was out. Cf in1 10. 17 (idm) all out ⇒ all. be out for sth ngah duh ih zuam; ngah duh zet: I’m not out for compliments. ○ He’s out for your blood, ie seeking to attack you. be out to do sth thil pakhat tumtah ih zuam: I’m not out to change the world. ○ The company is out to capture the Canadian market. out and about ihkhun ih hm hu-ah dam ih th the fhe thei saal: It’s good to see old Mr Jenkins out and about again. out and away (with superlatives) a hleih: She was out and away the most intelligent student in the class.

d out n 1 (US) (in baseball) a bannak. 2 (idm) the ins and outs ⇒ in².

d out-and-out adj [attrib] tlamtling in; rori in: an out-and-out crook, professional. out- pref 1 (with es and ns forming transitive vs) hleih; lan; khelh: outlive o outgrow o outnumber o outwit. 2 (with ns) then; thiatdan; a dang te’n ret: outhouse o outpost. 3 (with vs forming ns, adjis and adves): outburst o outgoing o outspokenly.

outback /aʊtˈbæk/ n [sing] (esp in Australia) minung malte umnak ram thuuk: They were outclassed by the Italians of the race.

outbid /ˈaʊtbaɪd/ v (-dd- pt, pp outbid) a man sangbik pek (li-lan ih thil zuamak ah): She outbid me for the house.

outboard /ˈaʊtboʊd/ /,-boʊd/ mauta(r)/ tangphawlawng fate dungah an thlaih mi, thawn a hlatnak ramlak: You can sleep outdoors.

outburst /ˈaʊtbrʌst/ n lmakhhatte ih a suakmi (nat sia tivek): an outbreak of typhoid, hostilities, rioting, etc.

outbuilding /ˌaʊtˈbɪldɪŋ/ n inn kiangte ah a dantage ih sakmii in te: a large farmhouse with usefal outbuildings.

outburst /ˈaʊtbrʌst/ n (a) puukkai; pawtsuak: an outburst of steam from the pressure-cooker. (b) thinling, umzia puukkai: an outburst of laughter, anger, etc o an outburst of vandalism.

outcast /ˈaʊtkaʊst; -ˌkaʊst/ US -ˈkeɪst/ n, adj ⇒ (form...) (person) hnomni, khaaki; inn nei lo, ralpi nei lo: be treated as an outcast.

outcaste /ˈaʊtkaʊst; -ˌkaʊst/ US -ˈkeɪst/ n, adj (esp in India) (person) minung dinhmun sungih tehli somi; cumi sungin dawimi; hnomni; phun le hnam ih siar tlaak lo mi.

outclass /ˈaʊtklɑːs; US -ˈklaɪs/ /-ˈklæs/ [Tn esp passive] hleih; sawn: I was outclassed from the start of the race. ○ In design and quality of manufacture they were outclassed by the Italians.

outcome /ˈaʊtkəʊm/ n (usu sing) thusuak; rahsuahmi; a hung saakmi thil: What was the outcome of your meeting?

outcrop /ˈaʊtkraʊp/ n (gelology) leilung par ih huim thiem a thuah thunta.
outflank /otaɪˈflæŋk/ v [Tn] (fml) (a) rail pawl umnak kap in kuhl: an outflanking movement. (b) rino thil tuh pakhat ruangih nehtu ding dinhmun thlen: He was totally outflanked in the debate.

outflow /ˈautfləʊ/ n [C usu sing] ~ (from sth) a liam; a thlawt: a steady outflow from the tank: an illegal outflow of currency.

outfox /ˈautfɒks/ v [Tn] (infml) hrokhrawnik in mi neh: He always outfoxes his opponents at chess.

outgrows /ˈautɡroʊz/ [pl] paisa hmanmi; hman zat: monthly outgoings on rent and food.

outgrow /ˈautɡrəʊ/ v (pt outgrew /ˈautɡruː/ pp outgrown /ˈautɡrəʊn/) [Tn] 1 thankhelh: He’s outgrown his older brother. 2 hnipuan tlem lo ko ih thang: He’s already outgrown his older brother. 3 bansan; taanta: outgrow bad habits, childish interest, etc: He’s outgrown his passion for pop music. 4 (idm) outgrow one’s strength a than tuknak ah a tawnjai, thangaa.

outgrowth /ˈautɡrəʊθ/ n [pl] paisa hmanmi; hman zat: monthly outgoings on rent and food.

outhouse /ˈauthaus/ n 1 inn lenglamih inn fate; deuthiam: She did her washing in one of the outhouses. Cf OUTSIDE. 2 (US) inmleeh ih zanpanng thlawnak.

outing /ˈautɪŋ/ n nomnak khualtlawn (nomtlawn): an outing to the seaside: go on an outing: the firm’s annual outing to the theatre.

outlandish /ˈautlandɪʃ/ adj: outlandishness n [U].

outlast /ˈautlɑːst/ US ‘lɑːst/ v [Tn] rei a daih sawn; a mungrei sawn: This clock has outlasted several owners. o This political system will outlast most of us. Cf OUTLIVE.

outlaw /ˈautlɔː/ n (formerly) upadi daan ih a hambhimnak lengah suhnmi: Bards of outlawed lived in the forest. o outlaw v [Tn] 1 (formerly) mipakhat kha daan lengah ret. 2 thil pakhat upadi daan thawn a kaih lo tiah than: outlaw certain addictive drugs.

outlay /ˈautleɪ/ n ~ (on sth) (a) [U] hmaïlam hnaatuan thransok hrangih bnnak paix haamnmi: There was very little outlay on new machinery. (b) [sing] hi tivek hmaïlam paix: a considerable outlay on basic research.

outlet /ˈautleɪt/ n 1 ~ (for sth) (tidai, tikhu tivek) suahnak ong: an outlet for water: the outlet of a lake: an outlet valve. 2 ~ (for sth) (fig) irh suahnak, phnuansuahnak ong: Children need an outlet for their feelings. o He needs an outlet for all that pent-up anger. 3 (commerce) kampani pakhat ih suhnuh thil pawl a rak zuartu daw: This cosmetics firm has 34 outlets in Britain.

