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Y, y /waɪ/ *n* (pl **Y's**, **y's** /waɪz/) Mirang (*English*) cawang ih a kulhluan-nganak: 'Yak' begins with (a) Y/Y'.

□ **Y** chromosome (biology) mi pa taksa ah a paakih a ummi ci; nunau taksa ih a ummi X chromosome thawn an rawi-aw tikah mipa a seem. Cf X CHROMOSOME (X).

Y-fronts *n* [pl] (*Brit prop*) Y linglet zawngih thitmi mipa bawngbi sungbruk: a pair of Y-fronts.

-y¹ (also **-ey**) *suff* **1** (with *ns* forming *adjs*) a khat, nei: *dusty* ○ *icy* ○ *clayey*. **2** (with *vs* forming *adjs*) tending to: *runny* ○ *sticky*.

▷ **-ily** (forming *advs*). **-iness** (forming uncountable *ns*).

-y² *suff* **1** (with *vs* forming *ns*) cawlcaang daan; thanso vivo daan: *inquiry* ○ *expiry*. **2** (also **-ie**) (with *ns* forming diminutives or pet names): *piggy* ○ *doggie* ○ *daddy* ○ *Susie*.

Y *abbr* **1** yen¹. **2** /waɪ/ (*US infml*) = YMCA, YWCA.

Y /waɪ/ *ymb* (**a**) (also **y**) (*mathematics*) a zat theih lomi can-ai (or) ai-awh: $x = y + 2$. (**b**) theih lomi, nilai can-ai ih hmanmi: *Mr X met Miss Y*.

yacht /jɒt/ *n* **1** tiffinriat parih tlan zuam-awknak hrangih tuahmi puanzar lawng zaang phunkhat: [attrib] a yacht race, club crew ○ a sand yacht, ie yacht-like vehivle with wheels for use on sand. **2** tiffinriat parah nomnak khual tlawnnak ih hmanmi ceet lawng tumpi. Cf DINGHY.

▷ **yacht** *v* [I] yacht lawng thawn khual tlawng: *I go yachting most weekends in the summer*.

yachting *n* [U] yacht lawng hlau thiamnak le zirnak: [attrib] yachting equipment.

□ **yachtsman** /-smən/ *n* (pl **-smen** /smən/ *fem* **yachtswoman**) yacht lawng thawn khual tlawng theutu.

yack /jæk/ *v* [I, Ipr, Ip] ~ (**away/on**) (**about sb/sth**) (*sl*) (a thupi lomi) baang lo ih tɔng: *Joy kept yacking (on) about the wedding*.

▷ **yack** *n* [usu sing] (*sl*) thil thupi lo reel tlaangnak: *having a good old yack with the neighbours*.

yackety-yack /jækətɪ 'jæk/ *n* [U] (*sl*) cat baang lo ih tɔngtu.

yahoo /jə'hu:/ *n* (pl **~s**) mawi lo le mitkemza minung: [abbrib] a yahoo attitude.

yak /jæk/ *n* Asia ram laifang ih ummi kisau zet hmul sau zet nei caw phun khat.

Yale /jeɪl/ *n* (also **Yalelock**) (*propr*) sangka hrangih hmanmi tawh merh thei phun khat.

yam /jæm/ *n* **1** (**a**) kawlhra. (**b**) kawlhra kung. **2** (US) kawlhra phun.

yammer /'jæmə(r)/ *v* [I, Ipr, Ip] ~ (**on**) (**about sb/**

sth) (*infml derog*) cat bang lo ih phunzai/hraang/tlok: *I do wish they'd stop yammering on about the size of the bill*.

yang /jæŋ/ *n* [U] (in Chinese philosophy) a tleu ih a caangvai zetmi, lei-le-van ih Daan a Pa. Cf YIN.

Yank /jæŋk/ *n* (*infml*) = YANKEE.

yank /jæŋk/ *v* [I, Ipr, Tn, Tn-pr, Tn-p] (*infml*) hawinak lam zawn nei ih thil diir, phih: *She yanked (on) the rope and it broke*. ○ *yank the bedclothes off one's bed* ○ *yank out a tooth*, ha phawi.

▷ **yank** *n* hmakhatte ih diir cai sutsi: *The old chain only needed a couple of yanks before it snapped*.

