

THE BODY:

A TREASURE

TROVE OF

MEANINGS IN

ENGLISH

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Indo-European Languages

Germanic

North Germanic

East Norse

Danish Swedish

West Norse

Icelandic Norwegian

Germanic

East Germanic

Gothic

Germanic

West Germanic

High German

German

Low German

Low German

Old Frisian Old English

Frisian Middle English

***Modern English**

*Although English is a **Germanic** Language, it has been strongly influenced by **Classical Greek** and **Latin**, **Vulgar Latin** as well as **Norman** and **Parisian French** (especially after the Norman Invasion of 1066).

Italic

Latin **(Romance)**

French Italian Spanish Portuguese Romanian Catalan
Provençal

Other Languages in the Indo-European Family of Languages

Hellenic Greek

Celtic (Keltic) Languages
Breton Irish Scots Gaelic Welsh

Slavic
Bulgarian Czech Macedonian Polish Russian Slovak
Slovenian Ukrainian Serbo-Croatian

Indo-Iranian
Sanskrit
Bengali Hindi Punjabi Urdu

Old Persian
Persian

The English Language

Old English

(Anglo-Saxon, Frisian, and Old Norse)
Germanic Invasions until after the dislocation as a result of
the Norman Invasion in 1066
450-1150*

Middle English

(strongly influenced by **Norman** French)
11th century – 14th century (Chaucer)

Early Modern English

(influenced by **Parisian** French)
Chaucer – Shakespeare

Modern English

Shakespeare – until the present

*included in this period were the Scandinavian invasions
between 850- 1042

Countries where English is spoken as the First language:

Great Britain and Europe

England, Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Gibraltar

North America

United States and Canada

Africa

Botswana, Brunei, Cameroon, Cayman Islands, The Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Malta, Mauritius, Nigeria, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Latin America and Caribbean

Antigua and Barbuda, Jamaica, The Bahamas, Bermuda, Belize, Trinidad and Tobago, Guyana, Dominica

Asia and Pacific Islands

Bangladesh, Fiji, India, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Sri Lanka

Australia

Australia, New Zealand

Did you know that the vocabulary describing the body contains a *treasure trove of information*? Many of the words utilized to describe parts of the body usually have several grammatical functions. The word **hand**, for example, can be a noun, (I hurt my **hand**. Can you give me a **hand**?) or a verb (**Hand** me the tool). The richness of the vocabulary utilized to describe the body, however, does not stop at the level of structure. In fact, it goes hand in hand with the other with what can be another problematic aspect of not just English, but with any language. The literal versus the metaphorical meaning of a word. The body term **mind** is a prime example. The **mind** is only literal as a noun (its first and primary definition, the secondary definitions are figurative); as a verb **mind** is only figurative or metaphorical:

mind

1. intellect, intellectual faculty, cognitive function
His **mind** is something magnificent to observe.
2. psyche, ego, subconscious
3. soul, spirit, inner being
4. (slang) genius, mental giant, brain, Einstein, wizard, whiz
He is a **mind** that I would love to explore.
5. brain power, brains, wit, quickness, wittiness
He has a sharp **mind**; nothing escapes his attention.
6. (slang) gray matter, smarts, **good head on his shoulder**,
noggin, noodle

7. sanity, saneness, senses
8. (slang) marbles
He has lost his **mind**.
9. rationality, sense of reason, judgment, common sense
How his **mind** works is beyond me.
10. disposition, humor, temperament
11. bent, tendency, propensity
His **mind** tends to focus on the morbid.
12. feeling, partiality, bias, liking, belief
13. notion, whim, idea
14. intention aim, purpose, design

to mind

1. to attend, give one's attention to, pay attention to
Mind my words; it's not over.
2. to watch, to see, to observe, to pay heed to
3. to obey, follow, adhere to, to respect
If you do not **mind** me, you will pay the consequences.

4. to attend, to watch, to look after
Can you **mind** the children while I run to the store.
5. to guard, to be careful, to be wary, to think twice of, to weigh
Mind him; he can't be trusted.
6. to care about, to be concerned about
I do **mind** where and how you live.
7. to remember, to recall, to recollect
I **mind** the day when I first came here.

The body term **mind** is by no means unique. Many of the meanings of different body parts have been greatly stretched beyond the literal. Do you know what it is to be a **second-hand Rose**? Are you a **brain**? What's a **no brainer**? What does it mean to **press the flesh**? Have you ever had anyone **sweep you off your feet** or to **pull your leg**?

In the following sentences, can you determine the part of speech, (noun, verb, adjective, or adverb), of the words of the body? Does that information have anything to do with your understanding the meaning of the sentences? If so, why? Does, for example, the definition of the word '**head**' changes depending on whether it is a verb or noun? Are there sentences which you understand while others you have absolutely no idea of their meaning? Do you know why? Do you think that the literal versus figurative meaning has anything to do with your ability to understand a word? You probably know the literal meaning of each part of the body. That is a matter of study and memorization. However, do

you have any idea what words such as '**heart**', '**head**', '**face**', and '**stomach**' mean culturally in English? In other words, figuratively or metaphorically speaking, what do you know what the above words mean?

The Body

1. Whatever you decide to do, it **is no skin off my teeth**.
2. It's not true that one can not be too thin. She's only **skin and bones** and she looks horrible.
3. They **dropped to their knees** and prayed.
4. When the other car hit me from behind. I hit my **head**.
5. I'll **scratch your back** if you scratch mine; therefore, if you **back** my bill, I'll support yours.
6. It was not easy for him to **face** the child that he had abandoned.
7. He **shouldered** his way through the crowd.
8. I was able to do it because I **figured** that I could not lose.
9. He is always **throwing out his chest** and bragging about his accomplishments.
10. He had to **pay an arm and a leg** for the house.

11. After living abroad, I have a **cast-iron stomach**. I can eat anything with no problem of getting sick.
12. Despite my arguments and pleas, he **turned a deaf ear**.
13. That dress with its very long neckline is definitely **eye-catching**.
14. The child **mouthed** his response.
15. My God, they sure must be in lust. They are always **necking**.
16. His guilt is **as plain as the nose on his face**.
17. I'll **keep my fingers crossed** that everything goes according to plan.
18. He can't help you; he **is all thumb**.
19. She is always putting her life **on the back burner**. Everything and everyone come before her.
20. He has such a **big head** that I doubt he even knows that you exist.
21. Ever since she married, she has been living in the **lap of luxury**.
22. The reason that he was able to be promoted so quickly and easily was that he **got a leg up**.
23. I can't **stomach** not only her but anyone in her family.
24. She fought her attacker **tooth and nail**.

25. He **fingered** the man who robbed him.
26. They **handed around** the cigarettes.
27. You have the worst **handwriting** in the world.
28. The way that he was **eying** her was an embarrassment.
29. His guilt is **written all over his face**.
30. As he is the president of the company, he will **head** the meeting.
31. His method is **cutthroat**. Expect no mercy from him.
32. He only **pays lip service to** respecting the law.

From what has been written above, it is obvious the vocabulary describing the body contains a treasure trove of information. Much of the vocabulary utilized to describe body usually have several grammatical functions as well as metaphorical meanings.

Clarifyingit.com has created and published **THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF MEANING** to help you to begin to understand the most creative, illuminating, and culturally specific area of English: **The Body**.

What do you know about the body and the words that describe it?

1) With the exception of the **jaw**, **face**, **penis**, **vagina**, **testicles** and the **figure**, the words which describe the external body come from the Germanic rather than Latin side of English. Therefore, English-, Dutch-, German-, Swedish-, and Norwegian-speakers share, or at least at one time had shared, many of the same words to name different parts of the body. The reason for this is simple. Most of words to describe the body in English are some of the oldest in the language. Many have been in the language before 900: **neck**, **mouth**, **tongue**, **tooth**, **ear**, **throat**, **chest**, **finger**, **eye**, **nose**, **toe**, **nail**, and **foot**. Others have been present since 1000: **lips**, **chin**, **breast**, **bosom**, **elbow**, **back**, **buttock**, **hip**, and **ankle**.

2) Although most of the words to describe the external body are Germanic, the vocabulary to describe the internal organs are much more balanced between the two areas of English, the Latin-based and Germanic-based. However, it should be noted that the most important organs in English are Germanic-based: **heart**, **mind**, **liver**, **bone** and **gut**. All these words became a part of English during the language earliest period; except for the **gut**, which entered the language before 1000, all entered into the language before 900.

3) The Latin-based names for internal organs, for example the **skeleton**, the **spleen**, the **stomach**, and the **spine**, are all relatively new to the language. **Skeleton** came into the language in the late 16th century, **spleen** in the late 13th to early 14th century, **stomach** in the early 16th century, and **spine** in the early to mid-15th century.

It should also be noted that those Latin-based words used to describe the outer-body are also relatively recent entries. **Face** came into

the language in mid 13th to early 14th century, **figure** in 12th century, and **vagina** and **penis** in the late 17th century.

4) There are a number of words in English, which may appear to come from the same source but do not. The word '**arm**' is a primary example. When referring to the part of the body, the word is one of the oldest in the language. It came into English before 900. It is of Germanic origin (Old English **earm**; Old Norse **armr**; Old Frisian **erm**; Old Swede, Old High German, Swedish, Danish, Norwegian, Frisian, African, Dutch **arm**, German and Swiss German **Arm**, Icelandic **armur** **handleggur**, Latin **brachium** **bracchium**, French **bras**, Spanish **brazo**, Italian **braccio**, Portuguese **braço**)

'Arm,' when it refers to weapons, as in a firearm, originated from Latin. It came into English through Old French. Its entrance into the vocabulary is relatively recent. As a verb, 'arm' came into the language from the early to mid 13th century (**to arm: Middle English and Anglo-French armen, Old French armer, Latin armare**). As a noun, it came into the language a hundred years later (Middle English *armes*, Latin *arma*).

The word for '**butt**' is also very interesting. When the word refers to the **buttock**, **derriere**, **backside**, or **rear end**, its origin is from the Dutch '**bot**', which means 'stumpy' and the Swedish and Danish 'but' which means 'stubby.' When '**butt**' means to strike or push with the head or horns, the origin of the word is the Anglo-French or Old French for 'to thrust or to strike' (**Anglo-French butter, Old French boter**). When '**butt**' refers to a target or a person who is the object of ridicule or contempt its origin is Middle French.

In British English, the term **marrow** has two very distinct meanings and, although it may not appear, two very different roots. As a body term, **marrow** is one of the oldest words in the English language. The root is Germanic. In British and Scottish English, the word **marrow** has another meaning which has nothing to do with any part of the body. It is a term used in northern England and Scotland for a partner, spouse or close friend. This makes sense ONLY if one understands that **marrow** used in the sense of fellow worker, helpmate or companion does not have the same root as the body term **marrow**. **Marrow**, meaning friend, although also Germanic in origin, did not come from the Old English **mearg** or **mearth**; rather, it came from the Middle English **marwe** which meant fellow worker and partner. The origins of **marwe** is Old Norse; it meant friendly. **Marrow**, as a body term, is one of the oldest words in the English language however as a term meaning friend it is not. It entered in English during the late Medieval period or early Modern period, 1400-1450.

The Body, figuratively speaking

Do you know what the **cheeks** symbolize? If I tell you to not give me any **cheek**, what am I saying? (*Don't talk back to me*). Did you know that the **shoulder** is both a noun and a verb? Did you also know that the figurative meaning of **shoulder**, as a verb, is to push, shove, bear, support, or assume responsibility? When **the cat has your tongue**, what does he have? (*your power to speak*) If you shout out to me, just before going out to do a performance, **break a leg**, are you wishing me harm? No. To shout '**break a leg**' means good luck or 'knock them dead.' If you '**lose your heart**' is it as bad as to '**lose your mind**.' No. '**To lose one's mind**' is not at all good. It only means 'to go crazy.' '**To lose one's heart**' can either be good or bad. It all depends on to whom you lose it. If it is to someone who does not feel the same way, it is bad and very painful. However, if the other person feels the same, it is not only good; it is fantastic. '**To lose one's heart**' is to fall madly in love or '**to fall head over heels**.' Does '**to not have teeth**' have anything to do with '**not having the stomach for something**.' No. It also has nothing to do with '**not having a heart**' or '**not having the heart**', '**the gall**', '**the nose**', '**the eye**', or '**the ear for**'. If something does not **teeth**, it has no power or force. A law or regulation only has **teeth** if it has the power to make people obey. If it does not, **it has no teeth**. **To not have the stomach for something** is not to have the desire to do something. If I don't have the **stomach** for a fight, it means that I do not want to fight. '**To not have a heart**' means that you are not a very nice person. '**To not have the heart**' means that you are unable to, not able to or not will to do something. If you **have gall**, it means that you are very audacious, bold, **cheeky** or imprudent. '**To have the nose for**' is to be good at finding and recognizing something or to have the talent for something. '**To have the nose for news**' means that you are either a

good reporter or gossip. If you **have the eye for someone** it means that you like that person; that you find that person attractive. '**To have the ear for something**' means that you have a natural or innate ability to learn music or languages.

Almost each part of the body symbolizes at least one characteristic or trait. At times, a body part represents more than one attribute. The **heart**, for example, does not only stand for love. In the expression, **to get to the heart of the matter**, **heart** is synonymous to the core, kernel, seed, and germ. In the expression **to learn something by heart** is to memorize or know something word for word. '**To eat one's heart out**' has nothing to do with the core of something, memorizing something, or being in love. In this expression the **heart** represents sorrow, mourning, pining for or agonizing over.

The attributes or qualities which a culture gives to different parts of the body reveal a great deal about how that culture sees itself and its members. **THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE** is an extensive dictionary which not only aids you in learning how different parts of the body are used both grammatically and semantically but it is also a *cultural text* whose main goal is to help you to understand how different parts of the English-speaking world see its reality.

How one sees the **mind**, the **heart**, the **liver**, the **gall-bladder**, the **penis**, the **eyes**, or **ears** has a lot to do with the culture in which one lives. In Spanish, for example, the digits on one's **hands** and one's **feet** have the same name (*dedos* and *dedos de pie*). In English, that is not the case. As odd as it might sound, English-speakers have much more of a relationship with the digits on their **hands**, (**fingers**), than on those on their **feet**, (**toes**). Did you know that in English each **finger** has a name?

The finger in English which is associated with insulting someone is **the middle finger**). It is **the ring finger** which is associated with both getting engaged and married. It is **the thumb** which is used to hitch-hike or get a free ride.

Fingers are used to express a variety of things in society. It is associated with controlling someone, (**to wrap someone around one's little finger**), with hoping for the best (**to cross one's fingers**) and with having a bad experience (**to get one's fingers burned**). Either individually or as a group, toes have no such associations. It should not be surprising, therefore, that, relatively speaking, there are almost no expressions which **toes**.

How can THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE help you?

Understanding how the body is seen in English allows you to go beyond the superficial. It helps you to get more than just a glimpse of how persons who speak English conceive and create their reality. Instead of consulting a vast number of dictionaries and language books of expressions, finally, there is a book which contains the overwhelming majority, if not all, the different meaning of words used to represent the body.

With **THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE**, you can finally begin to **make heads or tails** (learn) of the metaphorical and cultural meanings of some of the most fundamental words of English. You will find that many jokes, puns, double-entendres and riddles will no longer **go over your head** (be outside your realm of understanding). At last you

will **have your feet firmly set on the path of** understanding and using English as it is actually understood and used.

As mentioned previously, the majority of the vocabulary used for the body are in Germanic in origin. However, English contains a number of Latin and Greek based affixes (prefixes and suffixes) which also mean parts of the body. **BODY LANGUAGE OR THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE** contains some of the different Greek and Latin affixes which are in English. (See the example below) This section is especially important to the native speakers of English who is not familiar with the more formal or collegiate aspect of their vocabulary. This is the aspect of the language which must be mastered to pass the many standardized tests given throughout primary and secondary school. These are also the words that one must know to do well in the SAT's, ACT's or GRE's. In this work, the affixes will be presented with the definition; however, no examples will be given. To get a more detail explanation, including vocabulary, please consult the companion book, **THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE: PREFIXES, SUFFIXES AND ROOTS.**

Also included in **THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE** are some of those verbs which naturally go with a particular body part. For example, in the section on the **'blood'**, a section on the verb **'to bleed'** will also be included. Another example would in the section on 'the mind,' a number of verbs, such as 'to think', 'to know' and 'to remember' will be examined from different perspective.

How THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE is structured:

There are quite a few of books on body idioms; however, there is no book on the market which is as complete as the one which you are now reading. Most books normally give the expression and a one sentence explanation. THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE gives the reader more, much more. Not only are you presented with an explanation of what a particular word means both literally and metaphorically, the different meanings are subdivided into categories: **standard**, **more stylized** or **formal**, **informal** or **idiomatic** and **slang**. Whenever possible, other expressions are also given. Therefore, with THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE you not only learn how, for example, the **head** or **eyes** are used in English but other frequently used expressions are also given. The following is a sample of how THE BODY: A TREASURE TROVE OF LANGUAGE is structured:

Skin

(entered into English before 1000)

Old English **scinn**, Middle English Old Norse **skinn**, Dutch **schinden**, Danish **hud skind**, Frisian **fel hûd**, Icelandic and Norwegian **hud**, Swedish **hud skinn skinna päls**, German **Schinden**, Latin **cutis**, French **peau**, Spanish **piel**

Prefixes and/or suffixes which mean **skin:**

dermato-, **dermat-**, **dermo-**, **derm-** (from Greek *derma*, skin)
combining forms meaning skin, hide or covering

-dermis combining forms meaning skin, in general, or the layer of skin
just below the epidermis (known as the *derma*)

-dermatous combining forms meaning skin meaning possessing skin or
skinned

pell- (from Latin: *pell pellis* Greek: *pelz* a skin Latin: *pellicius* made
of skins) combining forms meaning skin

skin

1. epidermis, cuticle, derma, cutis, pellicle
2. (animal) hide, pelt, jacket, fleece, fell, fur, leather, vellum, integument
3. (fruit) rind, peel, hull, shell, husk, cover, covering, pod, case
4. overlay, coating, coat, layer, lamina, film
5. wineskin, pouch, container

to skin

1. to peel, scale, bark, strip, scalp, unwrap, remove, shed
It was not unusual **to skin** one's enemies in Ancient Mesoamerica.
2. (more stylized) to flay, exfoliate, scale, denude, excorticate, excoriate
3. (informal) to throw off, shed, strip off, cast off, peel off
4. (fruit or vegetables) to shell, husk, shuck, hull, rind, pare

skin and bones

1. on the decline, very skinny, unhealthy, corpse-like, frail, underfed, undernourished, wasted, **skeletal**, too lean, deathly thin

I don't know what happened to her but she's nothing but **skin and bones**.
2. (more stylized) gaunt, emaciated, wasted, **fleshless, hollow-eyed**, shrunken, pinched, frail, haggard, **raw boned, hollow cheeked**, spare, drawn, **hollowed cheeks**
3. (informal) thin as a rail, gangly, **bare-boned**, wasted, gangling, throw a shadow, thin as a reed, half-starved, half-famished
4. (slang) scrawny, twiggy, **boney**, like a plucked chicken or skinny as a railing

skin deep

1. superficial, on the surface, not very profound, not deep
What she feels for you is only **skin deep**. She doesn't love you.
2. (more stylized) shallow, outermost, outside, external. outward, exterior
It is true that beauty is only **skin deep**.

3. unreal, artificial, plastic, fake, fraud, delusion, phony

Can't you tell that that is she is only crying crocodile tears. Her feeling of sorrow is only **skin deep**.

4. (informal) hoax, make-believe, two-dollar bill, ruse, sham

5. empty, devoid, slight, meaningless, unimportant, signifying nothing, vacuous

His feelings for you are only **skin deep**. Can't you see that?

6. (more stylized) of little or no import, inconsequential, hollow negligible, insubstantial, inconsequential matter, inconsiderable, inappreciable, inane

7. (informal) petty, paltry, trivial, not worth mentioning, frivolous

8. (slang) no-account, picayune, penny-ante, fiddling, trifling, not worth a hill a beans, plug nickel, not worth the paper it is printed on, straw, red cent

skin flick

1. adult films, films dominated by sex, pornographic, obscene, lewd, vulgar or coarse, x-rated films, sexploitation

Another name for **skin flick** is pornography.

2. (more stylistic) films which are suggestive, prurient, indecent, profane, salacious, fulsome or erotic
3. (informal) films which are vile, nasty, filthy, raunchy, risqué, off-color, hard-core, soft-core or bawdy, peep shows, blue movies, pornography

4. (slang) films which are smutty, gross or blue, stag films, nudies, cheesecake, porn, **leg art**

skin flint

1. to be extraordinarily cheap, frugal, economical or thrifty

My aunt was a real **skin flint**. She would not lend a penny without asking for interest.

2. (more formal) brummagem, parsimonious, miserly,
3. (informal) **closed-fisted**, stingy, penny pincher, tight, **tightfisted** cheapskate, tightwad, money-grubber, miserly, petty

What a **skin flint**!

to be wet to the skin

1. to be wet, very wet or soaked

He got caught in the rain and **was wet to the bone**.

2. (more stylized/formal) to be imbrued, immerged saturated, immersed, infused, penetrated, impregnated, imbued, inundated
3. (informal) to be wringing wet, soggy, **soaked to the bone**, soak and wet, doused, drenched, wet down, soaked through, drowned, sopping, dripping, wet through, sippy, **wet to the bone** or soused

THE BODY AND ITS
TWISTED HISTORY IN
THE ENGLISH

The study of the language of the body in English is the study of the long, twisted, and, at times, incredulous development of one of most rigid, flexible, irregular, simplified and widely studied and spoken, languages to ever develop.

English is like an onion, each layer representing a period of great change. Although wrapped in an outer layer of Latin and French, this covering is somewhat a roost. Although the overwhelming majority of English words draw their origin from Old French, Anglo-French, Parisian French, Latin, and Greek, English is not a Romance language; it never has been. Even during the period of Roman domination, the period when many of the Romance languages in Western and Southern Europe were being developed, the Latin influence on the language and culture of what was then Britain was superficial, at best. With the exception of persons at the very highest level of society, most of the British remained Celtic, linguistically and culturally speaking.

Perhaps if the Romans had not been forced to withdraw, Roman culture and language would have slowly spread throughout Britain. And, as a result, Britain would have eventually developed the type of language and culture which had been flourishing across the channel in France. However, in 450 Britain's ties to the dying Roman Empire and its colonies were cut. It was in that year when factions of the western branch of the Germanic groups (Angles, Saxons, Jutes, and Frisians) crossed the North Sea to conquer and colonize what would eventually become England.

The invasion and colonization of England was unlike what had happened in other parts of the former Roman Empire. Across the Channel in France, for example, the Franks did not destroy the different peoples whom they encountered; nor did the different Germanic peoples

who invaded Spain and Italian. One of the main reasons for the non-annihilation was that what the Gauls, Visigoths and Goths found were highly Romanized hybrids. Rather than destroy, the victor assimilated with the vanquish. It is for this reason that France, Spain, Italy and Portugal remained culturally and linguistically an extension of the Roman Empire, long after its destruction. As a result, these countries developed closely related languages which belong to the Roman or Latin branch of the Indo-European Family of Languages.

England's fate was radically different. By the time the different Germanic groups invaded Britain, the little bit of Latin culture which had been adopted had been almost completely replaced by the native Celtic ones. The different Germanic groups were quite familiar, and as mentioned previously, greatly respectful of the Romans, their culture and language. They felt no such reverence toward the Celts. They either killed or drove westward most of the Celtic inhabitants of England. Prior to the Germanic invasions, Britain had belonged to Celtic language group. After, as a result of the almost complete destruction of the native population, the language, and culture, which developed and flourished in England firmly belonged in the Germanic camp. With the exception of a few place names, Celtic influence in English ceased.

Old English

The language which developed as a result of the Germanic invasion was purely Germanic. It is true that the different Germanic groups had, before, and especially after the conquest, had come in contact with Latin. However, the Latin adopted did not come from every area of the language. Most of the words were religious; which was only natural since most of the contact between the Germans and Romans was through the Church in the form of Roman missionaries. The English

also borrowed from Latin to express new ideas in the area of clothing, and food. All together, during this time, approximately 450 words from Latin were adopted into English. (see appendix 1)

Despite, the incorporation of Latin into English, the culture and language which developed in England, up until the twelfth century, were almost purely Germanic in nature. The Jutes and Saxons formed the basis of the Kentish and the Southern English dialects. The Anglians settled in two areas, the northern and center areas. They were responsible for the Midland and Northumbrian form of English. It was also during this period, as a result of the ascendancy of the West-Saxon kingdom, the written dialect of Wessex became, for a time, the written standard language of England. During that period, works were either written in West Saxon or works written in other dialects were translated into it.

For the first three centuries after the destruction of the Roman Empire, the western branch of the Germanic language formed the basis of the English language. It from this period that one hundred of the most common words in English come. (appendix 2)

The following are the words of the body which entered into English during its first three hundred years. This period of the English language is called, *Old English* or *Anglo-Saxon*:

Body Language

(entered into the language before 900)

Body

Old English **bodig**, Old High German **botah**

Flesh

Old English **flask**, Middle English **flask**, Old Frisian **flask**, Old High German **fleisk**, Old Norse **flesk**, German **Fleisch**, Dutch **vless**

Limb

Old and Middle English **lim**, Old Norse **lim**

Head

Old English **heafod**, Middle English **he(v)ed**, Old High German **houbit**, Old Norse **hofuth**, Dutch **hoofd**, Danish **hoved**, German **Kopf**, Swedish **huvud kranie**, Norwegian **leder lede hode**, Afrikann **kop**, Latin **caput**, French **tête**, Spanish **cabeza**

Hair

Old English **hær hære**, Middle English **here haire**, Dutch **haar**, German **Haar**, Old Norse **har hæra**, Old High German **haria**

Eye

Old English **ege** (**eage**), Middle English **eie ie**, German **Auge**, Dutch **oog**

Ear

Old English **eare ear æhher**, Middle English **ere**, Old Norse **eyra ax**, German **Ohr Ähre**, Dutch **oor aar**

Nose

Old English **nosu nasu næse**, Frisian **noas**, Icelandic **nōs**, Danish **næse**, Norwegian **nese**, Dutch **neus**, German **Nase**, Swedish **näsa**, Latin **nasus**, French **nez**, Spanish **nariz**

Mouth

Old and Middle English **muth**, Old Norse **munnr**, German **Mund**, Dutch **mond**

Tongue

Old and Middle English **tunge tungen**, Old Norse **tunga**, Dutch **tong**, German **Zunge**

Tooth/Teeth

Old and Middle English **toth**, Old Norse **tonn**, Dutch **tand**, German **Zahn**

Cheek

Old English **ce(a)ce ceoce**, Middle English **cheke**, Dutch **kaak**, Middle Lower German **kake**

Neck

Old English **hnecca**, Middle English **nekke**, Old Norse **hnakki**, Dutch **nek**, German **Nacken**

Shoulder

Old English **sculdor**, Middle English **sholder schulder shulderen**, Dutch **schouder**, German **Schulter**

Hand

Old and Middle English **hand hond**, Old Norse **hond**, Dutch **hand**, German **Hand**, Goth **handus**

Arm

Old and Middle English **earm**, Old Frisian **erm**, Goth **arms**, Old Norse **armr**, Old High German Old Swedish Dutch **arm**, German **Arm**

Finger

Old and Middle English **finger**, Old Norse **fingr**, Dutch **vinger**, German **Finger**, Gothic **figgers**

Thumb

Old and Middle English **thuma**, Old Norse **thumall**, Dutch **duim**, German **Daumen**, Old Swede and Old High German **dumo**

Nail

Old English **nægel næglan**, Middle English **nayl naille**, Old Frisian **neil**, Old Swede and Old High German **nagal**, Old Norse **nagl**, Germanic **naglaz**, Dutch **nagel**, German **Nagel**

Quick

Old English **cuic cwicu**, Middle English **quik**, Old Norse **kvikr**, Old Swede **quik**, German **queck keck**, Latin **vivus**, French **vif**, Spanish **carne viva**

Fist

Old English **fyst**, German **Faust**, Dutch **vuist**

Lap

Old English **læppa**, Middle English **lappe**, Old Norse **lappr**, Dutch **lap**, German **Lappen**

Knee

Old English **cneo**, Middle English **cneo(w)**, Old Norse **kne**, German **Knie**, Dutch **knie**, Latin **genu**, French **genou**, Spanish **rodillas**

Foot

Old and Middle English **fot**, German **Fuss**, Dutch **voet**, Greek **poús pod**, Latin **pes ped**, French **pied**, Spanish **pie**

Toe

Old and Middle English **ta**, Old Norse **ta**, German **Zeh Zehe**, Dutch **teen**, Latin **digitus**, French **doigit**, Spanish **dedo de pie**

Heel

(entered into English before 850)

Old and Middle English **hela**, Old Norse **hæll**, Dutch **hiel**

Behind

Old English **behindan**, Middle English **behinden**

Bone

Old English **ban**, Middle English **bon**, Germanic **bainan**, Old Frisian and Old Swede **ben**, Old Norse **bein**, Dutch **been**, German **Bein**, Latin **os ossis**, French **os**, Spanish **hueso**

Marrow

Old English **mearg**, Middle English **marowe**, Old Norse **mergr**, Dutch **merg**, German **Mark**, Latin **medulla**, Spanish **médula**, French **moelle**

Brain

Old and Middle English **brægen gregen**, Low German **brägen**, Dutch **brein**, Latin **cerebrum**, French **cerveau**, Spanish **cerebro**

Breath

Old English **bræth**, Middle English **breth breeth**, Frisian **sike**, German **Atem**, Swedish **andas pust**, Dutch **andem**, Norwegian **pust ånde**, Latin **halitus spiritus flatus anima aura respiro**, French **haleine souffle respiration**, Spanish **aliento respiración**

Late Old English (Early Middle English)

The **northern branch of the Germanic language** did not begin to influence English until the latter part of the eighth and ninth century. From almost three hundred years, until the eleventh century, England was bombarded by invading groups from Scandinavia. The Scandinavians, depending on their nationality, settled in the urban as well as the rural areas of England. While the Norwegians colonized Ireland, the Scottish Island, the Isle of Man, and parts of England's north-west, the Danes settled mostly in the north and east part of England.

Unlike the first Germanic invasion of the Celtic Britain, the Scandinavian overrun of England did not lead to the elimination the English. The fundamental reason was simple. They were the same people; therefore, the racial and linguistic animosity which had marked the first invasion was absent. Destruction was replaced by absorption and assimilation. The language which the invaders spoke, Old Norse, helped to form the basis of what is now standard English.

At the core, Anglo-Saxon and Old Norse were the same language. Despite the differences in grammar, persons who communicated in Old English and Old Norse were mutually intelligible. In the area of vocabulary, many words were either identical or very similar. As a result, the type of influence that Old Norse had in English was not destructive. Although there were cases where Old Norse terms did replace Anglo-Saxons ones, the norm was that the borrowing of Old Norse words took place when there were no Old English equivalent. In the area of vocabulary, two of the most distinctive borrowings of Old

Norse into English were words with 'sk' or the 'sk' sound, (sky or scrub), and those with the hard 'g' sound, (get or egg).

Old Norse words which entered into the language were not only content words (**open class words**). People from one language group are constantly borrowing words from this area of the lexicon (nouns, verbs, adjective and adverbs). Although it should be mentioned that many of the **content words** borrowed from Old Norse were core words; that is, words which either have no synonyms or those which are used to name things in a language which do not have synonyms. What was extremely unusual about the influence of Old Norse on English was that **functions words** were also borrowed. Function words are structural or grammatical and, therefore, belong to **closed class words**. Very rarely, if ever, are new words added to this category.

Words from Old Norse did not begin to be used in English until after the 11th century, once the Vikings had invaded, and sacked, both south-west and south-east England.

Body Language (entered into English before 1000)

Skin

Old English **scinn**, Middle English Old Norse **skinn**, Dutch **schinden**, German **Schinden**

Brow/ lash

Old English **bru**, Middle English **browe**, Old Norse **brun**, German **braue**

Lip

Old English **lippa**, Middle English **lippe**, Dutch **lip**, German **Lippe**, Norwegian **lepe**

Chin

Old and Middle English **cin cinn**, Old Norse **kinn**, Dutch **kin**, German **Kinn chin**

Elbow

Old English **elnboga elboga**, Middle English **elbowe**, Old Norse **olnbogi**, Middle Dutch **ellenboghe elleboog**, Old High German **ellinbogo**, German **Ellenbogen**

Knuckles

Middle English **knokel**, Middle Low German Middle Dutch **knökel**, Dutch **kneukel (knok)**, German **Knöchel (Knochen)**

Back

Old English **bak**, Middle English **bæc**, Old Frisian **bek**, Old Norse Old Swede **bak**

Leg

Middle English and Old Norse **leggr**, Danish **læg**

Buttock

Old English **buttuc**, Middle English **buttok**

Blood

Old English **blod**, Middle English **blod**, Germanic **bloda**, Old Norse and Goth **bloth**, Old Frisian and Old Swede **blod**, Old High German **bluot**, German **Blut**, African, Danish, Norwegian or

Swedish **blod**, Dutch **bloed**, Latin **sanguis**, French **sang**,
Spanish **sangre**

Ass (*vulgar*)

Old English **ærs ears**, *Middle English* **ars**, *Old Frisian* **ers**,
Old Norse, Middle Low German, Old Swedish, and Old High
German **ars**, *Dutch* **aars**

Although many of the words spoken during this period were later eliminated, according to some accounts eighty-five percent, the importance of Old English in Modern English can not be exaggerated. The fact is that Old English forms the backbone of the English which is spoken today. It is for this reason that, despite all the subsequent influence that Latin, (both the classical and vulgar version); Classical Greek; and French, (both the Norman and Parisian version); may have had, English is not a Romance language. At its core, English is a Germanic language. Because of Old English, the basic structure of English is Germanic. The bulk of the prepositions, pronouns, auxiliaries, conjunction as well as words of fundamental concept come to English from the old English period. Most of the most frequently used words in English trace their origin back to Old English. Therefore, to find the cognates of most, if not all, of the most basic, fundamental, and frequently used words of English, one must go to the different Germanic languages of both branches of the language tree. (appendix 4)

Middle English

The Norman Invasion took place in 1066. However, although the Normans greatly influenced the English language, for the first century or so Old English remained, in general, unchanged. For the student of the history of the English language, even fifty years or so after the Norman invasion, English had remained being a language which most English speakers would not easily recognize. Although inflections for both nouns and adjectives were becoming obsolete, inflections in other areas of the grammar were still important.