outline /ˈautləʊt/ n 1 a kap thaanrr: She could see only the outline(s) of the trees in the dimlight. o [attrib] He drew an outline map of Italy. 2 a thlawtpang pawl: an outline of an essay, a lecture, etc: an outline of European History. 3 (idm) in outline a thlawt thlawtpang lauwgsimg: describe a plan in (broad) outline.

outlive /ˈautlɪv/ v [Tn] 1 a kap thlaan in rin: He outlined the triangle in red. 2 a tawi nakin, a thlawp thu in nghan, sim: We outlined our main objections to the proposal.

outlive /ˈautlɪv/ v [Tn] mung rei sawn: He outlived his wife by three years. o (fig) When he retired he felt that he had outlived his usefulness, ie he was no longer useful. Cf OUTLAST.

outlook /ˈautlaʊk/ n ~ (onto over sth) khua cuaniih hhmuhni: The house has a pleasant outlook over the valley. 2 ~ (on sth) hmuah daan, thir daan: a narrow outlook on life: a tolerant, forgiving, pessimistic outlook. 3 ~ (for sth) cang dingh swm-angmi; hmaïlam ruahsannak: a bright outlook for trade: a bleak outlook for the unemployed: further outlook, dry and sunny, eg as a weather forecast.

outlying /ˈautlaɪɪŋ/ adj [attrib] a laifang ihsin a hlatnak: outlying regions: outlying villages, with poor communications.

outmanoeuvre (US outmaneuver) /ˈautmænʊvər/ v [Tn] fml hrukhrawlnak in thiq hla: He was completely outmanoeuvred in his campaign to win the support of other ministers.

outmoded /ˈautmɒdɪd/ adj (often derog) hman naun lo: san man lo: outmoded ideas, styles, views, etc.

outnumber /ˈautnʌmər/ v [Tn esp passive] tam sawn; hleih: The demonstrators were outnumbered by the police. o We were outnumbered two to one by the enemy, i.e There were twice as many of them.

out of /ˈaut əʊ prep 1 ihsin; lengah: Mr Green is out of town this week. o Fish can survive for only a short time out of water. Cf in’t 1. 2 ihsin; sungin: jump out of bed: go out of the shop o
outpatient (indicating motive or cause) ti dhu sannak; a runagh: do sth out of mischief, spite, malice, etc □ help sb out of pity, kindness, generosity, etc □ ask out of curiosity. 4 (mi tampa) lakin, sungin: Choose one out of the six. □ To give you only one example out of several…. 5 ihsin (tuamni): the hat was made out of pieces of wood. □ She made a skirt out of the material I gave her. Cf from 8, or 5. 6 (thil pakhat) hlawsham, lo in: I'm beginning to feel out of patience. □ He's been out of work for six months. □ be out of (ie have no) flour, sugar, tea, etc. 7 a um lo: These books are out of order. □ He's still in hospital but out of danger. 8 a thu umcia vekin; ihsin: a scene out of a play by Pinter □ copy a recipe out of a book □ drink orange juice out of the can □ pay for a new car out of one's savings. 9 (indicating the loss of sth, esp as a result of dishonesty) bum runagh thi hlo: cheat sb out of his money (See v entries for similar examples.) 10 ihsin a hlatnak zat: The ship sank 10 miles out of Stockholm. 11 tel lo: pehpar lo: It's a dishonest scheme and I'm glad to be out of it. □ Brown is out of the England team □ You'd better get petrol here — where we're going it may be hard to find. 12 (idm) out of it (infml) a burh sungil teh lo runagh riahsa: We've only just moved here so we still feel a bit out of it. □ She looks rather out of it — perhaps she doesn't speak English.

outpatient /ˈaʊtpətənt/ n sizung to loan a longlam in si a zawhtu: If you do not require surgery you can be treated as an outpatient. □ [attrib] the outpatient department.

outplay /ˈaʊtpleɪ/ v [Th esp passive] khatlam hnakin tha sawn ih lek: The English team were totally outplayed by the Brazilians.

outpoint /ˈaʊtpɔɪnt/ v [Th esp passive] (boxing tivekah) a hmat tam sawn in neh: He was outpointed by the champion.

outpost /ˈaʊtpɔst/ n 1 lamhathal ralvennak ih retmi (ralkap bur). □ lamhathal ih hmunham khuar pohpoh: a missionary outpost in the jungle □ (joe) You'd better get petrol here — where we're going is the last outpost of civilization.

outpouring /ˈaʊtpɔrɪŋ/ n (usu pl) phuan lo tehin lo thinhung ihr put: out pourings of the heart □ an outpouring of frenzied grief □ the outpourings of a madman.

output /ˈaʊtpuːt/ n [sing] 1 [cet, minung tivekah] thilsuk sauwaws: The average output of the factory is 20 cars a day. □ We must increase our output to meet demand. □ the literary output of the year, ie all the books, etc published in a year. 2 (cet pakhat ih) a sauhmi tha: an output of 100 watts. 3 (computing) computer ihsin sauhmi thuhlha tehilnernak. Cf input. □ output v (pt, pp output or outputted) [Thn] (computing) thu suhahter. Cf input v.
□ output device thu rakh thuat computa thilri.

outrage /ˈaʊtraɪdʒ/ n (derog) 1 [C, U] huatsuah le that lonak maksak (tuamni): outrages committed by armed mobs □ never safe from outrage. 2 [C] mili lau ternak, thinheng ternak: ‘The building of the new shopping centre is an outrage,’ she protested. 3 [U] thinhainak le thinhennak maksak: When he heard the news he reacted with a sense of outrage. □ He leapt up and down in sheer outrage.
□ outrage v [Th esp passive] rihsiatte thinhengter, lauter: outrage public opinion □ They were outraged by the announcement of massive price increases.