Yankee /jæŋki/ (also **Yank**) *n* **1** (*Brit infml*) USA ih a um minung pawl: [attrib] Yankee hospitality. **2** (US) (**a**) New England ram saklam ih um minung pawl. (**b**) America ramsung raal do-awknak ih federal acozrah ralkap.

yap /jæp/ *n* (**-pp-**) [I, Ipr] **1** (**at sb/sth**) (a hleice in uico fate) ring zet ih bo. **2** (*sl*) ralring lo/ziang hman ruat lemlo ih tɔng ruri: *Stop yapping!*

▷ **yap** *n* Uico bo thawmvaang.

yard¹ /jɑ:d/ *n* **1** (**a**) tual/sum tual. (**b**) (US) = BACKYARD (BACK²). **2** hruang sung/hruang kulhmi a sunglam: a railway yard/marshalling yard, ie an area where trains are made up, and where coaches, wagons etc are stored ○ a builder's yard.

yard² /jɑ:d/ *n* **1** (*abbr yd*) a sau lam pi 3, asilole, ruhpri bok (*letmah*) 36: *Can you still buy cloth by the yard in Britain?* **2** lawng puanzar tarnak thuum dotu thing.

▷ **yardage** /jɑ:dɪdʒ/ *n* [C, U] kaihfung ih tahmi: a considerable yardage of canvas.

□ **yard-arm** *n* kaih fung ih a zim veve, lole, a zim lam pakhat khat; lawng puanzar dotu.

yard of ale (**a**) pi 3 lai a saumi tial no, lole, thlalang-hai sungih zu/beer (*ale*). (**b**) zu innak ih hmanmi thlalang-hai.

yardstick /jɑ:dstɪk/ *n* ~ (**of sth**) tahfung: *Durability is one yardstick quality*. ○ *We need a yardstick to measure our performance by*.

yar-mulka /jɑ:mʊlkə/ *n* Judah mipun mipa pawlih lukhuh hlum/bial, thlacam tikih hmanmi.

yarn /jɑ:n/ *n* [U] phiar ding leh tah dingih tuahmi sahumul pathri. **2** [C] (*infml*) thuanthu, khualtlawngtu-ih thuanthu. **3** (idm) **spin a yarn** ⇨ SPIN.

▷ **yarn** *v* [I] (*infml*) thuanthu sim: *We stayed up yarning until midnight*.

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yarrow

yarrow /jærəv/ n [C, U] a rim a hmui zet le a naal zetmi pangpar phunkhat: *hedgerow full of yarrow.*

yashmak /jæf mæk/ Muslim nunau pawlih hmai khuhnak/hmai tuamnak puan.

yaw /jɔ:/ v [I] tangphawlawng, asilole vanzamleng pawl lamzin ding/dik le hmaan ihsin pial/peng. Cf PITCH³ 6, ROLL² 6.

yawl /jɔ:l/ n (nautical) **1** (a) puanzar khainak thuam pahnih (a sau le a tawi) nei lawng (boat). **2** lawngtumpi ih hrenmi lawng fate.

yawn /jɔ:n/ v **1** hahhaam. **2** (of large holes, etc) kaupi ih ong: *The deep crevasse yawned at their feet.* ○ a yawning chasm ○ (fig) a yawning gap between the rich and poor in our society.

▷ **yawn** n **1** hahham. **2** (usu sing) (infml derog) thin tho lo/mi cerh za: *The meeting was one big yawn from start to finish.*

yawz /jɔ:z/ n (sing or pl v) nisatnak le khuasat nak hmun le ram ih vun nat (taksa a sen ih tumpipi in a thling).

yd abbr (pl **yds**) pi thum, kaih khat. Cf FT, IN.

ye¹ /ji:/ pers pron (arch) (pl of thou) nangmah.

ye² /ji:/ pronounced as **the**/ det (zu dawr, dawr hmin pawl ih hmanmi) ðong hlun, lole, hlan ðong 'the' ai-ih hman a si: *Ye Olde Bull and Bush*, eg on a pub sign.

yea /jei/ adv, n (arch) a si. Cf NAY.

yeah /jeə/ adv (infml) **1** a si (rin lopiin hmanmi awsuah). **2** (idm) **oh yeah?** (ðongmi zum lonak hmuh saktu): *'I'm going to meet the Prime Minister.' 'Oh yeah? Very likely!'*