Old English started transitioning into Middle English around the mid point of the 12th century. Although not a language that most speakers of modern English would recognize, Middle English most definitely was a language much more recognizable. In every area, English was changing. In the areas of pronunciation, the pronunciation of vowels was becoming more like their pronunciation in modern English. For example, long vowels became short when they were before two or more consonants: sleep vs. slept/ deep vs. depth . Another example would be the elimination of diphthongs as in the word 'deop' to the simple vowel and the replacement of the 'y' in words such as 'hyll' or 'fyr' to the 'i' as in 'hill' and 'fire'. In the area of orthography the transition from Old to Middle English was nothing to sneeze at: 1) the elimination of the 'æ' to, depending on the word, the short 'a' or long 'e', 2) the replacement of the 'c' with the 'ch' as in 'child', 3) the replacement of 'cw' with 'qu' as in 'queen', 4) the elimination of þ and ð with the 'th' and 5) the replacement of the 'c' for the 'k' before front vowels as in the word 'keep' . In the area of grammar the changes were quite dramatic. In a nutshell, English ceased being a synthetic or inflected language in which some words indicate such grammatical relationship such as number, case, gender or tense. English became an analytical language in which particles, rather than inflections, are used to express grammatical relationships (*handsomer* vs *more* handsome). In the area of verbs,

English began to have only two cases, strong and weak, now known as regular and irregular.

Ironically enough, even a century after the Norman conquest, the influence of French in English was kept at a minimum. The reasons for this are numerous. For one, English was considered the language of the socially inferior; therefore, as a rule, it was treated by elites of the society, many of whom did not speak or understand English, with indifference. As a result, the language was, for almost two centuries, considered a dialect spoken by those who had no power. Norman French remained in its position as the official language until the forced separation of Normandy from England. Although during this period a great number of words from French enter into English, the number was no where near the amount that would be borrowed later.

French imported more than ten thousand words into English. As a result, hundreds of words from Old and Middle English were forced out of the language. (appendix 5) However, it must never be forgotten that despite tremendous influence that French had in English, it never had the impact that Old Norse had. Old Norse actually changed the very essence of English; French did not. The reasons are not hard to understand. By 1066, English was too well established in both its written and spoken form to be easily eliminated or changed. Norman French never became a natural language of England as a whole; it was only a means of communication to the tiny elite of the country. Also, intermarriage can not be ignored. The Normans did not remain separate from the population which they conquered. Many times the offspring of such unions spoke either both Norman French and English or only English.

English remained English; French was incorporated within the existing structure to make it stronger and richer. In no area of structure did French change English. This fact can be easily demonstrated. For example, in the area of syntax (word order) only in very few cases do adjectives follow the noun (attorney general or court martial). In all other cases, the norm is that the adjective precedes the noun. Another example would be in the area of verbs. When French verbs entered into English, their grammatical structures remained outside. That is to say, only the essence of the verb was incorporated; all of their grammatical endings were eliminated. They generally came into the language as regular rather than irregular verbs. As a result, the 'weak' past inflection 'ed', became much more dominant, eventually becoming the normal ending of most verbs in English in the past tense. It is for this reason that the overwhelming majority of irregular verbs in the past are from the Germanic, rather than the French or Latin, area of English. (appendix 6) French did not enter the language English all at once. It did so in stages:

1. first one hundred years ---- no increase of French in English
2. last one half of the 12th century ---- slight increase
3. 1200-1250 ---- increase
4. post 1250 ---- greater increase
5. 1300-1400 ---- period of the greatest borrowing
6. 1400 ---- sharp drop and eventual tapering off

Words of the body which came into English prior to 1250

Figure

(1175-1225)

Old French and Middle English **figure**, Latin **figura**, French **forme**, Spanish **figura**

Skull

(1175-1225)

Middle English **scolle**, Old Norse **skalli skoltr**, Latin **calvaria calva**, French **crâne**, Spanish **calavera**

Words of the body which came into English post 1250

Face

(1250-1300)

Middle English, Anglo-French, Old French **facia**, Latin **facies**, Late Middle English **facen**, French **visage face**, Spanish **cara**

Whiskers (whisk + er)

(1325-1375)

whisk

Middle English (Scots) **wysk**, Scots **wisk quhisk**, Old Norse **visk**, Swedish **viska**, Danish **vishe**, Old High German **wisken**

Jaw

(1325-1375)

Middle English **jawe jowe**, Latin **maxilla mala fauces**, Old French **joue joe**, French **mâchoire**, Spanish **mandibula**

Palm

(1300-1350)

Old English **folm**, Middle English **paume**, Middle French and Latin **palma**, French **paume**, Spanish **palma**

Stomach

(1300-1350)

Middle English **stomack**, Old French **stomaque estomac**, Greek **stomakhos**, Latin **stomachus venter**, French **estomac**, Spanish **estómago**

Testicles

(1375-1425)

Latin **testiculus**, French **testicules**, Spanish **testiculos**

to breathe

(1250-1300 (*derived from breath*))

Old English **bræth**, Middle English **brethen**, Frisian **sykhelje**, German **atmen**, Afrikaans **asem**, Dutch **andemen ademhalen**, Danish **ånde**, Latin **duco spiro respiro**, French **respirer**, Spanish **respirar**

The late Middle Ages was one of great changes in England. The growth of towns, the death of feudalism, hastened by the Black Death, and the rise of the middle class and free, self-governing communities all

led to the growing domination and self-assuredness of the English language and culture. Slowly, all levels of the population began to see that the language in which they communicated was more than a dialect that only the peasantry spoke.

The new attitude led to the growing importance of English in all areas of society. The fourteenth century witnessed the resurgence of English in the official and governmental spheres. In 1349, English began to replace French as the language of instruction; by 1382, it was rare to find a school where French, rather than English, was the language of instruction. In 1362, Parliament opened, for the first time, in English rather than French. It was also in that year that law courts were ordered to be conducted in English rather than Norman French.

The new growing self-awareness of English continued into fifteenth century. It was the period that the first monarchs who were completely fluent in English reigned, Richard II and Henry IV. It was also in that period that Geoffrey Chaucer wrote *Canterbury Tales*, William Langland wrote *Piers Plowman*, and John Wycliffe for the first time, successfully translated the entire bible into English.

As Englishmen became more confident in the language which they spoke, they opened up to possibilities which had once been rejected. As was shown in the table above, it was not until the fourteenth and fifteenth century that thousands of French words were allowed to enter into English. It was also during these centuries that a large number of Latin words entered English.

Throughout the history of English, Latin has, on and off, entered English. However, it was not until the period immediately prior to and during the Renaissance, did the English begin to borrow Latin in any

great quantity. Although there were scholars such as Sr. John Cheke, who believed that English could be used to express any idea, there were those who believed that English was a language which could, without any problem, put into words less sophisticated, more concrete ideas. It was ideal to express blunt, straightforward and plain-spoken ideas. However, Latin and Greek were considered much better suited to verbalize the more abstract, nuance, subtle and conceptual areas of life.

Originally, much of the Latin which had come into English had done so indirectly French. That changed, however, once original Latin text became available. Latin, and eventually Greek, began to be borrowed directly.

By the time the early modern period, all the vocabulary used to describe the body was already well established. The only new words of the body which came into the language were those of the internal organs. The body parts which were discovered during the early modern and modern period have either Latin or Greek origin, languages which doctor and scientist continued utilizing long after the world had ceased. Of these parts of the body, almost none is rich in metaphors or symbolism.

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Head

(entered into English before 900)

Old English **heafod**, Middle English **he(v)ed**, Old High German **houbit**, Old Norse **hofuth**, Dutch **hoofd**, Danish **hoved**, German **Kopf**, Swedish **huvud kranie**, Norwegian **leder lede hode**, Afrikann **kop**, Latin **caput**, French **tête**, Spanish **cabeza**

Prefixes and/or suffixes which mean **head**:

capit- (from Latin) combining form relating to the **head**

capt- (from the Latin *capitaneus*) combining form pertaining to the **head**

caput- (from Latin) combining form meaning **head**

head

1. (medical) skull, cranium
When the other car hit me from behind. I hit my **head**.
2. (slang) upstairs, belfry, noggin, dome, nut, noodle, gourd, nod
3. intellect, mind, wit, wisdom
He has quite a **head** on his shoulder. It should take him far.
4. (slang) gray matter
5. authority, command, throne, helm, directorship, leadership
This is the **head**. All orders come from here.
6. leader, senior, director, provost, premier, prime minister
He is the **head** of this network; therefore, what he says goes.
7. (informal) the one in charge, boss
8. (slang) the **head honcho**, where the buck stops, the man, chief, the one who calls the shots, kingpin, boss man, big cheese, headman, number one, Mr. Big
9. (British/informal) gaffer

10. a number of cattle or other same type animal

Although my grandparents were poor, they were able to buy a couple **head** of buffalo.

11. top, terminal, summit, crest, acme, furthest, terminus, apex, point, extremity, spike, cusp, tip top, end

At last, we have almost reached the **head**.

12. front, fore, **face**, front line, avant-garde, point

13. the top of a staircase

She is waiting for you at the **head** of the staircase.

14. climax, crescendo, critical point, turning point, crossroads

Everything is coming to a **head**.

15. froth, foam, suds, lather, puff, collar

This beer has quite a **head** on it.

16. a fully developed pimple, **blackhead** or boil

This boil has finally reached a **head**. I going to pop it.

17. spur, point, bill, **tongue**

18. a person as a numerical unit
It will cost you a thousand dollars a **head**. Take it or leave it.

19. origin, rise, **fountainhead**, wellspring, mainspring

20. the operational end of a tool
The **head** of the screwdriver is chipped.

21. as a unit of measurement
Most basketball players are about a **head** taller than most men.

22. the top and edible part of a leafy plant
This **head** of lettuce is bad. Get another one.

23. the top part of a match, screw, nail or pin
These matches are ruined; their **heads** are wet.

24. the upper part of a bed or table
This is a round table; therefore, no one can claim to sit at the **head**. There is no **head**.

25. the part of a tape recorder which records, play or erase

26. the upper most part of a page in a book

27. bows of a ship and the top of a ship's mast
28. (slang) the toilet on a ship or boat
29. (informal) the hair covering the head
30. (slang) habitual user of drugs, i.e. **pothead**, **acid head**
crack head
31. *(vulgar) fellatio, oral sex*

head

1. first, leading, main, principally
He is the **head** coach; everyone else must do his bidding.
2. supreme, paramount, culminating
3. extreme, ultimate
4. frontal, front, forward
5. top, summit, uppermost, foremost, tip-top, cap, crown
6. (more stylistic) apogee, pinnacle, vertex

to head

1. to go first, precede, go before, go in advance
2. to lead, direct, govern, oversee
As he is the president of the company, he will **head** the meeting.
3. (informal) to run, **head, head up**, make the rules, lay down the rules
4. to crown, top, top off, cap off
5. to herald, introduce
6. to outdo, excel, take the lead, beat, best, better
7. to outrank, overbear, outweigh, overbalance
8. to outdistance, distance, leave behind, leave in the lurch
9. to direct, command, regulate, sway
10. to guide, pull the strings
11. to preside, captain, pilot
12. to turn, steer, aim, point, direct
12. **to head for**, make for
13. to verge, bend to, point, lead, dispose

heads

the obverse or front side of a coin

When tossing a coin you can choose either **heads** or tails.

a good head on one's shoulder

1. brilliant, intelligent, capable, talented, quick, smart, clever, bright, wise, gifted, talented (usually said to someone young)

A good head on your shoulders will help you later in life.

2. (more stylistic) proficient, apt, keen, astute, precocious, acute, prudent, percipient, sharp, sharp-witted, cunning, luminous, well-endowed, discerning, perceptive, perspicacious, competent
3. hard headed, sharp as a tack, **good head**, top notch, **sharp-eyed**, top flight, **long-headed**, ace or **a good head on one's shoulder**
4. a cracker jack, or a crack, being top drawer, crack, being on the ball

acid head

frequent user of drugs, especially LSD and other mind-altering drugs

Back in the 60s, he **was such an acid head**.

acting head

1. substitute, performing, serving, functional, operative or working director, temporary person in charge

Since the president is not available, the vice president **will be the acting head**. Therefore, he has the power to act.

2. (informal) fill-in, **back up**, sub director

3. (negative) **titular** or **figure head**, posing, feigning or pretending to be in charge

addle-head

1. being stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy, witless

He such an **addle-headed** that I don't think he will ever get what I want.

2. to be torpid, uncritical, obtuse, uncomprehending, blind, vacuous, undiscerning, purblind or dense
3. (informal) not being very intelligent, being a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted or witless, being dopey, **blubber head**, lumpish, blockish or **blockhead**
4. (slang) being a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull
5. *to be an asshole, ass*

assumed head

1. presumed, presumable, anticipated, expected, plausible or given person in charge

He **is the assumed head** of his father; therefore, in a couple of months he will be taking over the company.

2. (more stylistic) presupposed, hypothetical, presumptive or apparent

3. (informal) in the cards, taken for granted, likely, sure, all likelihood, most likely, odds on, with no question, in all probability, all things considered or everything being equal person in charge

at the head

1. **at the head of**, the first, before someone else, toward the front, in front of, before, **in the head**, in the front position, in the lead, in the lead position

You can't miss her. She's in the line; she's **at the head**.

2. (more stylized) premier, foremost, in advance, in the vanguard
3. (informal) out front, in the lead, **at the head, at the head of**, at the front of, on the cutting edge, the **spearhead**, in the vanguard
4. at the top of, at summit of, at the peak, the upper end of
5. (more stylized) at the pinnacle, crown, apex, vertex, crest
6. (informal) at the tip top, very top

at the head of

1. **at the head of**, the first, before someone else, toward the front, in front of, before, **in the head**, in the front position, in the lead, in the lead position

Because her name begins with the first letter of the alphabet, she is **always at the head of** everyone in line

2. (more stylized) premier, foremost, in advance, in the vanguard

3. (informal) out front, in the lead, **at the head, at the head of**, at the front of, on the cutting edge, the **spearhead**, in the vanguard
4. in the position or place of leadership, the leader or lead
He **is the head of** the family.
5. (informal) **head**, boss, biggest fish in the pond
6. (slang) number one, the super, biggest frog in the pond,
headman, head honcho
7. at the top of, at summit of, at the peak, the upper end of
I took the picture **at the head of** the mountain.
8. (more stylized) at the pinnacle, crown, apex, vertex, crest
9. (informal) at the tip top, very top

at the head of the pack

1. before, in the forefront, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the foreground, foremost, in the lead, out in front, heading, succeeding

He is always **at the head** of the pack. **Keep your eyes** him.
2. (informal) on the top of the heap, ahead of the game, leading, well heeled
3. (slang) sitting pretty, on top of the heap, head honcho, on top of the pile
4. on the cutting edge, in the advance of, pacesetter, forerunner, spearhead, pioneer, ground breaker, leader

What she's wearing may look strange but in a month or two it will be the fashion of the day. She has always been **at the head of the pack**.

5. (more stylistic) foregoer, in the vanguard, vaunt-courier, in the forefront, precursor, avant-courier, advance guard, innovator
6. (informal) trailblazer, trendsetter, mover, spark, pathfinder, new blood

bad headache

1. pain or ache in one's head, **having one's head ache**, **terrible headache**, migraine, **headache**, **bad headache**

I **have such a bad headache** that I can't go to the movies with you.

2. (informal) **having a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **having one's head exploding**

beachhead

1. (normally used as a military term) place to stand on, standing, base, support, grip on the beach

It was very difficult for the soldiers to get a **beachhead**.

2. (more stylized) base, foundation, hold, support, place on which to stand, vantage, position
3. **toehold**, **bridgehead**, **beachhead**

big-head

1. conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty,

vain, self-centered, self-important

He **has such a big head** that I doubt he even knows that you exist.

2. (more stylish) haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, lordly, pompous, pretentious
3. (informal) **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, **swell-headed**, smug, cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin, hoity-toity, **big headed**
4. (slang) too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty or sniffy

blackhead

a small spot of dirt deep in the skin, usually found along the lips or on the face

Of course, it figures that on my prom night that I would get a **blackhead**.

block head

1. stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple, dizzy

What a **blockhead**! You know that he won't call.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) not very intelligent, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, numskull

bone-head

1. stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple, dizzy

He doesn't think. He is a **bone-head**.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) not very intelligent, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**
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bridgehead

1. (normally used as a military term) place to stand on, standing, base, support, grip on the beach

It was very difficult for the soldiers to get a **beachhead**.

2. (more stylized) base, foundation, hold, support, place on which to stand, vantage, position
3. **toehold**, **bridgehead**, **beachhead**

bullet-head

1. being a person who is not easily hurt, offended or insulted, hard, un pitying, untouched, unmerciful, insensitive, callous, unfeeling, shrewd, frigid, uncaring

What a **bullet head**. He doesn't give a damn about anyone but himself.

2. (more stylistic) uncompassionate, callous, impervious, merciless, unstirred, unsympathetic, immune, inured, unsentimental, passionless
3. (informal) **soulless**, **hard-nosed**, cold, hard-bitten, stony, **hard-hearted**, hard, **heartless**, immovable, uncaring, harden, hard-boiled, **bullet-headed**, case-harden, **marble-hearted**, casehardened, inflexible, matter-of-fact

blubber head

1. not very intelligent, stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt, lout

He **is a blubber head** who does not know what he is doing.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) not very intelligent, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop, **blockhead**

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, numskull
5. *ass, asshole*

cash on the barrelhead

1. in cash, cash only

I don't accept anything but **cash on the barrelhead**.