outrageous /ˌaʊtrɪˈdʒəs/ adj 1 mihinther thei, lauter thei: ziaza tha lo: His treatment of his wife is outrageous, ie much too high. 2 a lam dangzet; mi ih tuah keel a si lomi: outrageous hats at Ascot □ outrageous remarks to designed to shock listeners.
□ outrageously adv: outrageously expensive clothes □ outrageously pornographic magazines.

outran /ˈaʊtraɪn/ v [Thn] (fnb) hnatuan dinhmun a hleih: Colonel Jones outranks everyone here.

outre /ɔːt; treɪ/; US ɔːtr/ adj (French derog or joc) (esp of behaviour, ideas, tastes, etc) (nunzia, in-ei tivek ah) hawizawng lo; lamdangzet: an outrage style of dress □ She likes to shock people with her outrage remarks.

outrider /ˈaʊtraɪdər/ n bawi upa khiveng dingah mawtaw-saikal to ih a thlunhut: The President’s car was flanked by motor-cycle outriders.

outtrigger /ˈaʊtraɪɡər/ n 1 long kaphi thil bunni (zuamawkan akistol lo long diayah fek ternak ih hnammi). 2 hivhek bunni tong.

outright /ˈaʊtraɪt/ adj 1 long hugan; thulpeheh um loan: I told him outright what I thought of his behaviour. □ nuamten si loan hmakhat te ah: be killed outright by a single gun shot □ buy a house outright, ie not by instalments. □ lawlaw: He won outright.
□ outright adv [attrib] 1 lunghinnam um lomi; suup lomi: an outright denial, refusal, etc. □ a thilak: She was the outright winner.
□ outrival /ˈaʊtrɪvl/ v (4-b) US also -r [Thn] (fml) lehnak ah neh; thiam sawn: She outreals him at all board games.

outrun /ˈaʊtɹʌn/ v (pt outran /ˈaʊtraːn/, pp outrun) [Thn] than cak sawn; thlanneh; hireh: The favourite easily outran the other horses in the field. □ (fig) His ambition outran his ability, ie He was ambitious to do more than he was able.

outsell /ˈaʊtsɛl/ v (pt, pp outsold /ˌaʊtsɔld/) [Thn] thil zuar neh: The Japanese can outsell any competitor in the market. □ lamtsawm zuarngh: This model outsells all others on the market.

outset /ˈaʊtsɛt/ n (idm) at the outset of sth a thokte in:ah: At the outset of her career she was full of optimism but not now. □ From the outset it was clear that he was guilty.

outshine /ˈaʊtʃaɪn/ vt (pt, pp outshone /ˈaʊtsəʊn/)
The young girl violinist outshone her competitors. Amazingly, the job went to a rank outsider. The outside of the house needs painting. Outside her brothers and sisters she has no real friends.

Amusingly, the job went to a rank outsider. Outside /ˌautˈsaɪ/ adj [usu attrib] (sometimes derog) of clothing or people: a tumbuangmi: outside dresses for larger ladies. Outside /ˌautˈsaɪts/ n [pl] khuapi pakhat ih a lenglam deuh; a zimleeg: They live on the outskirts (ie in an outlying district) of Paris. Outsmaart /ˈautsmɑːrt/ v [Tn] fim deuh; depdeh deuh: We outsmarted them and got there first by taking a shorter route.


Outspread /ˈautˈsprɛd/ adj pharhmi: She ran towards him with outspread arms/with arms outspread.

Outstanding /ˈautˈstændɪŋ/ adj 1 a tha tuk: a tha hleicc: an outstanding student, piece of work, performance. 2 [usu attrib] a langsarmi: the outstanding features of the landscape. Outstanding landmark 3 of payment, work, problems, etc) pek hrirh lo ih a tangmi (paissa); tawrel suak hrirh lomi (thu buan); tuan suak hrihlimo (hnaatjan): outstanding debts. A good deal of work is still outstanding. Outstandingly adv: outstandingly good. Outstandingly good play outstandingly well.

Outstation /ˈautˈsteni/ n lamhlatpi ih colhnak hmun; tambhuarnak hmun; thangleng colhnak tivek.

Outstay /ˈautˈsteɪ/ v [Tn] 1 rei euang a lengmi, a tomi, a ummi: outstay the other guests. 2 (idm) outstay overseas one’s welcome: WELCOME.

Outstretched /ˈautˈstrɛktʃ/ adj (with limbs) kut-ke napin puhrari: He lay outstretched on the grass. Outstretched with arms outstretched. Outstrip /ˈautˈstriːp/ v (pp) [Tn] 1 lan; cak deuh ih thian: We soon outstripped the slower runners. 2 thupi deuh, tum deuh ah cang: Demand is outstripped current production.

Outvote /ˈautˈvoʊt/ v [Tn esp passive] thurel nakah mi tamsawn ih neh; vawt ih neh: Richard and David tried to get the question put on the agenda but they were heavily outvoted.

Outward /ˈautwərd/ adj [attrib] 1 of a journey: He got lost on the outward journey. 2 a lenglam: the outward appearance of things. To (all) outward appearances (ie As far as one can judge from the outside) the child seems very happy. 3 minung pakhat ih a lenglam umtuzia: She gives no outward sign of sadness she must feel. An outward show of confidence concealed his nervousness. Outwardly adv: a langmi ah; a lenglam hmuh ah: Though badly frightened, she appeared...
outweigh

outwardly calm.

outwards /-wadz/ (Brit) (also esp US outward) adv. ○ Usage at forward2. 1 a length hoi in: The two ends of the wire must be bent outward(s). ○ Her feet turn outwards. 2 a length ah suakin: a train is travelling outwards from London. outward bound um hmuan ih suakin: The ship is outward bound. ○ [attrib] the outward bound train. Outward Bound Movement a length le harmakah mino pawl zirhnak nei ding tumtahnak: [attrib] an Outward Bound (Movement) School.

outweigh /-oʊ-thi/ v (Tn) a ri-hnak, thupitnak, le man neihnakh hleh; rit deh: This outweighs all other considerations. ○ The advantages for outweighs the disadvantages.