year /jɪə(r), also jɜ:(r)/ n **1** [C] kum, ni 365. **2** [C] (also **calendar year**) January ni 1 ih sin December ni 31 tiang – ni 365, asilole, ni 366: *in the year 1865* ○ *the year after next* ○ *a good year for cheap vegetables*, ie a year in which vegetables are available cheaply. **3** [C] a sang sang, asilole, a dotdot in ni 365 sung: *It's just a year (today) since I arrived here.* ○ *I arrived a year ago (today).* ○ *She's worked there for ten years.* ○ [attrib] *a five-year forecast.* **4** [C] tlawng kum khat, tangka kum, etc: *It's just a year (today) since I arrived here.* ○ *I arrived a year ago (today).* ○ *She's worked there for ten years.* ○ [attrib] *a five-year forecast.* **5** [C usu pl] minung kum, damlai caan: *twenty years old/of age* ○ *a seventy-year old man* ○ *She looks young for her years/for a woman of her years*, ie looks younger than she is. ○ *He died in his sixtieth year*, ie at the age of 59. **6 years** [pl] (infml) a rei zet: *I've worked for this firm for years (and years).* ○ *It's years since we last met.* **7** (idm) **the age/years of discretion** ⇒ DISCRETION. **all (the) year round** kum tuan in, kum pumhlum in: *He swims in the sea all year round.* **donkey's years** ⇒ DONKEY. **man, woman, car, etc of the year** kum khat hrangah a hleice ih hrilmi minung le thilri: *TV personality of the*

year. not/never in a hundred etc years um dah hrimhrim lo. **old beyond one's years.** ⇒ OLD. **put years on sb** tar deuh in a lang: *The shock put years on him.* **ring out the old year and ring in the new** ⇒ RING². **take years off sb** noter; kum noter: *Giving up smoking has taken years off her.* **the turn of the year/century** ⇒ TURN². **year after year** cat bang loin kum tam zet sung. **year after year** kum tin in, kum tin tein: *Year by year their affection for each other grew stronger.* **the year dot** (infml) a liam/a cem ciami tikcu rei zet ah: *I've been going there every summer since the year dot.* **year in year out** kum tin in/kum siar in. **year of grace; year of our lord** (fml): *in the year of our Lord 1217*, ie AD 1217.

▷ **yearly** adj, adv kum tin in, kum siar in: *a yearly conference/a conference held yearly.*

□ **year book** n cabu (thuhla pakhat thu) kum tinih suahmi.

year long adj [attrib] kum khat sung, kum khat daih: *a year-long lecture tour.*

yearling /jɪəlɪŋ/ n ðilva kum khat le kum karlak, kum nomi ðilva, rang, caw, tivek: *a race for yearlings* ○ [attrib] *a yearling filly.*

yearn /jɜ:n/ v [I, Ipr, It] ~ (for sb/sth) duh zet/hiar zet/ngai zet: *a yearning desire* ○ *She yearned to return to her native country.*

▷ **yearning** n [C, U] ~ (to do sth); ~ (to do sth) thinlung ih hiar/ngai zet(nak). **yearningly** adv.

yeast /ji:st/ n [C, U] (type of) thilnu, col: *brewer's yeast* ○ *baker's yeast.*

▷ **yeasty** adj col telmi, col vek. **yeastiness** n [U].

yell /jel/ v **1** [I, Ipr, Ip] (out) (at sb/sth); ~ (out) (in/wth sth) ring zet ih au/kio/ta:p: *Stop yelling, can't you!* ○ *She yelled (out) at her mischievous child* ○ *yell out in anguish, terror, pain, etc* ○ *yell with fear, agony, laughter.* **2** [I, Ipr, Tn, Tn-pr, Tn-p] ~ (at sb) (about/for sth); ~ (out) sth (at sb/sth) ring zet ih ðong/sim: *She yelled at him about his constant drunkenness.* ○ *The crowd yelled (out) encouragement at the players.* ⇒ Usage at SHOUT.

▷ **yell** n **1** nat tuar ruangih hrumnak: *a yell of terror* ○ *let out an ear-splitting yell.* **2** (US) pawl pakhat tha peek tikih au daan phun khat.

yellow /jeləv/ adj **1** (a) aihre. (b) (often offensive) Asia ram nisuahnak lam umtu pawl ih taksa vun pianhmang. **2** (also **yellow-bellied**) (infml derog) ralhrut: *I always suspected he was yellow.* **3** (idm) **a yellow streak** nuncan ah raalhrut.

▷ **yellow** n (a) [C, U] aihre pianzia: *several different yellows* (ie shades of yellow) in the paintbox. (b) [U] a aihre mi thilri: *wearing yellow.*

yellow v [I, Tn] (cause sth to) aihreter: *yellowing autumn leaves* ○ *The manuscript had yellowed/*