2. (informal) no credit cards allowed, on the counter, on the barrel **into the hand**
3. immediately, without delay, now ,immediate payment
Cash **on the barrelhead**, I don't have much time to waste.

chopping off one's head

1. **removing one's head, taking one's head off, taking off one's head**

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chuckle-head

1. being a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop being such a **chuckle-head** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded, blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed, lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head, birdbrain**

clear head

1. thinking and acting rationally, **functioning with a clear mind**, sane, clear thinking, thinking, composed, unperturbed, collected, serene, self-controlled, unruffled, unflappable, even-tempered
2. (more stylistic) lucid, cognitive, rational, comprehending, circumspect, judicious, prudent, discreet

3. (informal) long-headed, clear-sighted, long sighted, far sighted **level-headed**, far-seeing, cool-headed, cool, not flustered or discombobulated, **cool-headed**

4. aware, alert, sharp, observant, watchful, wary, uneasy, quick-witted, sharp

In the game of politics, one must always have a **clear head**.

5. (more stylistic) thoughtful, vigilant, apprehensive, halting, cautious, chary, regardful, perceptive, smart, keen, conscious

6. (informal) **all ears**, on the alert, **on one's toes**, **mindful**, on the lookout, open-eyed, wide awake, on the job, be on the ball

7. (slang) being nobody's fool, having not been yesterday

coke head

frequent user of cocaine

He **is a coke head** who will kill to get a hit.

cool head

1. thinking and acting rationally, **functioning with a clear mind**, sane, clear thinking, thinking, composed, unperturbed, collected, serene, self-controlled, unruffled, unflappable, even-tempered

He has a **cool head**; therefore, I believe that can withstand the pressure.

2. (more stylistic) lucid, cognitive, rational, comprehending, circumspect, judicious, prudent, discreet

3. (informal) long-headed, clear-sighted, long sighted, far sighted, **level-headed**, far-seeing, **cool-headed**, cool, not be discombobulated, flustered

copper head

(historical term/U.S./ Civil War) a northern Democrat who opposed the Civil War in the United States and advocated peace and the restoration of the Union in its prewar conditions, including slavery, northern anti-abolitionist

My great-great-great grandfather **was a strong copper head.**

crack head

frequent user of crack

She should not get pregnant; she **is a crack head.**

crowned head

being the legally recognized monarch of a country

William the Conqueror had not originally been the **crowned** head of England; King Harold was.

department head

head of the department or **section head** in any large institution, **faculty head** in an academic institution

Just because you are the **department head** that does not mean that you can control what I do or don't do outside of the work space.

deadhead

1. being an annoyance, irritant, bother, burden, nuisance, load, problem, tiresome person, weight, bore or pain

He's such a **deadhead**, especially when he talks too much.

2. (more stylized) being a bane, nuisance, vexation, vexatious, vexing, worrisome or irritating person, irritant, encumbrance, onus, albatross, impediment, liability, **albatross round one's neck, yoke around one's neck, yoke round one's neck** or **albatross around one's neck**

3. (informal) being salt in the wound, be a cross, millstone, thorn, bore, nag, pest, pill, a cross to bear, crashing bore, **a thorn in the side, pain the neck** or **rear, a thorn in the flesh**, pea in the shoe, dry-as-dust, loser, gadfly, bur, frightful bore, a cross to bear, hard to stand, **up one's nose, a millstone around one's neck** or **a millstone round one's neck**
4. (slang) being a flat tire, drip, downer, **pain in the butt**, retreat, **pain in the behind, deadhead**, wet blanket, **a pain in the rear, headache**, pill, pain in the you know where or thorn
5. *being a pain in the ass*

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dope head

frequent user of drugs

He's a **dope head** from way back when.

drooping head

1. lowering or bending one's head in shame, sorrow or exhaustion
Her **drooping head** showed me how tired she was.
2. bowing one's head in humiliation, mortification, depletion, sadness or grief
3. slumping, crouching, slouching, hanging down or hanging loosely one's head

dunderhead

1. unintelligent, blank, stupid, foolish, a fool

Don't **be a dunderhead**; he's not coming back to you. Never!

2. (informal) **fathead**, meatball, **addle-brain**, moron, booby, dope, **blubber head**

egghead

1. intellectual, genius
2. (more stylistic) bibliophile, pedant, scholar,
3. (informal) walking encyclopedia, high brow, brain, bookworm, Einstein, long headed, crack

Don't be such an egghead!!

4. (insulting) know-it-all, be a miss, mister know-it-all, stuff-shirt, mental giant
5. (French) au fait

faculty head

department head, **head of the department** or **section head** in an academic institution

Just because you are the **faculty head** that does not mean that you can control what I do in my classroom.

fathead

1. lumpish, blunt, stolid, thick, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, a dunce, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop being such a **fathead** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead** or ding-bat, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, being a dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

You **are a fathead!**

feather head

1. not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic, absurd, silly, giddy, flighty

She flutters around like a butterfly. She is a **feather head**.
2. (more stylistic) childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless, vapid, vacuous, stolid, fatuous
3. (informal) dim-witted, for the birds, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, dumb, **scatterbrained**, **crackbrained**, **dunderheaded**, asinine, green, **harebrained**, slow, harebrained, **bird-brained**, half-witted, thick headed, **rattlebrained**, **muddle headed**, **thick skulled**, befuddled, a **blockhead**, out of it, sophomoric
4. (slang to vulgar) being a dam fool or drag, balmy, dam-foolish,

fountainhead

1. origin, source or genesis
2. the ground, base or reason
3. condition, first factor, or impulse

from head to foot

1. fully, completely, all-including, widespread, totally, entirely, wholly, altogether, all-embracing, through out, all over

He completely renovated the house, **from head to foot**.
2. (more stylistic) expansively, comprehensively, exhaustively, inclusively, thoroughly, extensively
3. (informal) from beginning to end, from A to Z, from soups to nuts, from top to bottom, hook, line and sinker, alpha and omega, from A to Zed, **heart and soul**, wall-to-wall, **from head to foot**, from stern to stern

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good head

1. intelligent, capable, talented, quick, smart, clever, bright, wise, capable, gifted, talented

He has a **good head**; don't worry about him.

2. (more stylistic) proficient, apt, keen, astute, precocious, acute, prudent, percipient, sharp, sharp-witted, cunning, luminous, well-endowed, discerning, perceptive, perspicacious, competent
3. hard headed, sharp as a tack, **good head**, top notch, **sharp-eyed**, top flight, **long-headed**, ace, **a good head on one's shoulder**
4. cracker jack, top drawer, crack, on the ball

hard head

1. being ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding or adamant
He has the most **hard-head** person that I have ever known.
2. (more stylish) being implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising or refractory

3. (informal) being mulish, wrongheaded, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded** or **single-minded**
4. (slang) being dogged, cussed or bulldogged
5. *(vulgar) being hard-assed*
6. being tough, icy, unsentimental, practical, stern, callous, case-hardened, determined, staunch, relentless or preserving

Her tears won't affect him; he has a very **hard-head**.
7. (more stylistic) being efficient, calculating, shrewd, unsympathetic, unflagging, indurate, inured, unwavering, deliberate, wanton or uncompromising
8. (informal) being inflexible, uncompromising, unbending, hard-line, hardcore, hard-shell, stubborn, hardboiled, **two-fisted**, stony, **thick-skinned**, **hard-hearted**, hardboiled hard as nails or rugged
9. (slang) do-or-die, being hell-bent, gritty or bent on

having a bad headache

1. having a pain or ache in one's head, **having one's head aching**, **having a terrible headache**, having a migraine, having a bad headache, **having a headache**, **having a bad headache**

Having a bad headache is not allowing me to go to the party.
2. (informal) to **having a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **having one's head exploding**

having a good head for

1. having a talent, gift, aptitude or **mind for**

Having a good head for languages can be a great asset.

2. (informal) having a bent or knack for
3. (French) savior-faire

having a good head for figures

1. having an aptitude or facility for mathematics

Having a good head for figures can always come in handy.

2. (informal) being good at numbers, be quick with numbers, be a crackerjack or whiz-bang at numbers

having a good head on one's shoulder

1. being brilliant, intelligent, capable, talented, quick, smart, clever, bright, wise, capable, gifted or talented (usually said to someone young)

Having a good head on your shoulders will help you later in life.

2. (more stylistic) being proficient, apt, keen, astute, precocious, acute, prudent, percipient, sharp, sharp-witted, cunning, luminous, well-endowed, discerning, perceptive, perspicacious or competent
3. being hard headed, sharp as a tack, **good head**, top notch, **sharp-eyed**, top flight, **long-headed**, ace or **a good head on one's shoulder**
4. being a cracker jack, or a crack, being top drawer, crack, being on the ball

having a hard head

1. being ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding or adamant

Having a hard-head, he never listens.

2. (more stylish) being implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising or refractory
3. (informal) being mulish, wrongheaded, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded** or **single-minded**
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Having a hard-head and **a hard heart**, tears do not move him.

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9. (slang) do-or-die, being hell-bent, gritty or bent on

having one's head in the sky

1. being unreal, idealistic, romantic, unrealistic, impractical or overly optimistic, dreamy

Having one's head in the sky can be, at times, be good.

2. (more stylistic) being madcap, chimerical, quixotic, preposterous, utopian or inutile
3. (informal) seeing life through rose colored glasses, being dreamy, living on cloud nine, being builder of castles in the sky, **head-in-the-sky** or spacey, **starry-eyed**, **having one's head in the sky**

having the worst headache

1. having a pain or ache in one's head, **having one's head aching**, **having a terrible headache**, having a migraine, having a bad headache, **having a headache**, **having a bad headache**

I'm **having the worst headache**.

2. (informal) to **having a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **having one's head exploding**

headache

1. pain in the head, migraine

I have a terrible, throbbing, splitting **headache**.

2. being an annoyance, irritant, bother, burden, nuisance, load, problem, tiresome person, weight, bore or pain

He's such a **headache**, especially when he talks too much.

3. (more stylized) being a bane, nuisance, vexation, vexatious, vexing, worrisome or irritating person, irritant, encumbrance, onus, albatross, impediment, liability, **albatross round one's neck**, **yoke around one's neck**, **yoke round one's neck** or **albatross around one's neck**

4. (informal) being salt in the wound, be a cross, millstone, thorn, bore, nag, pest, pill, a cross to bear, crashing bore, **a thorn in the side, pain the neck** or **rear, a thorn in the flesh**, pea in the shoe, dry-as-dust, loser, gadfly, bur, frightful bore, a cross to bear, hard to stand, **up one's nose, a millstone around one's neck** or **a millstone round one's neck**
5. (slang) being a flat tire, drip, downer, **pain in the butt**, retreat, **pain in the behind, deadhead**, wet blanket, **a pain in the rear, headache**, pill, pain in the you know where or thorn
6. *(vulgar) being a pain in the ass*

head and shoulder above

1. better, of the first order, exceptional, first-class, choice, above average, superlative, rare, the best or of a higher grade, looking better than, uncommon

She is **head and shoulder above** her competition.
2. (more stylized) nonpareil, unprecedented, superior, incomparable, outstanding, superlative, singular, unparallel peerless, prevailing over, extraordinaire, unparalleled
3. (informal) top-notch, tip-top, top-grade, top-drawer, a cut above, outshine, outrival, outmatch
4. (slang) crackerjack, cat's meow, the cat's pajama, top dog, dwarf

head-banger

fan or performer of heavy metal music, **metal-head**

head butt

an aggressive thrust of one's head into the face or the body of another
He an aggressive fighter; he loves to give people **head butts**.

head case

1. mentally unbalanced, berserk, crazy, **unsound mind**
2. (more stylized) lunatic, insane, deranged, unsound, mad, demented, of unsound mind
3. (informal) out in left field, unbalanced, **out of one's head, out of one's mind**, crackpot, not quite right upstairs, not all there, have a few buttons missing, not quite right
4. (slang) stark raving mad, nutty, screwy, unhinged, batty, nutty, bats, cuckoo, not all there, bananas, cracked, have bats in one's belfry, schizo, off one's nut
5. (British/informal) pony, dotty
6. (British/slang) off one's chump, bonkers
7. (Latin) non compos mentis
8. (French) fou
9. (Spanish) loco

head cold

a cold in the head, mainly affecting the sinus

head count

number of people present, **nose count, count heads** or **noses**

Let's take a **head count** so we'll know how many persons are here.

head dress

1. covering for the head i.e. hat, turban, **head wrap**
2. the manner which one's arranges one hair, **hair dresser** or **hair style**

head dresser

the person who styles one's hair, **hair stylist**, beautician or **hair dresser**
Head dresser, **hair dresser** and beautician are older terms. Currently, most people say **hair stylist** or stylist.

headfirst

1. thoughtlessly, carelessly, in a manner which is foolhardy, unwise, rash, unreflective

I'm always going **headfirst** in any situation.

2. (more stylized) recklessly, impulsively, incautiously, ill-advisedly, heedlessly, inattentively, unthinkingly or impetuously, in a manner which is unheeding, ill-suited, hasty, ill-advised, injudicious, overhasty or uncircumspect
3. (informal) rashly, impulsively, on the spur of the moment, recklessly, helter-skelter, unmindfully, foolishly, **headlong**, devil-may-care, mindlessly, **head-on**

I'm always falling in love **headfirst**.

headgear

head covering i.e. hat, helmet, cap

head honcho

1. executive, principal, dean, director, administrator, president, **head master**

He is the **headmaster** of one of the most expensive schools in the US.

2. (informal) **head**, overseer, chief
3. (slang) the man

head hunter

the person who looks for professional employees

I talked to a number of **headhunters** concerning working in a law firm in New York.

head-in-the-sky

1. being unreal, idealistic, romantic, unrealistic, impractical or overly optimistic, dreamy

She is a **head-in-the-sky** student who is always daydreaming.

2. (more stylistic) being madcap, chimerical, quixotic, preposterous, utopian or inutile
3. (informal) seeing life through rose colored glasses, being dreamy, living on cloud nine, being builder of castles in the sky, **head-in-the-sky**, spacey or **starry-eyed**, **having one's head in the sky**

headless

1. without a head

When they found the body, it was **headless**.

2. (more stylize) decapitated, decollated, beheaded

3. leaderless, aimless, wayward, without a leader or aim, without direction

The group was **headless**.

4. simple, unintelligent, not very intelligent, foolish, silly,

He is **headless**. How is he going to survive without his parents?

5. (informal) **simple minded, mindless, addle-headed, brainless, empty-headed**, dim-witted, slow witted, **scatter-brain, bird brained, featherbrained, brainless**

6. (slang) not the sharpest knife in the drawer, not the sharpest tool in the shed, off in a world of one's own, deaf, dumb and blind

head lights

the lights in the front of a motor vehicle, used in the night or when it is dark

I know that it is not real dark but I would feel more comfortable if you put on the **headlights**, please.

headline

the caption, title, or banner of a newspaper

The young man's death will be the **headline** of tomorrow's newspaper.

headliner

the star of a play or movie, the first name on a marquee

She is the **headliner** of the Broadway play.

headlock

the way of holding one around the neck so that movement is impossible (a very popular move in wrestling)

Once he got his opponent in a **headlock**, he knew that he was going to win the match.

headlong

1. **head first, in a nose dive**

The airplane went **headlong** into the house and, afterwards, exploded.

2. quickly, speedily, promptly, without delay, sudden

3. (informal) pronto, in a wink, before the ink dried, like mad, like a bat out of hell, suddenly, without notice, on the spur, like a bolt from the blue

He went **headlong** into the house.

4. doing something in a over hasty, rash, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless, or impatient manner, acting without thinking, acting in a manner which is thoughtless, foolish, abrupt, impatient, irresponsible or impulsive

She went **headlong** into love.

5. (more stylized) acting in an unpremeditated, imprudent, thoughtless, incautious, unduly, impetuous, uncircumspect, unheeding, indiscreet, unwary or unbridled manner, act rashly, quixotically, impulsive or in an ill-advised manner

6. (informal) acting in a madcap, mad-brained, short-sighted, unruly, brash, hell-bent, **breakneck** or foolhardy way, to act in a devil-may-care, death defying, hair-brained, heedless, helter-skelter, brash, **breakneck**, **head-over-heel**, punch drunk, **mad brained** or foolhardy manner, out-of-hand

headman

1. the leader of a group, community or society

He is the **headman** of this area; to get anything done you must first consult with him.

2. (more stylize) to be the authority, task master, one in charge, command, in control or in the lead, director
3. (informal) man in the charge, boss, number one
4. (slang) the man, top dog, kingpin, big cheese, big wheel, high man on the totem pole, **head honcho**
5. (British) governor

headmaster

1. executive, principal, dean, director, administrator, president

He is the **headmaster** of one of the most expensive schools in the US.

2. (informal) **head**, overseer, chief
3. (slang) the man, **head honcho**

headmistress

(old-fashioned term)

director of a private school

head money

the money offered for the capture of an outlaw or fugitive

The **head money** for this one particular criminal could be my ticket to freedom.

headmost

1. foremost, most important, main, principal
2. (more stylize) preeminent, superior, topmost, top, foremost, crowning
3. (informal) man in charge, boss, number one
4. (slang) the man, top dog, big cheese, big wheel, high man on the totem pole, **head honcho**, honcho, grand fromage
5. (Spanish) número uno

head note

hand or typewritten notes, explanation or brief summary which precedes a chapter or a report

head of

1. the part used for striking or hitting

The **head of** the hammer is damaged.
2. a person or animal considered merely as one of a many

I have ten **head of** cattle.
3. the froth or foam of a liquid

Some beers have a full **head of** foam.
4. the source of a river or stream

Where is the **head of** the Nile?

head of a page

beginning of or top of

head of state

the person who holds the highest position of government i.e. president, king, prime minister

In the US the president is the **head of state** while in England the prime minister is.

head of the department

section head or **department head** in any large institution, **faculty head** in an academic institution

Just because you are the **head of the department** that does not mean that you can control what I do or don't do outside of the work space.

head-on

1. linear, straight arrow, straight-on, frontal, without swerving

It **was a head-on** collision; therefore, it is understandable that there were no survivors.