outwit /-wɪt/ v (Tt) [Tn] finnak (asiloole) depdetnak thawn neh: Two prisoners outwitted guards and got away.

outwork /-ˈwɜːrk/ n [U] khawpi ih suan ciphnop in suah ih innsangah bun le pehmi thil: do outward for a clothing factory.

outworker n outward hna a quantu: Outworkers in the clothing industry are badly paid.

outworn /-wɜːrn/ adj [usu attrib] hman theih nawn lo; sanman lo: outworn scientific theories ○ outworn practices in industry.

owzle /ˈəʊzl/ n aw a thami leibual ph vnphkplng phn phnk hkt: a ring owzel.

ouzo /ˈuːzoʊ/ n [U] Greek pawl ih zu phunkhat.

ova pl of ovum.

oval /ˈəʊvəl/ adj arti pih ih hlummi; malte a sawilma: The play ground is a large oval. ○ an oval-shaped face ○ The mirror is oval.

ovary /ˈəʊvərɪ/ n 1 cii hrrahg tl a sem tertu numau (asiloole ramso a nu) sul sungi taks: an operation to remove diseased ovaries. Cf ovum. 2 (botany) cii a suahth thingkung hrampi ih a par.

ovarian /-ərɪˈæn/ adj [attrib] ovary thawn a pehparmi: an ovarian cyst.

ovation /əʊˈveɪʃən/ n zapi ih lom le thangqhat: She received an enthusiastic ovation from the audience. ○ The speaker was given a standing ovation, ie The audience stood to clap, etc.

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outweigh /-oʊ-thi/ v (Tn) a ri-hnak, thupitnak, le man neihnakh hleh; rit deh: This outweighs all other considerations. ○ The advantages for outweighs the disadvantages.

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ova pl of ovum.

oval /ˈəʊvəl/ adj arti pih ih hlummi; malte a sawilma: The play ground is a large oval. ○ an oval-shaped face ○ The mirror is oval.

ovary /ˈəʊvərɪ/ n 1 cii hrrahg tl a sem tertu numau (asiloole ramso a nu) sul sungi taks: an operation to remove diseased ovaries. Cf ovum. 2 (botany) cii a suahth thingkung hrampi ih a par.

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overawe /əʊvərəʊ/ v [Tn usu passive] tïtfer, tuksüsumer, upat: overawed into submission by senior colleagues ◦ He was overawed by rather grand surroundings.

overbalance /əʊvərˈbælsən/ [v] [I, Tn] hawr, thu zik rero: He overbalanced and fell into the water. ◦ If you stand up you'll overbalance the canoe.

overbearing /əʊvərˈbɛərɪŋ/ (derog) mai thuthu ih midang thil thuater; mi neekrawk hmang: an overbearing manner.

overbearingly adj: overbearingly proud.

overbid /əʊvərbɪd/ v (ts~pt, pp overbid) [Tn] lilan thil zuarnak ah midang hnakih tamsawn pe thei. 2 [I, Tn] (phetahkhn ah) mai comi phi hnakih man tam sawn ih sim. Cf underr. ◦ overbid /əʊvəbd/ [n].

overblown /əʊvəblɔʊn/ adj (of flowers) a par that lai a huan deuhmi, par uai: overblown roses ◦ (fig) overblown beauty. 2 (fml) a hleifuan ih thil ti; titer aw: an overblown style of writing.

overboard /əʊvəbɔːd/ adv 1 longkap in tadai sungah: fall, jump, be washed overboard. 2 (idm) go overboard (about sb/th) (insf/often derog) (thil pakhat parah) thu tho tuk: He goes overboard about every young woman he meets.

throw sth/sb overboard taanta; baanansan; thà pe nawn lo: After losing the election the party threw their leader overboard.

overbook /əʊvəbʊk/ [v] [Tn esp passive] (vanzam, riahnah tivek) a ham ciatu an tam tuk: The flight was overbooked.

overburden /əʊvərˈbɜːdn/ [v] [Tn esp passive] ~ sb (with sth) hnaatuan, thirit tamtuk ih nen: overburdened with committee meetings ◦ overburdened with guilt, remorse, debt.

overcapitalize, -ise /əʊvərˈkeɪpəlɪzaɪ/ [v] [Tn] (hnaatuanah, kampani pakhat) ih sunsaw sang tukih tuat. ◦ overcapitalization, -isation /əʊvərˌkeɪpəlɪzaʃən/ [n]

overcast /əʊvərkɑːst/ US ‘koʊst/ adj van a dur; mero in a zek: a dark, overcast day ◦ It's a bit overcast — it might rain. ◦ (fig) a gloomy, overcast (ie unhappy) expression on his face.

overcharge /əʊvərˈtʃɑr/ v [I] (Ipr, Tn, Tn-pr, Dn-n) ~ (sb) (for sth) 1 a man tam tukih ngen: That grocer never overcharges. ◦ We were overcharged for the eggs. ◦ They overcharged me (by) £1 for the shopping. Cf Undercharge. 2 tet tuk, khat tukih thun, khin: overcharge an electric circuit. ◦ (fig) a poem overcharged with
overcoat /ˈəʊvəkəʊt/ n (also dated topcoat) lænhruk korhial: He wore a hat, gloves and an overcoat.

overcome /ˈəʊvəkəm/ v (pt overcame /ˈkəmi/, pp overcome) 1 [Tn] neh: He overcame his bad habit o He overcame a strong temptation to run away. 2 [I] (fml) neh: We shall overcome! 3 [Tn usu passive] tawnnai, derthawmter: he overcome by gas fumes o be overcome by/with grief, anger, despair, etc. 4 [Tn (busainak)] nesnak dingh lamzin hawl: We’ll overcome that difficulty when we get to it.

overcompensate /ˈəʊvəkəmpənˈseɪt/ v [I, Ipr] - (for sth) (palh-nak, tawn tahl-nak tivek) rem ding a hleifuantukih zuam: He had overcompensated for the effect of the wind, and taken the aircraft off course. o Working mothers often overcompensate for their absences from home by spoiling their children.

over-compensation /ˈəʊvəkəmpənˈseɪʃən/ n [U].