- was yellowed with age.
- yellowish, yellowy** *adjs* aihre deuh.
- yellowness** *n* [U].
- **yellow card** bawlung lehnak ah phirit tumtu (*refree*) in a lektu kha 'ralring aw!' tiih a hmuh mi aihre rongnei thil tlepte (*card*). Cf RED CARD (RED).
- yellow fever** [U] khua satnak ram ih natnak phunkhat vun aihretetu nat.
- yellow flag** ðihnung zianghman a um lo ti langternak ih lawng le siizung pawl ih taarmi puanzar aihre.
- yellow-line** motor ret lo ding ti theihternak ih lamzin kap ih aihre riin: *You can't park on a double yellow line.*
- yellow pages** ca-tlap aihreparih nganmi telephone hmadaan khiih hmuhnak.
- the yellow press** (*infml derog*) casiartu pawl siarpaihnak/hipnak dingah, thu/thil lamdang deuh nganmi casual, asilole, thuthangca.
- yellow-hammer** /jələʊhæmə(r)/ *n* vate phun khat (a pa ih lu, hngawng, le awm a aihre).
- yelp** /jelp/ *n* ring zet ih beleuh, ðap/thawm: *The dog gave a yelp when I trod on its paw.*
- ▷ **yelp** *v* [I] naa zet ruangah thinheng zet au, bo.
- yen**¹ /jen/ *n* (*pl* unchanged) Japan tangka fangkhat.
- yen**² /jen/ *n* [*usu sing*] ~ (for sth/to do sth) (*infml*) hiar/ngai/duh emem: *I've always had a yen to visit Australia.*
- yeo-man** /jəʊmən/ *n* (*pl -men /mən/*) (*Brit*) **1** (*esp arch*) lo neitu (*farmer*): [*attrib yeoman farmers*]. **2** mi phunsaang, le bawiphun sungkua hnaʔuantu hnen-um.
- ▷ **yeomanry** /-rɪ/ *n* [Gp] (*Brit*) (**a**) ram kau zetzet neitu. (**b**) lothlotu pawl ihsin maih thute ih rang to ralkap ih luttu.
- **Yeoman of the Guard** siangpahrang kilvengtu.
- yeoman service** (*esp rhet*) a ðul laifang ih bomnak hnaʔuan: *retiring after 40 years' yeoman service to the company.*
- yes** /jes/ **1** (**a**) (nemhnggetnak ih hmanmi) a si: *'Is this a painting by Picasso?' 'Yes, it is'* ○ (*emphatic*) *'Don't you want to come with us?' 'Yes, of course I do.'* (**b**) thu simmi a hman/a dik tinak leh thu simtu a lungkim a si tinak: *'English is a difficult language.'* *'Yes, but not as difficult as Chinese.'* ○ *'Isn't she sweet?' 'Yes, she is.'* (**c**) dilnak lungkimnak le siannak simnak: *'Can I borrow this record?' 'Yes, of course.'* **2** sawmnak le pekmi ka cohlang tinak: *'Coffee?' 'Yes, please.'* **3** hmin kawh tikah "um" tiih awih salnak: *'Williams.'* *'Yes, sir.'* ○ *'Waiter!' 'Yes, madam.'* **4** duhmi ziang a si ti sutnak: *'Yes?' 'I'd like 2 tickets, please.'* Cf NO *interj.*
- yes** *n* (*pl yeses /jesɪz/*) lungkim/pom/cohlaang, lole, za-awi ti nemhnggetnak: *Can't you give me a straight (ie direct) yes or no?*
- **yes-man** /jesmæn/ *n* (*pl -men /-men/*) duhsaknak le lungkimpinak ngah dingin tlunlam upa le hotu pawl ih thu el lo ih thlun ringringtu.
- yesterday** /jestədi, -deɪ/ *adv* mizan, mani: *He arrived only yesterday.* ○ *It was only yesterday that he arrived.* ○ *I can remember it as if it were yesterday.* ○ *Where were you yesterday morning/afternoon/evening?*
- ▷ **yesterday** *n* [U, C often *pl*] **1** mizan, mani: *Yesterday was Sunday.* ○ *Where's yesterday's (news) paper?* **2** tunai tikcu cem/liam cia naite ah: *dressed in yesterday's fashions* ○ *all our yesterdays.* **3** (idm) **be born yesterday** ⇨ BORN. **the day before yesterday** ⇨ DAY.
- **yesterday week** ni riat laai(ah): *I haven't seen him since yesterday week.*
- yester-year** /jestəjɪə(r), also jɜ:(r)/ *n* [U] (*arch* or *rhet*) tu nai: *recalling holifays of yester-year.*
- yet** /jet/ *adv* **1** (**a**) hrih, thu sutnak, elnakah, le thil fiangfai lo sim tikah hmanmi. **British English** ahcun *present* or *past perfect tense* thawn hman a si ih, **US English** ah cun *simple past* thawn hman a si: *I haven't received a letter from him yet.* *'Are you ready?'* *'No, not yet.'* ○ *She was not yet sure if she could trust him.* ○ *I doubt if he has read it yet.* (**b**) deuh hrih: *Don't go yet.* ○ *You don't need to start yet.* ⇨ Usage at ALREADY. **2** (used with a *modal v*; formal if placed immediately after the *modal v*) *modal verb* thawn hman a si: *We may win yet.* ○ *She may surprise us all yet.* ○ (*fml*) *We can yet reach our destination.* **3** (used after superlatives) superlative degree hnu-ah hman a si: *the most comprehensive study yet of his poetry novel yet.* **4** [used in front of comparatives] *comparative degree* hmaiah hman a si: *yet one more example of criminal negligence* ○ *yet another victim of government policy on national health funding* ○ *a recent and yet more improbable theory* ○ *advancing yet further.* **5** (idm) **as yet** atu tiang. **yet again** (*emphatic*) a dang voikhat in: *Yet again we can see the results of hasty decision-making.*
- ▷ **yet** *conj* sikhalsehla, thotho: *slow yet thorough* ○ *She trained hard all year yet still failed to reach her best form.*
- yeti** /jeti/ *n* (also **Abominable Snowman**) savom vekih hmuh nei pacang tuum zet (Himalayas tlang sannak laifang ih ummi).
- yew** /ju:/ *n* (**a**) (also **yew-tree**) [C] a hnah ðim vekih a zum zet le a hring ringring mi, hruang kulhnak ih hmanmi thingkung phunkhat. (**b**) himi vek thingkung ihsin ngahmi thing.
- YHA** /waɪ ɛtʃ 'eɪ/ *abbr* (*Brit*) Youth Hostels Association.
- yid** /jɪd/ *n* (*sl*) (Δ *sl offensive*) Jew.