2. (informal) **head-to-head**, front part first, at the front, straight-lined
3. (in reference to information) direct, dependable, sure, straight, reliable, firm

I know that it sounds incredible but my information is **head-on**. It is not **second** or **third hand**; it is **first hand**.

4. (more stylized) unmediated, dependable, personal, immediate

5. (informal) **not second hand**, straight as an arrow, **first hand**, one-to-one, one on one, **not third hand**, **straight from the horse's mouth**, **face-to-face**
6. **vis-à-vis**, **tête-à-tête**

head-on crash

to hit with the front part of the vehicle

The first car hit the other **head-on**. We had a **head-on crash**.

head over heels

1. expressly, intensely, completely, fully, entirely, positively, truly, totally, really, verily, absolutely, without any reservation or condition

He is **head over heels**. Nothing will change his mind.

2. (more stylized) acting in a manner which is ebullient, vehement, zealous, unrestrained, animated, brash, exuberant or ardent, unambiguously, categorically, unequivocally, brashly
3. (informal) out-and-out, outright, flatly, downright, all out, straight out, utterly, backward and forward, through and through, outright, utterly, pell-mell
4. doing something in a over hasty, rash, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless, or impatient manner, act without thinking, act in a manner which is thoughtless, foolish, abrupt, impatient, irresponsible or impulsive, impulsively, wildly, carelessly, heedlessly, blindly, rashly or recklessly

Acting in a **head over heels** manner is dangerous.

5. (more stylized) acting in an unpremeditated, imprudent, thoughtless, incautious, unduly, impetuous, uncircumspect,

unheeding, indiscreet, unwary or unbridled manner, act rashly, quixotically or in an ill-advised manner

6. (informal) acting in a madcap, **mad-brained**, short-sighted, unruly, brash, hell-bent, **breakneck** or foolhardy way, to act in a devil-may-care, death defying, hair-brained, heedless, helter-skelter, brash, **breakneck**, **unmindful**, punch drunk, **mad brained** or foolhardy manner

head over heels in love

1. being expressly, intensely, completely, fully, entirely, positively, truly, totally, really, verily, absolutely or without any reservation or condition in love, be altogether, unreservedly, fully or completely in love

It is not good being **head over heels** in love.

2. (more stylized) acting in a manner which is ebullient, vehement, zealous, animated, exuberant or ardent, unambiguously, categorically, unconditionally or unequivocally infatuated
3. (informal) being out-and-out, outright, flatly, downright, all out, straight out, utterly, backward and forward, through and through, utterly, truly, flat-out, purely and simply or totally in love

I have never seen him in love before; he is **head over heels in love** with the girl that he met last week.

4. doing something in a over hasty, rash, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless, or impatient manner, acting without thinking, acting in a manner which is thoughtless, foolish, abrupt, impatient, irresponsible or impulsive, impulsively, wildly, carelessly, heedlessly, blindly or recklessly

She has lost her mind; she's **head over heels** in love.

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headquarters

1. main offices, H.Q., command post, high command

I'll meet you back at the **headquarters**.

2. military command center consisting of a military commander and his or her staff

I can't help you; all orders are currently coming out of **headquarters**.

head phones

head set or **earphones** used with a stereo system

I don't like these **headphones**; they're not at all comfortable.

headquartered

1. where the main or based offices are located

The command center is **headquartered** in Saudi Arabia.

2. where one is based, the working office or base, the main office from which one works

At least for now, I am **headquartered** in the president's library.

head rest

the part of the chair or seat on which one's rest or support one's head,

head restrain

The **head rest** on these car seats are very comfortable.

head restrain

the part of the chair or seat on which one's rest or support one's head,

head support on front car seats to help prevent injury to the head and back in case of an accident or collision

The **head support** on these car seats are not only very comfortable but strong enough to safeguard one's head and back.

head room

the space above one's head

This car is the first one which I have found that has enough **head room**. I'm sold!

head set

a set of **headphones** and a microphone

I like this **head set**. It's somewhat expensive but worth it.

head shop

a store where drug paraphernalia is sold

head-shrink

1. (slang for) psychologist, psychotherapist, psychiatrist

I'm not going to a **head-shrink**.

2. (slang) shrink

I'm not crazy so no one is going to send me a **head-shrink**.

head-shrinker

one who shrinks the head of one's dead enemies

Many of the cannibals in the Pacific were **head-shrinkers**.

head-splitting

1. very loud, too loud, stun with noise, noisy, deafening, loud sounding, ringing, **split the ear**

The noise coming out of that house is **head-splitting**. My God, what could they be doing?

2. (more stylistic) resounding, rambunctious, thundering, clamorous, boisterous, obstreperous, rackety, blatant, vociferous, blaring, reverberant, piercing, fortissimo, pealing
3. (informal) **ear-rending**, grating, clattery, enough to wake the dead, **ear-piercing**, booming, **headsplitting**, clanging, **ear shattering**, harsh-sounding, clangorous, window-rattling, earthshaking, loud enough to wake the dead, earthshattering, **ear splitting**

headstand

standing on one's hand and head

I have never been able to do a **handstand**.

head start

to begin before the race officially starts

I'll give you a five minute **head start**.

headstone

the head of a grave, grave stone

headstrong

1. stubborn, unbending, strong-willed, unruly, inflexible, willful, disobedient, difficult

He is so **headstrong**. I have never met such a stubborn person.

2. (more stylized) obstinate, intractable, recalcitrant, unyielding, self-willed, implacable, adamant, inexorable, unrelenting, tenacious, incorrigible, pertinacious, preserving, intransigent, willful, unruly, wayward, contrary
3. (slang) cross-grained, **stubborn as a mule**, set in one's way, mulish, die-hard, **stiff-necked**, **hard-nosed**, set, **pigheaded**
4. (slang) cussed, dogged, hard core, wrongheaded, **muleheaded**, **bullheaded**
5. rash, imprudent or unwary
It is not good to **be so headstrong**.
6. not thinking before one acts, foolhardy, heedless, **headlong**, act first and think later

heads-up

1. being resourceful, sharp or quick

He is a **heads-up** person who never let anything get by him.

2. being penetrating, perspicacious, astute, discerning, observant, piercing, keen or percipient
3. being sharp as a tack, **sharp-eyed**, on the ball, **keen-eyed**, quick on the draw, **eagle-eyed** or **lynx-eyed**

head table

the main table at a conference, banquet or festivity

In a reception, the bride and groom sit at the **head table**.

head-to-head

1. confrontation or encounter between two groups, compete, fight, be in opposition to, confront, stand in opposition to, charge

They met **head-to-head** to fight it out.

2. (more formal) set upon, oppose, accost, impugn, affront, encounter, assail, aggress, oppugn, spring upon,
3. (informal) **face in defiance, face-to-face, head-on, stand toe to toe, eye-to-eye, standing facing**, stand up to, light into
4. (French) tête à tête, vis à vis, à deux

head-turning

1. being nice, pleasant, pleasing, or agreeable to look at, attractive, handsome, pretty, beautiful, noticeable, attractive or striking

That dress is certainly **head-turning**.

2. (highly stylized) lovely, artistic, exquisite, in grand-style
3. (informal) good-looking, having good looks, **pleasing to the eye, easy on the eye**, easy to look at or not hard to look at, **eye-filling**
4. (slang) **eye-candy**

headwaiter

the person who is in charge of the other waiters

As the **headwaiter**, I have a number of waiters under my command.

headway

1. progress, progression, forward movement

I'm not making any **headway** on this damn freeway.

2. improvement, betterment, advancement

He made a lot of **headway** during the semester.

3. headroom, room to spare, space, clearance

You have a lot of **headway** here.

headwork

1. speculation, thinking, thinking about, wondering about, considering, meditation, reflection

The **headwork** necessary to get this work done is going to be considerable.

2. (more stylistic) rumination, cerebrating, ruminating, cerebration, musing, pondering, brooding over, cogitation, contemplation

3. (informal) chewing over, **having one's mind on**, chewing the cud, putting on one's thinking cap, **brainwork**, chewing over an idea, mulling over, wondering about

heads

with the top part of a coin facing up

You won. It's **heads**.

heads or tails

to decide something or to gamble by flipping or tossing a coin

What do you want, **heads or tails**?

heads up

1. to be thoughtful, careful, regardful, sensitive, sober, diplomatic, cautious, guarded, discreet, civil, moderate, reflective, alert, watchful, observant, attentive or conscious

It important that we all be **heads up**; the boss will be arriving any minute now.

2. to be tactful, wary, delicate, judicious, heedful, on the qui vive, prudent, discerning, Argus eyed, scrupulous, precautionary, perspicacious, circumspect or chary
3. to be **mindful**, up and about, on guard, on the look out, fussy, **heads up**, on the ball, picky, on the alert, **on one's toes** or **hairsplitting**, on the stick, on the watch, wide-awake, **all eyes and ears**

honorary head

1. **in title only**, **titular** or **nominal head**

He **is only the honorary head** of the company. You can not expect him to take any real kind of decision. He has no real power.

2. (informal) **head in name only**, being the pretended, self-styled, self-christened, supposed, powerless or token person in charge

hothead

1. over hasty, rash, **headlong**, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless or impatient

She **is such a hot head**. One day she's going to pay the price.

2. (more stylized) unpremeditated, imprudent, thoughtless, incautious, unduly, impetuous, unheeding, indiscreet, unwary, unbridled
3. (informal) madcap, mad brained, short-sighted, unruly, brash, hell-bent, **breakneck**, foolhardy

in over one's head

biting off more than one can chew, have too much to handle

This time he is **in over his head**. I don't know how he's going to get out of this one.

keeping one's head above water

1. only barely having economical well-being, only barely surviving, standing fast, subsisting

Keeping my head above water, has been one of the hardest thing in the world.

2. (informal) barely getting by, **only keeping body and soul together**, holding one's ground, **holding one's footing**
3. only barely having emotional well-being, standing fast, being on the border, on edge, on the fringe, on the margins or on the brink

Keeping one's head above water after a breakdown can be almost impossible.

4. rising above, over coming, resisting

Keeping my head above water is, for now, my only goal.

5. (more stylistic) breasting the current, standing, bearing up, weathering, withstanding

6. (informal) weathering out the storm, holding out, making it, pulling through, riding out the storm, toughing it out, living through, holding up

keeping one's head down

1. avoiding problems by remaining out of sight or out of the limelight, not make oneself obvious, being inconspicuous, too ashamed or embarrassed to **show one's face**, flinching, cowering, crouching

In this type of job, **keeping your head down** is vital.

2. (more stylistic) evading or eluding problems by making oneself as inconspicuous as possible, keeping a low-profile, evading unwanted attention, **being too mortified to show one's face**
3. (informal) keeping quiet, **keeping one mouth shut**, not standing out, being mum or **closed-mouthed**, buttoning up, keeping under one's hat, keeping a low profile, remaining low-key, shrink, cringing, dodging, side stepping, hiding from, making oneself scarce, **not lifting one's head, not raising one's head, keeping one's head down, hiding one's face, hiding one's head**

knuckle-head

1. stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, a dunce, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop being a **knuckle-head** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) meatball, **dunderheaded**, ding-bat, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**,

featherheaded, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

lard head

1. being a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop being such a **lard head** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head**, **birdbrain**

lobbing off one's head

1. **removing one's head**, **taking one's head off**, **taking off one's head**

Lobbing off one's head used to be a popular form of execution.

2. (more stylistic) decapitation, decollation, being put to the guillotine or brought to the block

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loggerhead

1. slow witted, not be the most intelligent or not intelligent, be rather stupid, witless dull, backwards, slow, being an imbecile, laggard, dumb, slow-witted, lumbering, unintelligent, moronic
2. (more stylized) to be Boeotian, cretinous, unimaginative, inapt, stolid, vacuous, obtuse, fatuitous, undiscerning, dense, bovine, witless, superficial, incogitant, insensate, bovine or addle-pated
3. (informal) being a **thickhead, bonehead, pea head, empty head, nincompoop, muddleheaded, birdbrain, knucklehead, pea brain, lunkhead, fathead**, moron or **knucklehead, thickheaded**, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, thick, **mindless**, thick-witted, **bird brained**, muddled, **noodle-headed**, fat witted, **thickskulled**, doltish, **wood headed, pea headed**, loutish, **brainless**, dimwitted, **mindless**, dense or **muddleheaded**
4. (slang) arsy-varsy, ox-like, asinine, ass backwards, dopey, being dumb as dirt, dumb as a door nail, asslike, asinine, donkey, asslike or blockish
5. *(vulgar) being an asshole, ass*
6. (British) dill, dowf, arsy-varsy

lunkhead

1. dull, **brainless**, unthinking, not very intelligent, backwards, empty, vacant, dumb, foolish, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, half-wit

He is such a **lunkhead** that I'm surprised that he realized the truth.

2. (stylistic) unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine, , moronic
3. (informal) being a **loggerhead**, **meathead**, **harebrain**, **mutton head**, **bonehead**, **knuckle-head**, **featherhead**, **thickhead** or **addle head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, beef-witted, **lunkheaded**, **fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, **mindless**, thick-witted, **bird-brained**, muddled, **noodle-headed**, fat witted, doltish, **thickskulled**, **wood headed**, lumpish, not having much upstairs, **mutton headed**, in the ozone, **thick-skulled**, simple, **simple-minded**, **boneheaded**
4. (slang) to be a meatball, ding-a-ling, dingbat, dumbbell or nudnik, be in the ozone, on the moon, on another planet, in a world of one own, schmucky, be a schmuck, donkey, jackass or retarded

meathead

1. stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton or moron

I would have been a **meathead** if I marry him.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid

3. (informal) meatball, **dunderheaded**, ding-bat, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

muddle-head

1. jumbled, muddled, confused, foggy, mixed up, in a fog, unclear, off- balanced, in a daze, afluttered, befuddled, baffled, at a loss

I am a **muddle-head** who does not know what he is doing.

2. (more stylized) in disarray, discomposed, hazy, disarranged, disconcert, bewildered, bemazed, disorientated, out of countenance, confounded, nonplused, unsettled
3. (informal) to be all balled-up, in another zone, lost at sea, off, scrambled, thrown off, fuzzy, knocked for a loop, thrown off balance, turn topsy-turvy, discombobulated, at sixes and sevens, taken aback, spaced out, in outer space, shook up, unhinged, overcome, scattered

muttonhead

1. being an idiot, dunce or moron, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

What a **muttonhead**! He couldn't find his way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
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nominal head

1. **in title only**, **titular** or **nominal head**

He **is only the nominal head** of the company. You can not expect him to take any real kind of decision. He has no real power.

2. (informal) **head in name only**, being the pretended, self-styled, self-christened, supposed, powerless or token person in charge

noodle-head

1. in a void, be vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton or moron

He **is not a noodle-head** who must be led around like a moron.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine

3. (informal) being a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob
5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

off one's head

1. crazy, insane, crazed, unsound, hysterical, delirious
He's **off his head** with fever.
2. emotionally unstable, deranged, **not in one's right mind**, unbalanced, **of unsound mind**, overwrought, irrational, mad incoherent
3. (informal) raving, touched, unhinged, nutty, unglued, wacky, **out of one's skull**, wild, ranting, in hysterics, babbling
4. (slang) bonkers, dippy, off one's rocker, dotty, cracked, nutty as a fruit cake, not have all one's marbles, screwy, zonky, off the deep end, bananas
5. (Latin) non compos mentis

off of the top of one's head

1. without thought, without preparing or rehearsing, unprompted,

unprepared, unrehearsed

He likes stand up comedy, performing from **off of the top of his head**.

2. (more stylized) in a manner which is extemporaneous, extempore, improvised, unpremeditated, impromptu or extemporized
3. (informal) off-the-cuff, on-the-spot, the-spur-of-the-moment, at-a-moment's-notice, ad-lib, **offhand**
4. without much analysis or study, one's immediate or first reaction

Off the top of my head, I'd say that you were right.

on one's head

1. blamed for, held responsible for, being the fault of

The administrator has the prisoner's death **on his head**.

2. (informal) **on one's hand**

one's head off

1. very much, excessively, too much

She can talk **anyone's head off**.

2. (more stylized) exceedingly, inordinately, beyond all bounds, exorbitantly, unduly, unconscionably
3. (informal) a blue streak, beyond measure, to no end, a bit much, **one's ears off**

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overhead

1. far above ground, at a height, above, **overhead**, over, aloft, in the clouds, in a high place, at a high place, on a high place, up in the sky, at the top, skyward, high up, on the top, on high, up in the air, skywards, toward the sky, toward the heaven, atop
2. (more stylistic) in the firmament, in the celestial heights
3. totally submerged, completely immersed, engrossed, deeply involved, completely occupied, totally engaged
4. (more stylized) buried, bathed in, drenched, inundated, absorbed, swallowed up, lost in, engrossed

over one's head

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the sky, at the top, skyward, high up, on the top, on high, up in the air, skywards, toward the sky, toward the heaven or atop.