overcrop /ˈəʊvəkrɒp/ v (pp) [Tn] leeling dawn cem thé ko in thlai rawl ciin le laak.

overcrowded /ˈəʊvəˈkrɔːdɪd/ adj khat tuk; tet tuk: Shops are very overcrowded before Christmas. o overcrowded bus, train, etc.

overcrowding /ˈəʊvəˈkrɔːdɪŋ/ n [U] minung khahtuknak: the serious overcrowding in the poorer areas of the city.

overdo /ˈəʊvədəʊ/ v (pt overdid /ˈdɪd/, pp overdone /ˈdʌn/) [Tn] 1 tam tuk, a hleifuan ih tuah, sim: She rather overdid the sympathy, ie was so sympathetic that she did not seem sincere. 2 a hlei tukih cawn: The comic scenes in the play were overdone. 3 hmangtuk: Don’t overdo the garlic in the food — not everyone likes it. o I think they’re rather overdone the red in this room, ie used too much red paint, wallpaper, etc. 4 rei tuk suang; ut ko ih suang: The fish was overdone and very dry. 5 (idiom) overdo it things (a) zuam tuk; jum tuk, a hlei ih thluah: He’s been overdoing things recently. o You must stop overdoing it you’ll make yourself ill. (b) (tmahthi hlensuah thei dinghah) a hlei tukih zuam: He was trying to be helpful, but he rather overdid it.

overdose /ˈəʊvədəʊs/ n tun khat ah si tamtuk ei/ in: take a massive overdose of sleeping tablets o die of a heroin overdose o (fig) I’ve had rather an overdose of TV this week, ie watched too much.

overdose /ˈəʊvədəʊs/ v 1 /ˈəʊvədəʊs/ [Tn, Tn-pp] - sb (with sth) (sii) tam tukih pek: He’s been overdosing himself. o She overdosed the old woman with pain-killers. 2 /əʊvədəʊs/ [I, Ipr] - (on sth) sii tam tukih ei/in: He overdosed (on sleeping-pills) and died.

overdraft /ˈəʊvədrɑːft/ US -ˈdræft/ n bankah mai paisa khalmai hunakin tam deuh suah-nak: He has a huge overdraft to pay off. o I took out an overdraft to pay for my new car. o [attrib] an overdraft arrangement.

overdraw /ˈəʊvədrɔː/ v (pt overrew /ˈdrɔː/, pp overdrew /ˈdrɔːr/) 1 [I, Tn] mai khalmai hunakih tam deuh suah. 2 [Tn] poh tuk: The characters in this novel are overdrawn, is not true to life. o overdrawn /ˈəʊvədrɔːn/ adj (a) (of a person) a luan ih (suahmi): I am overdrawn by £500. (b) (of an account) a luan ih (suahmi): a heavily overdrawn account.

overdress /ˈəʊvədres/ v [I, Tn usu passive] (usu derog) a hleifuan ih thil thum bruk: a luan ih ceimawi avk: I feel rather overdressed in this suit — everyone is wearing jeans!

overdrive /ˈəʊvədrʌv/ n 1 maatawkak cakzet ih mawn laah datki tivek ei tuk lo dingin (gear) dantage bun betmi. 2 (idiom) go into overdrive (fig) rang tukih mawng; nasa tukih zuam: She always goes into overdrive (ie starts working very hard) before the holidays.

overdue /ˈəʊvədjũː; US -dʒuː/ adj [usu pred] a caan kheh ih pe lo, rul lo; suak lo: These bills are overdue, ie should have been paid before now. o The baby is two weeks overdue, ie still not born two weeks after the expected date of birth. o The train is overdue, ie late.

overeat /ˈəʊvərēt/ v (pt overate /ˈeɪt/, pp overaten /ˈeɪtn/) [I, Tn esp passive] (film tivek) tleu ah tam tuk, rei tuk langter. Cf UNDEREAT.

overexpose /ˈəʊvərɪkˈspiːz/ v [Tn esp passive] (film tivek) tleu ah tam tuk, rei tuk langter. Cf UNDEREXPOSE.

overflow /ˈəʊvəfləʊ/ v 1 [I, Tn] tidai a liam: Your bath is overflowing. o The river overflowed (its banks). 2 [I, Ipr, Tn] ~ into sth) tlem lo ih darh: The meeting overflowed into the streets. o The audience easily overflowed the small theatre. 3 [Ipr] ~ with sth khat le liam in, liam thiuhshlo in: overflowing with happiness, kindness, gratitude, etc o a heart overflowing with love. o overflow /ˈəʊvəfləʊv/ n 1 [U] (a) ti a liamnak: stop the overflow from the cistern. (b) a liammi: Put a bowl underneath to catch the overflow. o [attrib] an overflow canal. 2 [U, sing] hmun pakhat ih lem lo, tam tuk: a large overflow of population from the cities o find a smaller hall for the overflow from the main meeting. 3 [C] (also overflow pipe) tidai liamterak tidawng: The overflow from the bath is blocked.
overfly /ˌəʊvərflaɪ/ v (pt over flew /-fləʊ/; pp over flown/-fləʊn/)[Tn] (khua, ram) thin in zam: The journey back took longer than normal, because the plane could not overfly the war zone.

overgrown /ˌəʊvərɡrOwn/ adj 1 [usu attrib] rang tuk tumtukh a thangmihnaw: That man behaves like an overgrown child. 2 [pred] = (with sth) a pit a sah tukmi thingkung hrampi pawl ih khuhmi: walls overgrown with ivy o The garden's completely overgrown (with nettles).

overgrowth /ˌəʊvərɡrOuθ/ n 1 [U, C] thilawh ih tuah suaknak ding nehnak dingah a qulmihnakin nasu dauh ih tuakhn: It was surely overkill to screen three interviews on the same subject in one evening.

overland /ˌəʊvərlænd/ adj lei parihf feh, khuaullawn: an overland route, journey, etc.