yiddish

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yiddish /'jɪdɪʃ/ *adj, n* [U] ram kip ih hmanmi Judah ʔong: *speak (in) Yiddish* ○ *a Yiddish speaker*. Cf HEBREW.

yield /jɪld/ *v* **1** [Tn] rah, suak, rah suah: *trees that no longer yield fruit* ○ *experiments yielding new insights* ○ *Building societies' investment accounts yield high interest*. **2** (a) [I, Ipr, Ip] (**to sb/sth**) (*fml*) do del lo, tawng nawn lo ih bang; in neh a si tiih baang, a sung khaan. (b) [I] nammi tha ruangih kuai/kual: *Despite all our attempts to break it open, the lock would not yield*. ○ *The dam eventually yielded and collapsed under the weight of water*. **3** [Ipr] ~ **to sth** ai-rol/thleng/luah lan: *Increasingly, farm land is yielding to property development*. ○ *The cinema has largely yielded to the home video*. **4** [Tn, Tn-pr, Tn-p] ~ **sb/sth (up) (to sb)** (*fml*) (a) duh lo cingin midang hnenah thu neihnak pek/thil pakhat khat duh lo nacing ih pek: *The terrorists have yielded two of their hostages (up) to the police*. (b) a lang lo/thuhmi langter: *The universe is slowly yielding up its secrets to scientists*. **5** [I, Ip] ~ (**to sb/sth**) (*esp US*) (of traffic) mawʔawka, tivek zinkian, fehnak lamzin on sak. **6** [I, Ipr] ~ (**to sb/sth**) midang hnakin ka nauta/niam a si ti nemhnget: *I yield to no one in my admiration for* (ie am one of the greatest admirers of) *her work*.

▷ **yield** *n* [U, C] (amount of) a suakmi hmuah; a suakmi zate: *a good, high, poor, etc yield of wheat* ○ *What is the yield per acre?* ○ *the annual milk yield*.

yielding *adj* (a) kual/kawi thei/neem/khoh lo. (b) midang ih duhnak pom/cohlang vivo/lungruh lo/midang duhnak thlun thei: *a gentle, personality* ○ *She is rarely yielding on such issue*.

yieldingly *adv*.

yin /jɪn/ *n* [U] (in Chinese philosophy) Tuluk pawlih thil suahkeh daan, umdan zingzoi nak thufimah — a thim ih a caangvai lomi lei-le-van ih Daan a Nu. Cf YANG.

yippee /'jɪpi:/ *interj (infml)* (used to express pleasure or excitement) lungawinak le thinthonak ih ʔongmi.