2. (more stylistic) being too much, overwhelming, arduous, difficult, overextended, formidable or beyond one's capacity or comprehension, overreaching, overleaping, overrating or overestimating one's own ability

This time you are **over your head**. You need to ask for help.

3. (informal) being knocked for a loop, in too deep, swallowed, swallowed up, snowed under, bowled over, **knocked off one's feet** or **over one's head**, having bitten off more than one can chew
4. (in reference to being in debt) owing everyone, being overloaded or loaded down

I'm **over my head** in all the financial obligation that I now have.

5. (more stylistic) being weighed down, over-tasked, encumbered, overburdened, answerable for or straitened, beholding, bounding
6. (informal) being in hock, in dire straits, in the red, owing everyone but the kitchen sink, owing everyone in town, **up to one's ears**

pea head

1. being an idiot, dunce or moron, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

What a **pea head**! He couldn't find his way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-**

headed, addle-brained, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded, blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed, lunkheaded**, boob

4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head, birdbrain**

pig-headed

1. stubborn, ornery, obstinate, inflexible, unyielding, adamant, unable or unwilling to understand

Her tears won't affect him; he **is very pig-headed**.

2. obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, strong-minded, incorrigible, strong-willed, cross-grained, intransigent, wayward, vexatious, tenacious, implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, refractory, perverse
3. **hard-headed, pigheaded**, hard as a rock, **headstrong, bullheaded**, set in one's way, mulish, stubborn as a mule, **pigheaded, bullheaded, hard-headed, wrongheaded, hard-mouthed**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong, stiff-necked, pig-headed, hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded, headstrong, bullheaded, single-minded**
4. (slang) dogged, cussed, bulldogged
5. *(vulgar) hard-assed*

pinhead

1. dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent,

not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot or moron

I have never met such a person; **he is a pinhead** if there ever were one.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine
3. (informal) being a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob
5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

pot head

frequent user of marijuana

You **are a pot head!**

putting one's head in the mouth of the lion

1. confronting boldly, opposing directly, confronting, encountering, meeting courageously, challenging, standing up to, provoking, daring, standing in opposition of, standing opposed to, brazening, brazening out, brazening through

Putting one's head in the mouth of th lion is very dangerous.

2. (more stylistic) affronting, oppugning, encountering, crossing, thwarting, **facing in defiance**, threatening, defying
3. (informal) not running away from, skating on thin ice, **putting one's head in the lion's mouth**, **facing**, braving, **facing up to**, courting destruction, tempting Providence, **meeting eyeball to eyeball**, bearding, throwing down the gauntlet, **coming face to face**, bearding the lion in his den, twisting the lion's tail, **flying in the face of**, making bold, calling into question, **being in one's face**, **meeting head on**, taking up the gauntlet, throwing down the glove or gage, **knocking the chip off one's shoulder**, crossing the line in the sand, **facing down**, **bringing face to face**
4. (slang) taking the bull by the horn, belling the cat, dancing on the razor's edge, double-daring

rattle head

1. being a dunce, lightweight, fool, witless, to not be very intelligent, stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt, lout, giddy, silly, volatile, unsteady

Stop being a **rattle head**.

2. (more stylistic) deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile, obtuse
3. (informal) stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, being a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**

4. (slang) being a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goon, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *being or acting like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

removing one's head

1. **taking off one's head, taking one's head off**

Removing one's head used to be a popular form of execution.

2. (more stylistic) decapitation, decollation, being put to the guillotine or brought to the block
3. (informal) **chopping one's head off, chopping off one's head**, put under the executioner's ax, **lobbing one's head off, lobbing off one's head**, put under the ax

roof over one's head

1. to have shelter, apartment, house, accommodations, living quarters, housing, have a place in which to live, be surviving or subsisting

We were so poor that we didn't even **have a roof over our head**.

2. (more stylistic) to hold one's ground, not be poverty-stricken, strapped, destitute, indigent, insolvent, strapped, perdure, penurious or impecunious, be stand fast, subsist, endure
3. (informal) to eke out, be barely getting by, keep afloat, **only keeping body and soul together, hold one's footing**, be able to keep the wolf from the door, make ends meet, have a pad, crash pad, crib or digs, keep one's head above water, go on
4. (slang) hang in there

saphead

1. not very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout
He is a **saphead** who does not know what he is doing.
2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, being a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) being a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *being or acting like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

section head

head of the department or **department head** in any large institution, **faculty head** in an academic institution

Just because you are the **section head** that does not mean that you can control what I do or don't do outside of the work space.

tossing one's head

1. showing disapproval, opposition or resistance, disputing, snubbing, being against, taking exception to, shunning, shrinking away from, shrugging

Tossing your head at me and my family only makes us stronger; it does not humiliate us.

2. (more stylized) evading, recoiling from, forbearing, disdain, ostracizing, spurning, eschewing, eluding, ignoring, refraining from, taking exception to, repudiating
3. (informal) boycotting, backing away from, looking dimly on, shrugging off, frowning upon, not touching with a 10 foot pole, cold shouldering, taking a dim view of, putting on one's list, not looking kindly upon, turning one's back on, **turning one's nose up at**, steering clear of, shying away from, **giving the cold shoulder to**, keeping out of the way of, taking a dim view of, **setting one's face against**
4. (slang) dumping, blacklisting, blackballing, cutting

sleepy head

1. having half asleep or tired eyes, being very tired, half-asleep, exhausted, sleepy or ready for bed

You are such a **sleepy head**; it's time for you to go to bed.

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You **are such a sleepy head**; it's time for you to go to bed.

2. (more stylized) to be slumbry, somnolent, fatigued or slumberous
3. (literary reference) in the land of Nod, in the arms of Morpheus

4. (informal) to have eyes which are yawny, drowsy or drooping, be **heavy-eyed**, nodding, nodding off, half asleep, drowsy, **asleep on one's feet**, dozy or groggy, be slouching, dipping, hanging dangling, **bowing or bending one's head**, **have droopy eyes**
5. (slang) to be doopey, beat, ready to drop, dead, shot, pooped, **dead on one's feet**, dog-tired, pooped-out or done in
6. (British) to be fagged, fagged out
7. to have just gotten up after oversleeping or sleeping too much

You **are a sleepy head**. Wake up!

soft in the head

1. foolish, dense, slow, not too intelligent, stupid

The way that she acts, everyone is going to think that she **is soft in the head**.
2. (more stylized) obtuse, witless, stolid, bovine, insensate
3. (informal) stupid, **bird-brained**, dumb, **simple-minded**, for the birds, muddled, thick or dull-witted, slow-witted, not have much upstairs, **not have the brains one is born with**
3. (slang) not the sharpest knife in the drawer, thick, retarded, lumpish, **boneheaded**, **thick skulled**, **thickheaded**

spearhead

1. before, in the forefront, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the foreground, foremost, cutting edge, in the lead

He is the **spearhead** of everything. He always wants to lead.

2. in the van, in the vanguard, avant-garde or predecessor

splitting headache

1. having a pain or ache in one's head, **having one's head ache**, **having a terrible headache**, having a migraine, **having a headache**, **having a bad headache**
I **have such a splitting headache** that I can't raise my head.
2. (informal) to **having a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **having one's head exploding**

swelled head

1. conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, vain, self-centered

He **has such a swelled head** that he can't imagine that no one likes him.
2. (more stylish) haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, lordly, pompous, pretentious, egotistical
3. (informal) **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, **big-headed**, smug, full of oneself, be riding for a fall cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin or hoity-toity, **swelled-headed**, too big for one's britches
4. (slang) to be too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty, sniffy, smart-alecky
5. *(vulgar) smart-assed*

taking off one's head

1. **removing one's head**, **taking one's head off**

2. **Taking off one's head** used to be a popular form of execution.
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3. (informal) **chopping one's head off, chopping off one's head**, put under the executioner's ax, **lobbing one's head off, lobbing off one's head**, put under the ax

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thickhead

1. being a dunce, dope, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot, moron or lightweight, dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent,

He is such a **thickhead** that I'm amazed that he has survived until now

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine
3. (informal) being a cretin, meatball, **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead, harebrain, mutton**

head, bonehead, **knuckle-head**, **featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, **pinheaded**, beef-witted, **lunkheaded**, **fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy, **harebrained**, **featherbrained**, **featherheaded**

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob, klutz, half-wit

throbbing headache

1. having a pain or ache in one's head, **having one's head ache**, **having a terrible headache**, having a migraine, **having a headache**, **having a bad headache**

I **have such a throbbing headache** that I feel that my head is going to explode.

2. (informal) to **having a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **having one's head exploding**

titular head

1. **in title only**, **titular** or **nominal head**

He **is only the titular head** of the company. You can not expect him to take any real kind of decision. He has no real power.

2. (informal) **head in name only**, being the pretended, self-styled, self-christened, supposed, powerless or token person in charge

turning heads

1. captivating, fascinating, attracting, drawing one's attention, awing

Turning heads is nothing new to her.

2. (highly stylized enthralling, enrapturing, taking one's fancy, spellbinding, becharming, enchanting
3. (informal) dazzling, bedazzling, catching one's attention
4. (slang) turning on, **blowing one's mind** or away, bowling over

turning one's head

1. flattering, lauding, singing one's praises, praising to excess so as to impress

Turning her head, he was able to steal her blind.

2. (informal) puffing up, sweet talking, laying, piling or spreading it on thick, buttering up
3. causing someone to become conceited, self-centered or vain

The newspaper article succeeded in **turning her head**.

4. (informal) giving someone a big or swelled head, causing someone to become inflated or full of oneself
5. causing someone to act foolish, mixed up or confused

Turning her head really changed her personality.

6. (informal) acting silly, dopey, **harebrained**, giddy, **scatterbrained**, dizzy or woozy, muddling one's attention, awing

turning one's head

1. to flatter, laud, sing someone's praises, praise to excess someone so as to impress

He **turned her head** to such a extent that she has fallen in love with him.

2. (informal) to puff up, sweet talk, lay, pile or spread it on thick
3. to cause someone to become conceited, self-centered or vain

The newspaper article **turned her head**.

4. (informal)to give someone a big or swelled head, cause someone to become inflated or full of oneself
5. to cause someone to act foolish, mixed up or confused
Love has **turned her head**.
6. (informal) silly, dopey, **harebrained**, giddy, **scatterbrained**, dizzy, woozy, muddled

wise head

1. intelligent, educated, learned, knowing, capable or gifted, deep thinking
2. (more stylistic) sagacious, shrewd, enlightened, knowledgeable, erudite, Solomonic, discerning, sharp-witted, acute, quick-witted, well-read, far-sighted, judicious
3. **long-headed**, well-informed, deep, clear-eyed
4. (slang) in the know, hip

to act over someone's head

1. to ignore, dismiss, or disregard one's immediate supervisor to consult his or her supervisor

Because my manager would not listen to me, I had to **act over the foreman's head** and go to the supervisor.

2. (informal) to turn one's back on, pass over, push aside, overlook, brush aside, slight, freeze out or set aside one's immediate supervisor to consult his or hers supervisor

to bang one's head against a brick wall

1. to try to do something which can not be done or which is impossible, attempt that which is hopeless or beyond hope

Trying to lose weight is like **banging my head against the wall**.

2. (more stylized) to try to attain the unattainable, unfeasible, unrealizable, unachievable, unreachable, insurmountable unobtainable

3. to **bang one's head against a brick wall**

to bang something into one's head

1. to force oneself to commit to memory, learn or memorize something through constant repetition, drill, tutor, teach, learn or instruct oneself through constant repetition

I passed the test by **banging the multiplication tables into my head**.

2. (more stylized) to catechize

3. (informal) to **drum something into one's head**, learn by heart, cram, learn by rote, **beat something into one's head**

to bang something into someone's head

1. to commit to memory, learn or memorize something through constant repetition, drill, tutor, teach, learn or instruct through constant repetition

My parents **banged the anti-drug message into my head.**

2. (more stylized) to catechize
3. to learn by heart, cram, learn by rote, **drum something into someone's head, beat something into one's head**

to barely have a roof over one's head

1. to not have shelter, apartment, house, accommodations, living quarters, housing, be poor, have no money, be out of cash

She is so destitute that she **barely has a roof over my head.**

2. (more stylistic) to be destitute, indigent, poverty-stricken, strapped, penurious, insolvent or impecunious, be as poor as Job's turkey, be unable to keep the wolf from the door
3. (informal) to not have a pad, crash pad, crib, digs, be broke, be dead broke, pinched, hard up, penniless, short, wiped out, be without a nickle to one's name, **down at the heels**, be without a penny to one's name, be down and out
4. (slang) to be as poor as a church mouse,
5. (vulgar) to not have a pot to piss in

to be a blockhead

1. to be a dunce, lightweight, fool, witless, to not be very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout

He **is a blockhead**; there is not other explanation.

2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) to be stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a blubber head

1. to not be very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout

He **is a blubber head** who does not know what he is doing.

2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) to be stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**,

dunderhead, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**

4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a bonehead

1. to be dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted stupid, be a fool, dolt or lout

I admit that I **am a bonehead**. I did not know that he would react the way that he did.
2. to be torpid, uncritical, obtuse, uncomprehending, blind, vacuous, undiscerning, purblind, dense
3. (informal) to be a ninny, **dunderhead**, block head, dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, not be always the brain, be backward, simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with, not having much upstairs, dull-witted thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** or dope, be **blubber headed**, **blockheaded**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish or out in the left field
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs

5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a bonehead from the neck up

1. to be dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted stupid, be a fool, dolt or lout

He is handsome and can play a mean game of basketball but he is **is a bonehead from the neck up**.

2. to be torpid, uncritical, obtuse, uncomprehending, blind, vacuous, undiscerning, purblind, dense
3. (informal) to be a ninny, **dunderhead**, block head, dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, not be always the brain, be backward, simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with, not having much upstairs, dull-witted thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** or dope, be **blubber headed**, **blockheaded**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish or out in the left field
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs

5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a chuckle-head

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent or not the most intelligent, be a dunce, idiot or moron

Stop **being such a chuckle-head** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

to be a coke head

to be frequent user of cocaine

He **is a coke head** who will kill to get a hit.

to be a copper head

(historical term/U.S./ Civil War) was a northern Democrat who opposed the Civil War in the United States and advocated peace and the restoration of the Union in its prewar conditions, including slavery, northern anti-abolitionist

My great-great-great grandfather **was a strong copper head**.

to be a crack head

to be a frequent user of crack

She should not get pregnant; she **is a crack head**.

to be a deadhead

1. to be an annoyance, irritant, bother, burden, nuisance, load, problem, tiresome person, weight, bore or pain

He **is such a deadhead**, especially when he talks too much.

2. (more stylized) to be a bane, nuisance, vexation, vexatious, vexing, worrisome or irritating person, irritant, encumbrance, onus, albatross, impediment, liability, **albatross round one's neck**, **yoke around one's neck**, **yoke round one's neck** or **albatross around one's neck**
3. (informal) to be salt in the wound, be a cross, millstone, thorn, bore, nag, pest, pill, a cross to bear, crashing bore, **a thorn in the side**, **pain the neck** or **rear**, **a thorn in the flesh**, pea in the shoe, dry-as-dust, loser, gadfly, bur, frightful bore, a cross to bear, hard to stand, **up one's nose**, **a millstone around one's neck** or **a millstone round one's neck**
4. (slang) to be a flat tire, drip, downer, **pain in the butt**, retread, **pain in the behind**, **deadhead**, wet blanket, **a pain in the rear**, **headache**, pill, pain in the you know where or thorn
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a dope head

to be a frequent user of drugs

He **is a dope head** from way back when.

to be a dunderhead

1. to be unintelligent, blank, stupid, foolish, a fool, dull-witted, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted stupid, be a fool, dolt or lout

Don't **be a dunderhead**; he's not coming back to you. Never!

2. to be torpid, uncritical, obtuse, uncomprehending, blind, vacuous, undiscerning, purblind, dense
3. (informal) to be a **fathead**, meatball, **addle-brain**, moron, booby, **blubber head**, ninny, **dunderhead**, block head, dope, nincompoop

or **blockhead**, not be always the brain, be backward, simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with, not having much upstairs, dull-witted thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** or dope, be **blubber headed**, **blockheaded**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish or out in the left field

4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs

to be a fathead

1. to be lumpish, blunt, stolid or thick

You **are such a fathead!**

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant or insipid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a feather head

1. to be not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic, absurd, stolid or vacuous

She flutters around like a butterfly. She **is a feather head**.

2. (more stylistic) to be a childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless or vapid
3. (informal) to be dim-witted, for the birds, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, dumb, **scatterbrained**, **crackbrained**, **dunderheaded**, asinine, green, **harebrained**, slow, harebrained, **bird-brained**, half-witted, thick headed, **rattlebrained**, **muddle headed**, **thick skulled**, befuddled, a **blockhead** or out of it
4. (slang to vulgar) be a dam fool, be balmy, dam-foolish

to be a head above the rest

1. to be better, of the first order, exceptional, first-class, choice, superlative, the best or of a higher grade

There is no discussion about this student; without a doubt, he **is a head above the rest**.

2. (more stylized) to be nonpareil, unprecedented, superior, outstanding, superlative, singular, unparallel or peerless, prevail over
3. (informal) to be top-notch, tip-top, top-grade, **head and shoulder above the rest**, top-drawer
4. (slang) to be crackerjack, cat's meow or the cat's pajama, top dog

to be a headache

1. to be a load, burden, bother, annoyance, problem, tiresome person, weight, bore, pain

He **is such a headache**, especially when he talks too much.