overlook /ˌəʊvərlʊk/ v (pt, pp over looked /-lʊkt/)[I, Tn, Tn-pr] 1 a zim a thuh swmi: a boat made of overlapping boards o The tiles on the roof overlap one another. 2 (fig) thi: a tong amin: Our visits to the town overlapped. o His duties and mine overlapped, ie cover part of the same area of interest.

overlap /ˌəʊvərlæp/ v (pp) [I, Tn] 1 a zim lam a thuh awmi thin: an overlap of 30 cm o a large overlap. 2 [U] thi an thuh awnak thi: There is no question of overlap between the two courses.

overhang /ˌəʊvərhæŋ/ v (pt, pp over hung /-hænt/)[I, Tn] thi:zaa; muuk; khuh: The ledge overhangs by several feet o The cliff overhangs the beach.

overhead /ˌəʊvərhId/ adj 1 samik zet le railing zet in cekfel ih a tulmi pawl rem: have the engine of a car overhauled o (fig) the language syllabas needs to be completely overhauled. 2 man ih lan: The fast cruiser soon overhauled the old cargo boat.

overhaul /ˌəʊvəroʊl/ v (pt, pp overhauled /-rʊld/)[Tn] 1 famkim zet ih cekfel hnu ah tulmi hmiawmhin remnak: I’ve taken my typewriter in for an overhaul. o The engine is due for an overhaul. o (infl ml joc) I am going to the doctor for my annual overhaul, ie physical examination.

overhead /ˌəʊvərHɛd/ adj 1 leilung par si loin a tho deuh; minung pakhat ih luthan: overhaul wires, cables, etc o an overhaul railway, ie built on a level higher than the street. 2 overhaul thawn a peh parmi: overhaul expenses, charges, etc.

overhear /ˌəʊvərHɪər/ v (pt, pp over heard /-hʊrd/)[Tn, Tng, Tni] mi ih thu remi amnai thoh lo ih rak tehghang; rinlopi ih mi thurel ngai ngah, tehghang: I overheard their argument/them. o I overheard them quarrelling. o I overheard him say/saying he was going to France.

overjoyed /ˌəʊvərˈdʒɔɪd/ adj [usu pred] = (at sth/ to do sth) hungowinmah nakaktak ih a hkatmi: He’ll be overjoyed at your news. o She was overjoyed to hear about the arrival of the baby.

overkill /ˌəʊvərˈkɪl/ n [U] (usu fig) thi: pakhat tuah suaknak ding nehnak dingah a tulmihaknin
overmastering

overmastering /əʊvəˈmɑːstərɪŋ/ US -mɑs-/ adj [esp attrib] (fml or rhet) nee sawh; nehkhkh; luakhkh: an overmastering passion, ie one that is difficult to control.

overmuch /əʊvəˈmʌtʃ/ adj, adv (fml) (esp with a negative e) tuk; tamtuk; nasa tuk: His book did not display over-much talent. ○ I do not like her overmuch.

overnight /əʊvəˈnɪt/ adj 1 zankkh sun: stay overnight at a friend’s house, ie sleep there for the night. 2 (infml) a zanjan in; hmathekhat ah; zamrang zet in: She became a celebrity overnight. ○ overnight /əʊvəˈnət/ adj [attrib] 1 zan ah; zan khat: an overnight journey ○ an overnight bag ○ an overnight stop in Rome. 2 (infml) hmathekhat ah; zamrang zet in: an overnight success.

overpass /əʊvəˈpɑːs/ US -pəs/ n (esp US) (Brit also flyover /flaɪˈvər/) mawtauck lamzin thunh blawn. Cf underpass.

overpay /əʊvəˈpeɪ/ vt (pt, pp overpaid /ˈpeɪd/ [Tn, Tn-pr] ~ sb for sth) tam tuk, sangtukih pek: They don’t exactly overpay their work-force. ○ I think he’s overpaid for the little he does. Cf underpay.

overplay /əʊvəˈpleɪ/ v 1 [Tn] thupi tukih ruat; nasatukih thupitukih pek: overplay certain factors ○ You must not overplay his part in the negotiations. Cf underplay. 2 (idm) overplay one’s hand (mah le mah thupitukih ruat awk ruangah) harsat/thij um zet pawl t’wanvo laak: The union is in danger of overplaying its hand in the current dispute.

overpower /əʊvəˈpəʊvər/ v [Tn] neh: The burglars were easily overpowered by the police. ○ He was overpowered by the heat. ○ overpowering /əʊvəˈpəʊvərɪŋ/ adj caktuk; nasatuk: find the smell is overpowering ○ over powering grief.

overprint /əʊvəˈprɪnt/ v (a) [Tn, Tn-pr] ~ sth (with sth) cangam um ciam mi paran am bet: overprint stamps with a new price. (b) [I, Ipr, Tn, Tn-pr] ~ (st) on sth nam bet: Additional material is overprinted in red. ○ overprint a grid on a map. ○ overprint /əʊvəˈprɪnt/ n (fml) nam beti thil.

overrate /əʊvəˈreɪt/ v [Tn esp passive] sangtukih ruat: man khungtukih ret: I think I overrated him; he can’t handle a senior job. ○ He overrated his abilities as a salesman. Cf under-rate.

overrated adj (derog) sangtukih ruatmi: I think his work is extremely overrated.

overreach /əʊvəˈrɛtʃ/ v 1 [Tn no passive] ~ oneself (esp derog) sang tukih tuntah ruangah hiensuah lo: Don’t apply for that job; you’re in danger of overreaching yourself.

over-react /əʊvəˈrɛkʃt/ v [I, Ipr] ~ (to sth) harsatnuk, thij-nunnak a um tikah a luantukih t’an laak; luantukih leh ruhl: She tends to over-react when things go wrong. ○ He over-reacted to the bad news.

over-reaction /əʊvəˈrɛkʃən/ n [U, C]: The stock-market panic was simply over-reaction to the news from Tokyo.