YMCA /waɪ em si: 'eɪ/ (also *US infml Y*) *abbr* Young Man's Christian Association: *stay at the YMCA (hostel)*.

job /jɒb/ (also **yobbo** /'jɒbəʊ/) *n* (*pl ~s*) (*dated Brit sl*) mi do duh le mi puar.

yodel (also **yodle**) /'jəʊdl/ *v* (-ll-; *US -l-*) [I, Tn] hlasa, maih awkel le aw sang thleng leuhlo ih hla sa, Switzerland mi hlasak vekin.

▷ **yodel** (also **yodle**) *n* hla sa.

yodeller (*US yodler*) *n*.

yoga /'jəʊgə/ *n* [U] (a) Hindu zumnak ah, kan bulpak thlarau kha thlarau suakkehnik (*universal spirit*) thawn kom-aw thei sal dingih thlnlung, taksa zate hneh thei ding zuamnak

daan. (b) harhdamnak hrangih tuah ʔeumi taksa ret daan le thawthawt daan phunkhat (*yoga*).

▷ **yogi** /'jəʊgi/ *n* (*pl ~s*) *yoga* daan a thiamtu leh a zirhtu.

yoghurt (also **yogurt, yoghourt**) /'jɒgət; *US* 'jəʊgərt/ *n* [U, C] cawhnawi ihsin tuahmi zu vekih in theih cawhnawi thur: *a breakfast of muesli and yoghurt* ○ *a carton of yoghurt* ○ *Two strawberry yoghurts, please*.

yoke /jəʊk/ *n* **1** [C] (a) kawm, thil phurhnak kawm. (b) (*pl unchanged*) hmunkhat ih hna a ʔuan tlaangmi, cawcang pahnih: *five yoke of oxen*. **2** [C] (kawm). **3** [C] (in dressmaking) angki ʔhit tikah liang le lai peh awknak angki liang. **4** [*sing*] ~ (**of sth/sb**) (*fml fig*) hman lo/dik lo leh tuar har zet ih uknak: *throw off the yoke of slavery* ○ *under the yoke of a cruel master*.

▷ **yoke** *v* [Tn, Tn-pr, Tn-p] **1 ~ sth (to sth); ~ sth and sth (together)** hngawng ah kawm bat/bun: *yoke oxen to a plough* ○ *yoke oxen together*. **2 ~ A (to/with B) (in sth); ~ A and B (together) (in sth)** (*fml*) thil pahnih komkhawm lungrual-aw dingih komkhawm: *yoked to/with an unwilling partner* ○ *yoked (together) in marriage*.

yokel /'jəʊkl/ *n* (*joc or derog*) khawte minung; khawpi sungih um dah lo minung.

yolk /jəʊk/ *n* [C, U] arti sungmu: *Beat up the yolks of three eggs*.

Yom Kippur /jɒm 'kɪpə(r), 'jɒm kɪ'pə(r)/ Judah pawl ih kum tin an neihmi rawl-ul le sual-sir-aw ih thlacam ni.

yomp /jɒmp/ *v* [I, Ipr, Ip] (*Brit army sl*) thil thuum rit zet thawn a har zetmi ram ah feh: *yomping across moor land*.

yonder /'jɒndə(r)/ *det, adj, adv* (*arch or dialect*) khi-tawk ah: *Do you see yonder clump of trees (ie that clump of trees over there)?* ○ *Whose is that farm (over) yonder?*

yore /jɔ:(r)/ *n* (*idm*) **of yore** (*arch or rhet*) hlanlai ah: *in days of yore*.

Yorkshire pudding /'jɔ:kʃə 'puɪn/ sangvut, arti le cawhnawi rawimi (cawsa kio thawn eimi): *a large helping of Yorkshire pudding* ○ *four small Yorkshire puddings*.

you /ju:/ *pers pron* **1** nangmah, asilole, nanmah. (a) (used as the subject or object of a *v* or after a *prep*; also used independently and after *be*): *You said you knew the way*. ○ *I thought she told you*. ○ *This is just between you and me*, ie not to be told to anyone else. ○ *I don't think that hair-style is you*, ie It doesn't suit your personality. ○ *Is there anyone among you who is a doctor?* (b) (used with *ns* and *adjs* to address sb directly): *You girls, stop talking!* ○ *You silly fool, you've lost us the game*. ○ *You angel, you've remembered my birthday*. **2** mi

kip, zo pohpoh: *You learn a language better if you visit the country where it's spoken.* ○ *Driving on the left is strange at first but you get used to it.* ○ *It's easier to cycle with the wind behind you.* ○ *Nobody wants to help you in this town.* **3** (idm) **you and yours** nangmah le na sungkhat le na rualpi pawl: *a souvenir for you and yours to cherish.*