2. (more stylistic) to be a bane, nuisance, vexation, vexatious, vexing, worrisome or irritating person, irritant, obnoxious, imposition
3. (informal) to be salt in the wound, be a thorn, bore, nag, pest, pill, crashing bore, **a thorn in the side** or **flesh, pain the neck** or **rear, a thorn in the flesh**, pea in the shoe, dry as dust, loser, gadfly, bur, frightful bore, a cross to bear, hard to stand or **up one's nose, pain in the neck**
4. (slang) to be a flat tire, drip, downer, hassle, pain in the butt, retread, **pain in the behind**, deadhead, wet blanket, drag
5. *(vulgar) to be a pain in the ass, bitch*

to be a headhunter

1. to be a personnel recruiter of professionals and executives

It is difficult **being a headhunter** in the technological field.

2. to be a personnel agency which recruits professional and executives

to be a head taller than

to be significantly taller

He **is at least a head taller than** his brother.

to be a head turner

1. to be nice, pleasant, pleasing, or agreeable to look at, attractive,

handsome, pretty or beautiful

I have no complaints. He **is truly pleasing to the eye**.

2. (highly stylized) to be lovely, artistic, exquisite or in grand-style
3. (informal) to be good-looking, have good looks, **pleasing to eye**, **easy on the eye**, easy to look at or not hard to look at or **eye-filling**
4. (slang) to be **eye-candy**

to be a hothead

1. to be over hasty, rash, **headlong**, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless or impatient

She **is such a hot head**. One day she's going to pay the price.

2. (more stylized) to be unpremeditated, imprudent, thoughtless, incautious, unduly, impetuous, uncircumspect, unheeding, indiscreet, unwary or unbridled
3. (informal) madcap, mad-brained, short-sighted, unruly, brash, hell-bent, **breakneck** or foolhardy

to be a knuckle-head

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, be a dunce or a boob

Stop **being a knuckle-headed**. You know that she can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid

3. (informal) to be a meatball, simpleton, boob, half-wit, dunce or klutz, be **dunderheaded**, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, **fatheaded**, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*
6. (British) dill, dowf, arsy-varsy

to be a lardhead

1. to be a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop **being such a lardhead** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the

sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or **birdbrain**

to be a loggerhead

1. to be slow witted, not be the most intelligent or not intelligent, be rather stupid, witless, dull, backwards, slow, be an imbecile, laggard, dumb, slow-witted, lumbering, unintelligent, moronic
2. (more stylized) to be Boeotian, cretinous, unimaginative, inapt, stolid, vacuous, obtuse, fatuitous, undiscerning, dense, bovine, witless, superficial, incogitant, insensate, bovine, addle-pated
3. (informal) to be a **thickhead**, **bonehead**, **pea head**, **empty head**, nincompoop, **muddle head**, **birdbrain**, **knucklehead**, **pea brain**, **lunkhead**, **fathead**, moron or **knucklehead**, be **thickheaded**, beef-witted, **lunkheaded**, **fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, thick, **mindless**, thick-witted, **bird-brained**, muddled, **noodle-headed**, fat witted, **thickskulled**, doltish, **wood headed**, **pea headed**, loutish, **brainless**, dimwitted, **mindless**, dense, **muddle headed**
4. (slang) to be arsy-varsy, ox-like, asinine, ass backwards, dopey, be dumb as dirt, dumb as a door nail, asslike, asinine, donkey, asslike, blockish
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*
6. (British) dill, dowf, arsy-varsy

to be a lunkhead

1. to be dull, **brainless**, unthinking, not very intelligent, backwards, empty, vacant, dumb, foolish

He **is such a lunkhead** that I'm surprised that he realized the truth.

2. (stylistic) to be unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine

3. (informal) to be a **loggerhead**, **meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, boneheaded, **knuckle-head**, **featherhead**, thickhead or **addle head**, be thick, pinheaded, cloddish, not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded**, **fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, thick, **mindless**, thick-witted, **bird-brained**, muddled, **noodle-headed**, fat witted, doltish, **thickskulled**, **wood headed**, lumpish, not having much upstairs, **mutton headed**, in the ozone, **thick-skulled**, simple, **simple-minded**, **boneheaded**
4. (slang) to be in the ozone, on the moon, on another planet, in a world of one own, schmucky, be a schmuck, donkey, jackass, retarded

to be a meathead

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, be a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton or moron

I would have **been a meathead** if I marry him.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderheaded**, ding-bat, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat, be a meatball, ding-a-ling, dingbat, dumbbell or nudnik

to be a muddle-head

1. to be confused, in disarray, bewildered, confused, hazy, off balance, flustered, foggy, mixed up, in a fog, unclear, off-balanced, in a daze, afluttered, befuddled, baffled, at a loss, jumbled

She **is a muddle-head**. It takes her time to figure everything out.

2. (more stylistic) to be nonplused, incoherent, disarrange, dazed, distraught, confounded, perplexed, disorientated, in disarray, discomposed, hazy, disarranged, disconcert, bewildered, bemazed, disorientated, out of countenance, confounded, nonplused, unsettled
3. (informal) to be all balled-up, in another zone, lost at sea, off, scrambled, thrown off, fuzzy, knocked for a loop, thrown off balance, turn topsy-turvy, discombobulated, at sixes and sevens, taken aback, spaced out, in outer space, shook up, unhinged, overcome or scattered

to be a noodle-head

1. to be in a void, be vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, be a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton or moron

He **is not a noodle-head** who must be led around like a moron.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate or bovine
3. (informal) to be a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, pinheaded, cloddish, not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**,

lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy

4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake or a boob
5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

to be a pea head

1. to be an idiot, dunce or moron, be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent or not the most intelligent

He **is a pea head**! He couldn't find his way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or **birdbrain**, be thick, blunt

to be a pinhead

1. be dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards,

unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, or not the most intelligent, be a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot or moron

I have never met such a person; **he is a pinhead** if there ever were one.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate or bovine
3. (informal) to be a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted or **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob
5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

to be a pot head

frequent user of marijuana

You **are a pot head!**

to be a rattle head

1. to be a dunce, lightweight, fool, witless, to not be very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout, be giddy, silly, volatile or unsteady

Stop **being such a rattle head.**

2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) to be stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a saphead

1. to not be very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout

He **is a saphead** who does not know what he is doing.

2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) to be stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**,

- ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead, not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained, empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
 5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a sleepy head

1. to have half asleep or tired eyes, be very tired, half-asleep, exhausted, sleepy, ready for bed

You **are such a sleepy head**; it's time for you to go to bed.
2. (more stylized) to be slumberry, somnolent, fatigued or slumberous
3. (literary reference) in the land of Nod, in the arms of Morpheus
4. (informal) to have eyes which are yawny, drowsy or drooping, be **heavy-eyed**, nodding, nodding off, half asleep, drowsy, **asleep on one's feet**, dozy or groggy, be slouching, dipping, hanging dangling, **bowing or bending one's head, have droopy eyes**
5. (slang) to be dopey, beat, ready to drop, dead, shot, pooped, **dead on one's feet**, dog-tired, pooped-out or done in
6. (British) to be fagged, fagged out
7. to have just gotten up after oversleeping or sleeping too much

You **are a sleepy head**. Wake up!

to be a spearhead

1. to go before, be in the forefront, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the foreground, foremost, cutting edge, or in the lead

He **is a spearhead** of everything. He always wants to lead.

2. to be in the van, in the vanguard, avant-garde or predecessor

to be a stupid head

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, be a dunce or a boob
Stop **being such a stupid head**. Tell your mother how much you love her.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid

3. (informal) to be a meatball, simpleton, boob, half-wit, dunce or klutz, be **dunderheaded, blockheaded, blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled, featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, **fatheaded**, half-wit, **addle-headed, lunkheaded**

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

to be a thickhead

1. to be a dunce, dope or lightweight

He **is such a thickhead** that I'm amazed that he has survived

until now.

- 2 (informal) to be a chump, klutz, half-wit, **harebrain**, **featherbrain**, **featherhead**, cretin or meatball

to be a wise head

1. to be intelligent, educated, learned, knowing, capable or gifted or deep thinking

You can go to him whenever necessary; he **is a wise head**.

2. (more stylistic) to be sagacious, shrewd, enlightened, knowledgeable, erudite, Solomonic, discerning, sharp-witted, acute, quick-witted, well-read, far-sighted or judicious
3. to be **long-headed**, well-informed, deep or **clear-eyed**
4. in the know, hip

to be able to do something while standing on one's head

1. to not have a problem in doing something, to be easy or simple, not be difficult

I **can do tonight's homework while standing on my head**.

No problem.

2. to be elementary, effortless or facile
3. (informal) to be a piece of cake, be as easy as 1,2, 3, do something without breaking a sweat, a snap, hands down, easy as pie
4. (slang) to be a cinch, like taking candy from a baby, duck soup, child's play or a pushover

to be an acid head

to be a frequent user of drugs, especially LSD and other mind-altering drugs

Back in the 60s, he **was such an acid head**.

to be an addle-head

1. to be stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy

He **is such an addle-headed** that I don't think he will ever get what I want.

2. to be torpid, uncritical, obtuse, uncomprehending, blind, vacuous, undiscerning, purblind or dense
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, being dopey, **blubber head**, lumpish, blockish or **blockhead**
4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull
5. *to be an asshole, an ass*

to be an egghead

1. to be an intellectual or genius

Don't be such an egghead!!

2. (more stylistic) to be bibliophile, pedant or scholar,

3. (informal) walking encyclopedia, high brow, brain, bookworm, Einstein, **long headed**, crack, **longhair**
4. (insulting) know-it-all, be a miss or mister know-it-all, stuff-shirt, mental giant
5. (French) au fait

to be an old head on young shoulders

to be a young person who is more mature and wise than his years would indicate, be well-balanced or balanced

She is **an old head on young shoulders**.

to be at loggerheads

1. to be quarreling, contending, fighting or arguing

You know that they must be in love; they **are always at loggerheads**.

2. (informal) to bricker, **be at each other's throat**, at odds, cross swords, lock horns
3. (Scottish English) argle-bargle, sturt, prig

to be at the head of

1. to **be at the head of**, be the first or before someone else, be toward the front, in front of or before, be in the head, front or lead position

Because her name begins with the first letter of the alphabet, she **is always at the head** of everyone in line

2. (more stylized) to be premier, foremost, in advance or in the vanguard

3. (informal) to be out front or in the lead, be at the head, be at the front of, be on the cutting edge, be the spearhead, be in the vanguard
4. to be in the position or place of leadership, be the leader or lead
He **is the head of** the family.
5. (informal) to **be the head**, boss, biggest fish in the pond
6. (slang) to be number one, the super, biggest frog in the pond, headman, or **head honcho**
7. to be at the top of, at summit of, at the peak or the upper end of
8. (more stylized) to be at the pinnacle, crown, apex, vertex or crest
9. (informal) to be at the tip top or very top

to be head and shoulder above

1. to be better, of the first order, exceptional, first-class, choice, superlative, the best or of a higher grade, look better than
She **is head and shoulder above** her competition.
2. (more stylized) to be nonpareil, unprecedented, superior, outstanding, superlative, singular, unparalleled or peerless, prevail over
3. (informal) to be top-notch, tip-top, **stand head and shoulder above**, top-grade, top-drawer or a cut above, outshine, outrival, outmatch
4. (slang) to be crackerjack, cat's meow or the cat's pajamas, top dog, nobody's dwarf

to be head-in-the-sky

1. to be unreal, idealistic, romantic, unrealistic, impractical, overly optimistic or dreamy

She is a **head-in-the-sky** student who is always daydreaming.

2. (more stylistic) to be madcap, chimerical, quixotic, preposterous, utopian or inutile
3. (informal) to see life through rose colored glasses, be dreamy, live on cloud nine, be builder of castles in the sky, **head-in-the-sky**, spacey or **starry-eyed**, **have one's head in the sky**

to be head long

1. **head first, in a nose dive**

The airplane went **headlong** into the house and, afterwards, exploded.

2. quickly, speedily, promptly, without delay, sudden
3. (informal) pronto, in a wink, before the ink dried, like mad, like a bat out of hell, suddenly, without notice, on the spur, like a bolt from the blue

He went **headlong** into the house.

4. to do something in a over hasty, rash, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless, or impatient manner, act without thinking, act in a manner which is thoughtless, foolish, abrupt, impatient, irresponsible or impulsive

She went **headlong** into love.

5. (more stylized) to act in an unpremeditated, imprudent, thoughtless, incautious, unduly, impetuous, uncircumspect, unheeding, indiscreet, unwary or unbridled manner, act rashly, quixotically or in an ill-advised manner
6. (informal) to act in a madcap, mad-brained, short-sighted, unruly, brash, hell-bent, **breakneck** or foolhardy way, to act in a devil-may-care, death defying, hair-brained, heedless, helter-skelter, brash, **breakneck**, **head-over-heel**, punch drunk, **mad brained** or foolhardy manner, to be out-of-hand

to be head-on

1. to be linear, straight arrow, straight-on, frontal, or without swerving

It **was a head-on** collision; therefore, it is understandable that there were no survivors.

2. (informal) to be **head-to-head**, front part first, at the front, straight-lined
3. (in reference to information) to be direct, dependable, sure, straight, reliable or firm
I know that it sounds incredible but my information is **head-on**. It is not **second** or **third hand**; it is **first hand**.
4. (more stylized) to be unmediated, dependable, personal or immediate
5. (informal) to be **not second hand**, straight as an arrow, **first hand**, one-to-one, one on one, **not third hand**, **straight from the horse's mouth** or **face-to-face**
6. **vis-à-vis, tête-à-tête**

to be head over heels

1. to be expressly, intensely, completely, fully, entirely, positively, truly, totally, really, verily, absolutely or without any reservation or condition

She's **head over heels** in love.

2. (more stylized) to act in a manner which is ebullient, vehement, zealous, animated, exuberant or ardent, unambiguously, categorically, unequivocally
3. (informal) to be out-and-out, outright, flatly, downright, all out, straight out, utterly, backward and forward, through and through, outright or utterly
4. to do something in a over hasty, rash, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless, or impatient manner, act without thinking, act in a manner which is thoughtless, foolish, abrupt, impatient, irresponsible or impulsive, impulsively, wildly, carelessly, heedlessly, blindly or recklessly

She has lost her mind; she's **head over heels** in love.

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1. to be expressly, intensely, completely, fully, entirely, positively, truly, totally, really, verily, absolutely or without any reservation or condition in love, be altogether, unreservedly, fully or completely in love

She's **head over heels** in love.

2. (more stylized) to act in a manner which is ebullient, vehement, zealous, animated, exuberant or ardent, unambiguously, categorically, unconditionally or unequivocally infatuated
3. (informal) to be out-and-out, outright, flatly, downright, all out, straight out, utterly, backward and forward, through and through, outright, utterly, truly, flat-out, downright, out-and-out, purely and simply or totally in love

I have never seen him in love before; he **is head over heels** in love with the girl that he met last week.

4. to do something in a over hasty, rash, frantic, hasty, impulsive, unrestrained, reckless, or impatient manner, act without thinking, act in a manner which is thoughtless, foolish, abrupt, impatient, irresponsible or impulsive, impulsively, wildly, carelessly, heedlessly, blindly or recklessly

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to be headquartered

1. to be where the main or based offices are located

The command center **is headquartered** in Saudi Arabia.

2. to be where one is based, the working office or base, the main office from which one works

At least for now, I **am headquartered** in the president's library.

to be head-splitting

1. to be very loud, too loud, stun with noise, noisy, deafening, loud sounding or ringing, **split the ear**

The noise coming out of that house is **head-splitting**. My God, what could they be doing?

2. (more stylistic) to be resounding, rambunctious, thundering, clamorous, boisterous, obstreperous, rickety, blatant, vociferous, blaring, reverberant, piercing, fortissimo or pealing
3. (informal) to be **ear-rending**, grating, clattery, enough to wake the dead, **ear-piercing**, booming, **headsplitting**, clanging, **ear shattering**, harsh-sounding, clangorous, window-rattling, earthshaking, loud enough to wake the dead, earthshattering or **ear splitting**

to be headstrong

1. to be stubborn, unbending, strong-willed, unruly, inflexible, willful, disobedient or difficult

He is so **headstrong**. I have never met such a stubborn person.

2. (more stylized) to be obstinate, intractable, recalcitrant, unyielding, self-willed, implacable, adamant, inexorable, unrelenting, tenacious, incorrigible, pertinacious, preserving, intransigent, willful, unruly, wayward or contrary
3. (informal) to be cross-grained, **stubborn as a mule**, set in one's way, mulish, die-hard, **stiff-necked**, **hard-nosed**, set or **pigheaded**

4. (slang) to be cussed, dogged, hard core, wrongheaded, **muleheaded, bullheaded**

to be heads up

1. to be thoughtful, careful, regardful, sensitive, sober, diplomatic, cautious, guarded, discreet, civil, moderate, reflective, alert, watchful, observant, attentive or conscious

It important that we all be **heads up**; the boss will be arriving any minute now.

2. to be tactful, wary, delicate, judicious, heedful, on the qui vive, prudent, discerning, **Argus eyed**, scrupulous, precautionary, perspicacious, circumspect or chary
3. to be **mindful**, up and about, on guard, on the look out, fussy, on the ball, picky, on the alert, **on one's toes** or **hairsplitting**, on the stick, on the watch, wide-awake, or **all eyes and ears**

to be in over one's head

to bite off more than one can chew, have too much to handle

This time he **is in over his head**. I don't know how he's going to get out of this one.

to be on one's own head

1. to be responsible for a situation, be one's fault

Let the terrorism that now flourishes **be on your head**.

