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2 *They saw the lights of an **alien** spaceship.*
- extraterrestrial

alien noun



WORD WEB

*I wrote a story about **aliens** from Mars.*
- extraterrestrial, alien life-form, spaceman or spacewoman, starman or starwoman

AN ALIEN FROM ANOTHER PLANET MIGHT BE
humanoid, insect-like, lizard-like, reptilian, intelligent, primitive, super-intelligent, telepathic

BODY PARTS AN ALIEN MIGHT HAVE
antenna, blotches, scales, slime, sucker, tentacle, webbing

TRANSPORT AN ALIEN MIGHT USE
alien vessel, flying saucer, mothership, pod, spacecraft, spaceship, starship, time-machine, transporter
beam
- An alien might call someone from Earth an Earthling.

SEE ALSO **planet**, **space**

alight adjective

*The bonfire was still **alight**.*
- burning, lit, on fire, ignited

alike adjective

*All the houses in the street looked **alike**.*
- similar, the same, identical, indistinguishable, comparable, uniform

alive adjective

*Fortunately, my goldfish was still **alive**.*
- living, live, existing, in existence, surviving, breathing, flourishing

OPPOSITE dead

alliance noun

*The two countries formed an **alliance**.*
- partnership, union, association, federation, league
- An alliance between political parties is a coalition.

allocate verb

*I **allocated** some pocket money for buying presents.*
- allot, assign, set aside, reserve, earmark

allow verb

1 *They don't **allow** skateboards in the playground.*
- permit, let, authorize, approve of, agree to, consent to, give permission for, license, put up with, stand, support, tolerate

OPPOSITE forbid

2 *Have you **allowed** enough time for the journey?*
- allocate, set aside, assign, grant, earmark

all right adjective

1 *The survivors appeared to be **all right**.*
- well, unhurt, unharmed, uninjured, safe

2 *The food in the hotel was **all right**.*
- satisfactory, acceptable, adequate, reasonable, passable

3 *Is it **all right** to play music in here?*
- acceptable, permissable

ally noun

*The two countries work together as **allies**.*
- friend, partner

OPPOSITE enemy

almost adverb

1 *I have **almost** finished the crossword.*
- nearly, practically, just about, virtually, all but, as good as, not quite

2 ***Almost** a hundred people came to the concert.*
- about, approximately, around

alone adjective, adverb

1 *Did you go to the party **alone**?*
- on your own, by yourself, unaccompanied

2 *Zoe had no friends and felt very **alone**.*
- lonely, friendless, isolated, solitary, lonesome, desolate

also adverb

*We need some bread, and **also** more butter.*
- in addition, besides, additionally, too, furthermore, moreover

alter verb

*They have **altered** the route for the cycle race.*
- change, adjust, adapt, modify, transform, amend, make different, revise, vary

alternative noun

*I lost my bus money and had no **alternative** but to walk.*
- choice, option

altogether adverb

1 *I'm not **altogether** satisfied.*
- completely, entirely, absolutely, quite, totally, utterly, wholly, fully, perfectly, thoroughly

2 *Our house has five rooms **altogether**.*
- in all, in total, all told

always adverb

1 *The sea is **always** in motion.*
- constantly, continuously, endlessly, eternally, for ever, perpetually, unceasingly

2 *This bus is **always** late.*
- consistently, continually, invariably, persistently, regularly, repeatedly

amateur noun

*All the players in this team are unpaid **amateurs**.*

OPPOSITE professional

amaze verb

*It **amazes** me to think that the Earth is billions of years old.*
- astonish, astound, startle, surprise, stun, shock, stagger, dumbfound
- (*informal*) flabbergast

amazed adjective

*I was **amazed** by the number of emails I received.*
- astonished, astounded, stunned, surprised, dumbfounded, speechless, staggered
- (*informal*) flabbergasted

amazing adjective

*The Northern Lights are an **amazing** sight.*
- astonishing, astounding, staggering, remarkable, surprising, extraordinary, incredible, breathtaking, phenomenal, sensational, stupendous, tremendous, wonderful, mind-boggling

ambition noun

1 *She had great **ambition** when she was young.*
- drive, enthusiasm, enterprise, push, zeal

2 *My **ambition** is to play tennis at Wimbledon.*
- goal, aim, intention, objective, target, desire, dream, wish, hope, aspiration

ambitious adjective

1 *If you're **ambitious**, you will probably succeed.*
- enterprising, enthusiastic, committed, go-ahead, keen

OPPOSITE unambitious

2 *I think your plan is too **ambitious**.*
- grand, big, large-scale

amend verb

*I **amended** the letter to make it clearer.*
- change, alter, adjust, modify, revise

among preposition

*We played hide-and-seek **among** the bushes.*
- between, amid, in, in the middle of, surrounded by

amount noun

1 *Mum wrote a cheque for the correct **amount**.*
- sum, total, whole

2 *There's a large **amount** of paper in the cupboard.*
- quantity, measure, supply, volume, mass, bulk