□ **you-all** /ju:ɔ:l/ pers pron (esp southern US) nan zatein: *Have you-all brought swim-suits?*

you'd /ju:d/ contracted form **1** you had ⇒ HAVE. **2** you would ⇒ WILL¹, WOULD².

you'll /ju:l/ contracted form you will ⇒ WILL¹.

young /jʌŋ/ adj (-nger /-ŋgə(r)/, -ngest /-ŋgɪst/) **1** upa hrih lo/cang hrih lo: *a young woman, animal, tree, nation.* Cf OLD. **2** no: *The evening is still young.* **3** **the younger** (fml) a no sawn/a nauhak sawn: *the younger Pitt/Pitt the younger.* Cf ELDER¹ **2**. **4** (becoming dated) (a) pa thawn thleidan thei dingin hmin hmaiah hman a si (used before a person's name to distinguish esp a son from his father): *Young Jones is just like his father.* (b) mah le mah tangdor ih thu simnak: *Now listen to me, (my) young man/lady!* **5** no nawn thangthar umtlandan: *The young look is in fashion this year.* ○ *Those clothes she's wearing are much too young for her.* **6** [pred] ~ **in sth** hmuhtonmi le thiam ngaingai nei tam hrih lo: *young in crime.* **7** (idm) **an angry young man** ⇒ ANGRY. **no as/so young as one used to be/(one) was** tar, asilole, upa vivo ih caknak le harhdannak niam/mal vivo. **not get any younger** tar/upa vivo: *I can't play squash twice a week: I'm not as young as I was, you know!* **not get any younger** kum upa vivo: *Of course long walks tire you out — you're not getting any younger, you know.* **an old head on young shoulders** ⇒ OLD. **young and old (alike)** kumtek um loin, mi kip/mi hmuahhmuah: *This is a book for young and old (alike).* **young at heart** kum upa in tar hmansehla, kum no lai vek thotho in a um lai. **the young idea** no nawn, tlawngta pawl. **one's young lady/young man** (dated) maih duhmi nunau/mipa: *When's your young man coming to dinner, then?* **you're only young once** (saying) mino pawl khal nuam zet ih an um kha sian ding a si, zianghrangah tile, an upat tikah donharnak le thinharnak tampi an nei leh ding ruangah a si. ▷ **young** n [pl] **1** (of animals and birds) te leh fa/hrin leh cawi: *The cat fought fiercely to defend its young,* ie its young kittens. **2** **the young** mino hmuahhmuah: *The young in our society need care and protection.* **3** (idm) **(be) with young** (of animal) fa keng/rai; naupai. **youngish** adj no tawkfang/no zet: *a youngish President.* **youngster** /-stə(r)/ nauhak/mino: *How are the youngsters* (ie your children)?

NOTE ON USAGE: **Yours faithfully**, **Yours sincerely**, (esp US) **Yours truly** are the commonest ways of ending formal and semi-formal letters. The correct style is to use **Yours faithfully** to end a letter which begins **Dear Sir/Madam** (ie when the name of the person being addressed is not known to the writer) and **Dear Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms Smith** (ie when the name is known but the person is not well known to the writer). In US English **Sincerely**, **Sincerely yours** and **Yours truly** are often used. If the writer knows the addressee personally, the first name is used and **With best wishes** may be added. More familiar still is the use of the first name and **Yours (ever)**.

Dear madam, ... Yours Faithfully , Jane Jones	Dear Mrs Brown, ... Yours sincerely/truly , Jane Jones
Dear Margaret, ... With best wishes, Yours sincerely/truly , Jane (Jones)	Dare Maggie, ... All the best, Yours , Jane

For further help with letter writing see Sample Texts 3a and 3b in Appendix 2.

your /jɔ:(r); US juə(r)/ possess det **1** nangmah ih, asilole, nanmah ih: *Excuse me, is this your seat?* ○ *Your hair's going grey.* ○ *You'll see the post office on your right.* ○ *Do you like your new job?* **2** nangmah ih, asilole, nanmah ih: *These are your famous Oxford colleges* (ie the ones you talk about), *I suppose.* ○ *I don't think much of your English weather.* ○ (ironic) *You and your bright ideas!* **3** (also **Your**) singpahrang le bawitum biak tikah "you" ti ai-ah "your" hman a si theu: *Your Majesty* ○ *Your Excellency.*

▷ **yours** /jɔ:z; US juərz/ possess pron **1** nangmah ih, lole, nanmah ih: *Is that book yours?* ○ *Is she a friend of yours?* **2** (usu **Yours**, abbr **yrs**) (cakuat cemnak hman a si): *Yours sincerely* ○ *Yours faithfully* ○ *yours truly.* ⇒ Usage above. **you're** /juə(r), also jɔ:(r)/ contracted form you are ⇒ BE.