override /əʊvəˈrəʊvəd/ v (pt override /ˈrəʊvəd/), pp overridden /ˈrəʊvənd/ [Tn] 1 (midang ruahnak, tuahmi kha) ziang siar lo ih bhun sak: disregard sb’s views, decisions, wishes, etc ○ They overrode my protest and continued with the meeting. 2 (thupitukih ruat) nehkhuhter: Considerations of safety override all other concerns.

overriding /əʊvəˈrʌdɪŋ/ adj [usu attrib] thil dang bhun ak thupi sawnmi: It is of overriding importance to finish the project this week.

overrule /əʊvəˈrʌlu/ v [Tn] a sang deuhmi thu in a niem deuhmi ih thu thencat zomi a rem sak, a siat bal sak: overrule a claim, objection, etc ○ The judge overruled the previous decision. ○ We were overruled by the majority.

overrun /əʊvəˈrʌrn/ v (pt overrun /ˈrəʊrn/, pp overrun) 1 [Tn esp passive] cil neh ih laak, luah khat: a country overrun by enemy troops ○ a warehouse overrun by rat. 2 [I, Tn] (caan) a luan ih peh: The lecturer overrun by ten minutes. ○ the news programme overrun the allotted time.

overseas /əʊvəˈsiːz/ adj tipi ral, randang: overseas trade ○ an overseas broadcast ○ overseas students in Britain. ○ overseas adj tipi ral, randang ah: go, live, travel, etc overseas.

oversee /əʊvəˈski/ v (pt oversaw /ˈsɔː/, pp overseen /ˈsʌn/) kilkhawi; (hnaquan pawl) kil, zoph: You must employ someone to oversee the project. ○ overseer /əʊvəˈsiər/ n lanaçuwan pawl kil, hotu: the production overseer ○ The overseer was explaining the job to young trainees.

over-sexed /əʊvəˈsɛksəd/ adj mipa nunau hiarnak a bleece mi; mipa nunau pawl-awk ding a ruat tukuh; a bur tukuh. Cf under-sexed.

overshadow /əʊvəˈʃəʊd/ v [Tn esp passive] sangtukih ruatmi, phen: a village overshadowed by mountains ○ Large oak trees overshadow the garden. 2 (fig) nuam lo deuh, lungawi lo deuh ko ih canter: His recent death overshadowed the family gathering. 3 (fig) thupi lo deuh, longcu lo deuh ih canter: Despite her professional success, she was always overshadowed by her husband.

overshoe /əʊvəˈʃəʊ/ n tidi le ciarbek khamtu ah a lengh hruk betmi kedam: a pair of overshoes ○ She removed her overshoes at the front door. Cf calzoes.

overshoot /əʊvəˈʃɒt/ v 1 (pt, pp overshoot /ˈʃɒt/) hlan; hmuitin hnakhi blat deuh feh, zam, kap, etc: The aircraft overshoot the runway. ○ We overshoot the exit for Manchester on the motorway. 2 (idm) overshoot the mark path; thelh.
oversight /ˈəʊvərˌsɒt/ n (a) [U] zhubliam lo ruangih hmu lo: Many errors are caused by oversight. (b) [C] hi tivek thil cang: Through an unfortunate oversight your letter was left unanswered.

over-simplify /ˈəʊvərˌsɪmplɪfɪ/ v (pt, pp -fied/-faɪd) [I, Tn esp passive] a ol zawng tukih simfiang: an over-simplified analysis of the problem we face.  o an over-simplified interpretation of the reasons for the child's behaviour.

> over-simplification n [C, U] a ol zawng tukih fianternak.

oversleep /ˈəʊvəslɛp/ v (pt, pp overslept/-sleppt/) [I] it thu; reituk it: I'm afraid I overslept and missed my usual bus.


oversstaff /ˈəʊvəstɑːf/ v US -staff/ adj a fulmi hnakih tam sawn hnuatantu nei; No wonder the company makes a loss: the office is terribly oversstaffed. Cf undersized, undersized.

overstate /ˈəʊvəstɛt/ v portuk, uar tukih simim: Don't overstate your case or no one will believe you.  o The problems have been greatly overstated.


oversay /ˈəʊvəseɪ/ v [Tn] caan khiahmi hnakih reituk it: We're already overstayed our visit to Aunt Sophie.  2 (idm) outstay/oversay one's welcome = WELCOME.

overset /ˈəʊvəset/ v 1 (-pp-) [Tn] lan; luanko ih feh: overset one's authority = the overset the bounds of modesty.  2 (idm) overset the mark a launtukih nuncan: It's surely overstepping the mark to behave so rudely to your guests.

overstock /ˈəʊvəstəʊk/ v [Tn, Tn-p] = sth (with sth) tlem lo dingih thilret: a shop overstocked with out-of-date furniture  o overstock a farm with cattle, ie with more cattle than there is food and space for.

overstrung adj 1 /ˈəʊvəstrʌŋ/ (of person) tha thir neimi; thin thawh ol tukmi: She was tense and overstrained before the performance.  2 /ˈəʊvəstrʌŋ/ pakhat pakhat a kalh zawn ih ummi (piano) hri.

oversubscribe /ˈəʊvəsʌbˌskrɪb/ v [Tn esp passive] (esp finance) a dahlo tiangih tamtuk cah: Tickets for this concert have been oversubscribed.  o The flight has been oversubscribed; there are no seats.