yourself /jɔ:'self; US juərs'elf/ (pl ~selves /-'selvz/) reflex, emph pron (catluan pawl ah thupi zet ih sim duhmi fang ah napi in saal) **1** (reflex) nangmah le nangmah/nanmah le nanmah/keimah le keimah ka cawm-aw/ka bum-aw/ka hliam-aw, tivek: *Have you hurt yourself?* **2** uarnak ah hman a si; keimah tein, anmahtein, nangmah tein, tivek: *You yourself are one of the chief offenders.* ○ *You can try it out for yourselves.* ○ *Do it yourself — I haven't got time.* **3** (idm) **by your self/yourself** (a) amah

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lawng in: *How long are you by yourself in the classroom?* (b) bawm loin: *Are you sure you did this exercise by yourself?*

youth /ju:θ/ *n* (pl ~s /ju:ðz/) **1** [U] nauhak la, nautet lai le puitlin hlan, mino: *a wasted* (ie unprofitably spent) *youth* ○ *I often went there in my youth.* ○ *He painted scenes from his youth*, ie that reminded him of the time quality of being young. Cf AGE². **2** [U] nauhak dinhmun/ nauhak sinak: *He youth gives her an advantage over the other runners.* ○ *She is full of youth and vitality.* Cf AGE¹ 2. **3** [C] (often derog) kum 11 leh kum 20 kar lak mino: *As a youth he showed little promise.* ○ *The fight was started by some youths who had been drinking.* **4** (also **the youth**) [sing or pl *v*] mino/nonawn hmuahhmuah: *the youth of the country/the country's youth.* ○ *The youth of today has/have greater opportunities than ever before.* ○ [attrib] *youth culture*, ie activities, interests, etc of young people. **5** (idm) **the first/full flush of youth** ⇒ FLUSH¹.

▷ **youthful** /-fl/ *adj* mino vek: *a youthful managing director* ○ *a youthful appearance* ○ *She's a very youthful sixty-five.* **youthfully** /-fəli/ *adv*.

youthfulness *n* [U].

□ **youth club** mino pawl ih caan-awl le pawl kom-awknak.

youth hostel mino riahnak, khual-inn; rawl zaran man-ol ih ngah theinak inn.

youth hostelling mino riah inn ih thleng/riak.

you've /ju:v/ *contracted form* you have ⇒ HAVE.

yowl /jəʊl/ *n* təh ruangro nak.

▷ **yowl** *v* [I] təp/ai ruahro: *kept awake by cats*

yowling all night.

Yo-Yo /'jəʊjəʊ/ *n* (pl ~s) (*propr*) nauhak lehnak hrangih tuahmi, thing, lole, plastic hlum pahnih a sunglam ah hridai ih pehmi, hridai dir tikah tluunlam le tanglam ah an khir thei/ andawp thei: *The price of petrol is going up and down like a Yo-Yo.*

yr *abbr* **1** (pl **yrs**) *year: valid for 3 yrs* ○ *a race for 2-yr olds*, ie horses. **2** *your*.

yrs *abbr* *yours: yrs sincerely*, ie before a signature on a letter.

YTS /'waɪ ti: 'es/ *abbr* (*Brit*) *Youth Training Scheme: We've got a YTS girl helping us.*

yucca /'ju:kə/ *n* keleng pianzia vek pangpar raang phunkhat.

yuck /jʌk/ *interj* (*sl*) ngaih lonak, huatnak langter tikih hmanmi tong.

▷ **yucky** *adj* (**-ier, -iest**) baal, fihnungza: *yucky school dinners.*

yule /ju:l/ (also **yule-tide** /ju:l taɪd/) *n* (*arch*) *Christmas puai: [attrib] Yule-tide greetings*, eg on a Christmas card.

□ **yule-log** *n* *Christmas puai tikih tikmi zanthing tum.*

yummy /'jʌmi/ *adj* (*infml*) (*Mirang* (*English*)) tong hmang nauhak ih tong tikah a hmanmi) thaw/ rawl thaw: *Chocolate cake for tea? How yummy!*

yum-yum /jʌm 'jʌm/ *intern* (*infml*) rawl-ei lai ih lungawi thu simnak, eg thawtuk! thawtuk!

yuppie /'jʌpi/ *n* (*infml often derog*) (khuapi sung um) tumsaang nei hnaʔuantu mino.

YWCA /'waɪ dʌblju: sɪ: 'eɪ/ (also us *infml* **Y**) *abbr* *Young Women's Christian Association: stay at the YWCA* (*hostel*).

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