> overtly adv (fml): overtly critical of his work.

overtake /ˈəʊvəteɪk/ v (pt overtook /ˈʌtʊk/, pp
overweight  o  I'm overweight by 2kg according to my doctor.
   ▷ overweighted  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'wetid/ adj (fm1) thil tambuk phur; thiar: overweighted with packages.
   o  (fig) Her lecture was overweighted with quotations.

overwhelm  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'weləm; US 'hweləm/ v [Tn usu passive] (a) khub thieh; phim thieh: overwhelmed by a flood.  o  A great mass of water overwhelmed the village.  o  (fig) be overwhelmed with grief, sorrow, despair, etc  o  (fig) Overwhelmed with gratitude, he fell to his knees.  (b) n neh (a bik in ral kap thazaang thawn) be overwhelmed by the enemy/ by superior forces.
   ▷ overwhelming adj [usu attrib] neh dingah a hartukmi; anasa tukmi: an overwhelming urge to smoke  o  an overwhelming victory  o  The overwhelming majority of people, ie the majority by a great number.
   overwhealrnly adj: overwhelmingly successful, generous.

overwork  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'work/ v 1 [I, Tn] a heiluan-tukih mnaatjanu; taimak tuk: You'll become ill if you continue to overwork.  o  overwork a horse.  2 [Tn esp passive] tongfang tivek hman tamtuk ruangah a sullam a pauner; hmal a nee thei lo: an overworked phrase, metaphor, expression, etc  o  ‘Situation’ is a word that is greatly overworked.
   ▷ overwork /۸۸۸۸۸v 'work/ n [U] reituk le taimatukih mnaatjanu: ill through overwork  o  stress caused by overwork.

overwrought  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'rət/ adj donhar; helhkam; ninghang; thinlau: She was in a very overwrought state after the accident.  o  She didn’t mean to offend you; she was overwrought.

oviduct  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'dɪkt/ n = fallopian tube; nau- Inn pehtu kua.

oviparous  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'pərəs/ adj (biology) ti tit ih opmi pawl.

ovoid  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'wrd/ adj, n (fm1) arti piankeng: large oval pebbles.

ovulate  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'vlut/ v (medical or biology) sul sung in nunau ci (tii) suah: Women who do not ovulate regularly have difficulty in becoming pregnant.
   ▷ ovulation  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'vljən/ n [U]: She is taking a drug to stimulate ovulation.

ovum  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'vəm/ n 1 (pl ova /۸۸۸۸۸v 'və/ (biology) nunau ci (tii). Cf ovo.

owe  /۸۸۸۸۸v/ v 1 a) [IWr, Tn, Tn-pr, Dn-n, Dn-pr] baak: He still owes (us) for the goods he received last month.  o  He owes (his father) £50.  o  He owes £50 to his father.  (b) [Dn-pr] ~ sth to sb/sth cumi ruangah, anah ruangah: We owe the greatest discovery to Newton.  o  He owes his success more to luck than to ability.  2 [Dn-n, Dn-pr] ~ sth to sb (a) tuano nei ih um: owe loyalty to a political party, one’s union, the company, etc.  (b) thil ti sakmi ruangih lungawinak neih: I owe my teachers and parents a great deal.  o  I owe a lot to my wife and children.  3 (idm) the world owes one a living  o  world.

owing  /۸۸۸۸۸v 'wİŋ/ adj [pred] (esp of money that has been earned, lent or promised) sam hrih lo; baak laimi: £5 is still owing.
   ▷ owing to prep ruangah: Owing to the rain, the match was cancelled.

owl /۸۸۸۸۸v/ 1 (a) sumbuh (fimmak khuhmuhtu ih rust a rak si).  2 (idm) wise as an owl  o  wise.
   ▷ owlet /۸۸۸۸۸v 'lt/ n sumbuh faate.

owlish adj sumbuh vek; fim tuak; fim hmelpu: Her new glasses make her look rather owlish.

owlishly adv: owlishly earnest.

own  /۸۸۸۸۸v/ 1 [used after possessives to emphasize the idea of personal possession or the individual character of sth] mahte a siak; mahte a kawml; mahte a ruangah.
   o  Children need toys of their own.  o  I wish I had my (very) own room, ie I didn’t have to share one, borrow one, etc.  o  Your day off is your own, ie You can spend it as you wish.  o  For reasons of his own (ie particular reasons that perhaps only he know about), he refused to join the club.  2 (used to indicate the idea of personal activity) midang si lo mahti tukh. She makes her own clothes.  o  I can cook my own meals.  It’s unwise to try to be your own lawyer.  3 (idm) come into one’s own lon flak, hminthang flak siak a co. She really comes into her own when someone is ill.  o  This car really comes into its own on rough ground.  hold one’s own (against sb/sth) (in sth) (a) dodaltu lakah dinhmun a bekmi; a sung lom: She can certainly hold her own against any body in an argument.  (b) thal cem lo: The patient is holding her own although she is still very ill.  o  of one’s own mah ih neihmi; mah ih ta: He’d like a car of his own.  o  Children need toys of their own.  all on one’s own (a) mah lawng: I’m all on my own today.  o  She lives on her own.  (b) bom le kilkhawi tul lo; mahlte: He can be left to work on his own.  o  Although her father is in the firm, she got the job on her own.  (c) (infml) a tha bik; a hleice: When it comes to craftsmanship, Sally is on her own, ie is better than anyone.  = Usage at alone.
   get have one’s own back on sb (infml) mahlte leh-rul sam: After the fight the defeated boxer swore he’d get his own back on his rival.
   o  own brand a tualhtu si loin a zuartu dawr hmin khenmi thiuri pawl: [attrib] Own brand goods are often cheaper.

own goal mah le mah kawl awkmi.

own  /۸۸۸۸۸v/ 1 [Tn] nei; ta: This house is mine; I own it.  o  She owns a car but rarely drives it.
Who owns this land? 2 [Ips, To; Tf, Co-a, Co-n] ~ (to sth/doing sth) (dated) sulphuran; a si le si lo dikih sim: own to having told a lie ○ Finally she owned the truth of what he had said. ○ They own that the claim is justified. ○ He owned himself defeated. 3 (phr) own up (to sth) (infml) ka mawh tih phuan: Nobody owned up to the theft. ○ Eventually she owned up.

owner /ˈɔnər/ n neitu: the owner of a black Mercedes ○ Who’s the owner of this house?

ownerless adj neitu um lo; tatu nei lo: ownerless dogs ○ wrecked ownerless cars.

ownership n [U] neitu sinak; ta sinak: The ownership of the land is disputed. ○ Ownership of property involves great expense. ○ The restaurant is under new ownership.

owner-driver n a mawngtu cu a neitu; mai mawtawk amahle mawngtu.

owner-occupied adj mai inn ah mah um: Most of the houses in this street are owner-occupied.

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