2. to **have blood on one's hand, not be able to wash one's hands of, not have clean hands**

to be out of one's head

1. to be crazy, mad, crazed, hysterical or insane

I'm afraid he **is no longer in his right mind**; he **is out of his head**.

2. (more stylized) to be emotionally unstable, deranged, **not in one's right mind**, unbalanced, **of unsound mind**
3. (informal) **to be out of one's mind**, no longer all there, touched, unhinged, nutty, unglued, wacky
4. (slang) to be out in left field, schizo, cracked or not all there, loony-tunes, have a few buttons missing, off one's rocker, bonkers, dippy, dotty, cracked, nutty as a fruit cake, not have all one's marbles, screwy
5. (Latin) non compos mentis
6. to be hysterical, raving, uncontrollable, out of control, berserk, ranting, mad, wild

He **was out of his head** with anger.

7. (more stylistic) to be seething, crazed, storming, frantic, frenzied, overwrought, demented, deranged, frenetic
8. to be out of wits, **out of one's mind**, beside oneself, **wild-eyed**, carried away, **foaming at the mouth**, **out of one's head**, rant and rave

to be overhead

1. to be far above ground, at a height, above, **overhead**, over, aloft, in the clouds, in a high place, at a high place, on a high place, up in the sky, at the top, skyward, high up, on the top, on high, up in the air, skywards, toward the sky, toward the heaven or atop
2. (more stylistic) to be in the firmament or in the the celestial heights

3. to be totally submerged, completely immersed, engrossed, deeply involved, completely occupied or totally engaged
4. (more stylistic) to be buried, bathed in, drenched, inundated, absorbed, swallowed up, lost in or engrossed

to be over one's head

1. to be far above ground, at a height, above, **overhead**, over, aloft, in the clouds, in a high place, at a high place, on a high place, up in the sky, at the top, skyward, high up, on the top, on high, up in the air, skywards, toward the sky, toward the heaven or atop.
2. to be too much, overwhelming, arduous, difficult, overextended, formidable, beyond one's capacity or comprehension, overreach, overleap, overrate or overestimate one's own ability

This time you are **over your head**. You need to ask for help.

3. to be knocked for a loop, in too deep, swallowed, swallowed up, snowed under, bowled over, **knocked off one's feet** or **over one's head**, having bitten off more than one can chew
4. (in reference to being in debt) to owe everyone, be overloaded or loaded down

I'm **over my my head** in all the financial obligation that I now have.

5. (more stylistic) to be weighed down, over-tasked, encumbered, overburdened, answerable for or straitened, behold, bound
6. (informal) to be in hock, in dire straits, in the red, owe everyone but the kitchen sink, owe everyone in town, be **up to one's ears**

to be off one's head

1. to be crazy, insane, crazed, unsound, hysterical or delirious

He's **off his head** with fever.

2. to be emotionally unstable, deranged, **not in one's right mind**, unbalanced, **of unsound mind**, overwrought, irrational, mad or incoherent
3. (informal) to be raving, touched, unhinged, nutty, unglued, wacky, **out of one's skull**, wild, ranting, in hysterics or babbling
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to be so sick that one is not able to lift one's head

1. to be very sick or ill

When I had the flu, I **was so sick that I was not able to lift my head.**

2. (more stylistic) to be confined, ailing, infirm, unwell or bedridden
3. (informal) to be not up to snuff, out of commission, under the weather, laid up, **be too sick to lift one's head, be too sick to raise one's head, be so sick that one is unable to raise one's head, be so sick that one is unable to lift one's head, be so sick that one is not able to raise one's head**
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to be soft in the head

1. to be foolish, dense, slow, not too intelligent, stupid or

The way that she acts, everyone is going to think that she **is soft in the head.**

2. (more stylized) to be obtuse, witless, stolid, bovine, insensate,

3. (informal) to be stupid, **bird-brained**, dumb, **simple-minded**, for the birds, muddled, thick or dull-witted, slow-witted, not have much upstairs, **not have the brains one is born with**

3. (slang) to not be the sharpest knife in the drawer, thick, retarded, lumpish, **boneheaded**, **thick skulled**, **thickheaded**

to be the acting head

1. to be the substitute, performing, serving, functional, operative or working director, be the temporary person in charge

Since the president is not available, the vice president **will be the acting head**. Therefore, he has the power to act.

2. (informal) to be a fill-in, **back up** or sub director

3. (negative) to be a **titular** or **figure head**, be posing, feigning or pretending to be in charge

to be the assumed head

1. to be the presumed, presumable, anticipated, expected, plausible or given person in charge

He **is the assumed head** of his father; therefore, in a couple of months he will be taking over the company.

2. (more stylistic) to be the presupposed, hypothetical, presumptive or apparent

3. (informal) to be in the cards, taken for granted, likely, sure, all likelihood, most likely, odds on, with no question, in all probability, all thing considered or everything being equal person in charge

4. (slang) to be the dollar to doughnuts, sure-as-shooting, as like as not, **on the face of it** person in charge

to be the banner head

to be the caption, title, banner, banner line or streamer

His story will be the **banner head** of tomorrow's newspaper.

to be the crowned head

to be the legally recognized king or queen of a country

William the Conqueror had not originally **been the crowned** head of England; King Harold was.

to be the fountainhead

1. to be the origin, source or genesis
2. to be the ground, base or reason
3. to be the condition, first factor, or impulse

to be the headman

1. to be the leader of a group, community or society, president or chief, prime minister

He **is the headman** in the company. You must **toe the line**.

2. (more stylize) to be the authority, task master, one in charge, command, in control or in the lead, director
3. (informal) man in the charge, boss, number one
4. (slang) to be the boss, kingpin, the man, top dog, big cheese, big wheel, high man on the totem pole, **head honcho**, honcho or top

5. (British) governor

to be the honorary head

1. to **be in title only, titular**, or **nominal head**

He **is only the honorary head** of the company. You can not expect him to take any real kind of decision. He has no real power.

2. (informal) **to be the head in name only**, be the pretended, self-styled, self-christened, supposed, powerless or token person in charge

to be the nominal head

1. to **be the titular, in title only** or **honorary head**

He **is only the nominal head** of the company. You can not expect him to take any real kind of decision. He has no real power.

2. (informal) **to be the head in name only**, be the pretended, self-styled, self-christened, supposed, powerless or token person in charge

to be the titular head

1. to **be in title only, honorary**, or **nominal head**

He **is only the titular head** of the company. You can not expect him to take any real kind of decision. He has no real power.

2. (informal) **to be the head in name only**, be the pretended, self-styled, self-christened, supposed, powerless or token person in charge

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to be way over one's head

1. to be overwhelmed
2. to be knocked for a loop, in too deep, swallowed, snowed under, bowled over, knocked off one's feet or over one's head, have bitten off more than one can chew

to beat one's head against a brick wall

1. to try to do something which can not be done or which is impossible, attempt that which is hopeless or beyond hope

I know that it looks like I'm **beating my head against a brick wall** but I'm not. This time I can accomplish my goal.

2. (more stylized) to try to attain the unattainable, unfeasible, unrealizable, unachievable, unreachable, insurmountable unobtainable
3. to get nowhere fast, **beat one's head against a wall**, fight a losing battle

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to behead

1. to decapitate, chop off the head

When I **beheaded** the chicken, it ran around the yard.

2. to guillotine, execute, kill, inflict the death penalty on

The royals **were beheaded** during the French Revolution.

to bow one's head

1. to **lower one's head**, **bow one's head**, **not look at someone in the eyes**, **not meet someone's eyes**, lower one's gaze as a result of shyness, shame, embarrassment as a show of respect or as a recognition of one's inferior status, **not make eye contact**

As soon as she saw him come into the room, she **lowered her eyes** and **head** and **bit her lower lip**.

2. (more stylistic) to humble or lower oneself
3. (informal) to look down, **not meet another's eyes**, **not make** or **break eye contact**, **lower one's head**, **look at one's feet** or at the floor, **not look at someone in the eyes**, **keep one's eyes down**, **not look at someone straight in the eyes**, **bend**, **stoop** or **curve one's shoulders**, **bow one's head**

to bring (something) to a head

1. to increase, accelerate, escalate, exacerbate or intensify until a situation peaks

He purposely **brought the situation to a head**. He was tired of all the game playing.

2. to bring to the supreme moment, to a pinnacle, to a critical point, to supremacy, consummate, crown, culminate, crest, heighten
3. (informal) to bring to a climax, to the crowning point, to the most, to perfection, reach a climax, reach a bloom, **come to a head**, cap
4. (slang) to hop up, soup up, shoot up, or step up until the situation peaks, bring to a bloom
5. (Latin) ne plus ultra

to bury one's head in a hole

1. to put oneself in such a situation so that reality can be ignored or dismissed, hide from the truth

When it comes to his daughter, he is always **burying his head in a hole**.

2. (informal) to refuse to look at, see, or **open one's eye to** what is going on around one, not want to see what is plain to everyone, purposely **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **hide one's head in the sand**, **put one's head in the sand**, **hide one's head in the sand**, purposely keep oneself in the dark, refuse to see the writing on the wall or what is **in front of one's own nose**

to bury one's head in the sand

1. to put oneself in such a situation so that reality can be ignored or dismissed, hide from the truth

You can't **bury your head in the sand** forever.

2. to refuse to look at, see, or **open one's eye to** what is going on around one, not want to see what is plain to everyone, purposely **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **put one's head in the sand**, **hide one's head in a hole**, **hide one's head in a hole**, purposely keep oneself in the dark, refuse to see the writing on the wall or what is **in front of one's own nose**

to butt heads

1. to have an open confrontation or encounter between two groups, compete, fight, be in opposition to, confront, stand in opposition to, charge, clash

We are like oil and water; we are always **butting heads**.

2. (more formal) to set upon, oppose, accost, impugn, affront, encounter, assail, aggress, oppugn, spring upon

3. (informal) to **butt heads**, do battle, **have a face-off** or a showdown, **face in defiance**, **face-to-face**, **head-on**, **stand toe to toe**, **eye-to-eye**, **standing facing**, stand up to, light into, **go at it head to head**
4. (French) tête à tête, vis à vis, à deux

to buzz around one's head

1. to go very or too close to one's **head**

As soon as they stepped off the ship, bullets were **buzzing around their head**

2. to **hiss**, **whiz**, **buzz**, **whistle**, **fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's head**, to **hiss**, **whiz**, **buzz**, **whistle**, **fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's ears**

to come into one's head

1. to suddenly remember or think of someone, just remember, or recall, have one's memory triggered, occur to, realize, dawn on one

The minute that I smelled the perfume, my mother **came into my head**.

2. (more stylistic) to return to thoughts to the past, review, recall, recollect, **recall to mind**, reminisce, retrospect
3. (informal) to **flash upon the inner eye**, **come to mind**, **pop into one's mind**, **enter one's head**, strike, **flash across one's mind**, **pass through one's mind**, **come into one's head**, **bring to mind**, **cross one's mind**

to come to a head

1. to reach the peak, climax, increase, accelerate, escalate, exacerbate or intensify until a situation peaks

I'm going to wait until the situation **comes to a head**.

2. (more stylistic) to reach the supreme moment, to a pinnacle, to a critical point or to supremacy, consummate, crown, culminate, crest, heighten
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5. (Latin) ne plus ultra

to completely go out of one's head

1. to be totally forgotten, forget, fail to think of, fail to remember

The fact that I was to meet you completely went out of my head.
I'm sorry that I kept you waiting.
2. (more stylistic) to be ceased to be remembered, be disremembered, have something escape one, dismiss from one's thoughts
3. (informal) to leave behind, be buried in the past or written off, blow over, sink into oblivion, **slip one's mind**

to demand cash on the barrelhead

1. to accept payment in cash or in cash only

I don't accept anything but **cash on the barrelhead**.
2. (informal) not accept credit cards, put money on the counter, demand cash on the barrel
into the hand
3. (payment) to want payment immediately, without delay or now, demand immediate payment

Cash **on the barrelhead**, I don't have much time to waste.

to dive in headfirst

1. to plunge, dive, jump
2. to plummet
3. (informal) to **fall headlong**, jackknife, dive in, **nosedive**, get down to business, **hurl oneself headfirst**, take the plunge, swoop down, **jump in headfirst**, throw oneself in, jump in without thinking, **jump headlong**, dash in, lunge in, **jump headlong**, **jump headfirst**

(to do something) from off the top of one's head

1. without thought, without preparing or rehearsing, unprompted, unprepared, unrehearsed

He **gave the talk from off the top of his head**.
2. (more stylized) in a manner which is extemporaneous, extempore, improvised, unpremeditated, impromptu or extemporized
3. (informal) off-the-cuff, on-the-spot, on the-spur-of-the-moment, at-a-moment's-notice, ad-lib, **offhand**
4. without much analysis or study, one's immediate or first reaction

Off the top of my head, I'd say that you were right.

to do something standing on one's head

1. to do something easily, effortlessly or with ease

This won't be difficult; I can **do it standing on my head**.

2. (informally) to do something without breaking a sweat, **with one's eyes closed**, **handily**, **with one hand**, **with**

one's hands tied behind one's back

to droop one's head

1. to lower or bend one's head as a result of shame, sorrow or exhaustion

She kept **drooping** her head during the entire ceremony.

2. to bow one's head in humiliation, mortification, depletion, sadness or grief
3. to slump, crouch, slouch, hang down or hang loosely one's head

to drum something into one's head

1. to force oneself to commit to memory, learn or memorize something through constant repetition, drill, tutor, teach, learn or instruct oneself through constant repetition

I have to **drum all this information into my head** before my exam next week.

2. (more stylized) to catechize
3. to **drum something into one's head**, learn by heart, cram, learn by rote, **beat something into one's head**

to drum something into someone's head

1. to commit to memory, learn or memorize something through constant repetition, drill, tutor, teach, learn or instruct through constant repetition

My professor was determined to **drum Latin into our head**.

2. (more stylized) to catechize

3. to learn by heart, cram, learn by rote, **drum something into someone's head, beat something into one's head**

to enter one's head

1. to suddenly remember or think of someone, just remember, or recall, have one's memory triggered, occur to, realize, dawn on one, come into one's consciousness

The minute that I smelled the perfume, my mother **entered into my head**.

2. (more stylistic) to return to thoughts to the past, review, recall, recollect, **recall to mind**, reminisce, retrospect
3. (informal) to **flash upon the inner eye, come to mind, pop into one's mind, enter one's head, strike, flash across one's mind, pass through one's mind, come into one's head, bring to mind, cross one's mind**

to fall headlong

1. to stumble, fall, tumble, trip, slip

When he entered in the room, he tripped and **fell on his face**.

2. (more stylistic) to lose one's equilibrium, pitch forward
3. (informal) to take a spill, take a tumble, flop down, fall down, **lose one's footing, take a header, flop, fall flat on one's face, fall headlong**, go down
4. (slang) to fall on one's keister, do a tail over teakettle, **fall on one's behind**
5. (*vulgar*) *to fall on one's ass*
6. to plunge, dive, jump

Was there any doubt he was going to get his heart broken? He **fell headlong** in love with her.

7. to plummet
8. (informal) to dive in, **nosedive**, get down to business, **hurl oneself headfirst**, take the plunge, swoop down, **jump in headfirst**, throw oneself in, jump in without thinking, **dive in headfirst**, **jump headlong**, dash in, lunge in, **jump headlong**, jump first without looking, **jump headfirst**

to fall head over heels

1. to tumble, fall over, topple over, fall, fall down, stumble, dive

She ran into the room and **fell head over heels**.

2. (more stylized) to capsize, keel over, fall in a heap
3. (informal) to fall headlong, plummet, take a spill, go down, pitch, **take a nose dive**, plop, plump, tip over, go topsy-turvy

4. to faint, pass out

I knew that she was sick when she **fell head over heels**.

5. (more stylized) to fall in a faint, swoon, fall senseless

to fall headlong

1. to fall, fall end over end, pitch forward, fall down, fall over, go head over heels, lose one's footing or equilibrium
2. (informal to slang) to flop down, take a flop, capsize, spread-eagle, sprawl, fall on one's face or one's knees, go head over heels, fall headlong, come a cropper, take a header

to feel as if one's head were exploding

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, have a migraine, have a terrible headache, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I have such a bad headache that I **feel as if my head were exploding**.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **feel one's head is exploding**, **feel as if one's head were exploding**, (have) **one's head killing one**

to feel that one's head is exploding

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, have a migraine, have a terrible headache, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I have such a bad headache that I **feel that my head is exploding**.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **feel one's head is exploding**, **feel as if one's head were exploding**, (have) **one's head killing one**

to fly around one's head

1. to go very or too close to one's **head**

As soon as they stepped off the ship, bullets were **flying around their head**

2. to **hiss**, **whiz**, **buzz**, **whistle**, **hiss** or **whirl very close** or **around one's head**, to **hiss**, **whiz**, **buzz**, **whistle**, **fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's ears**

to get a beachhead

1. (normally used as a military term) to get or secure place to stand on, standing, base, support or grip on the beach

It was very difficult for the soldiers to **get a beachhead**.

2. (more stylized) to get a base, foundation, hold, support, place on which to stand, vantage or position

3. to get or secure a **toehold, bridgehead, beachhead**

to get a big head

1. become conceited, let one's feeling for oneself become exaggerated, be egotistical, vainglory, or vain

He **has got such a big head** now that he was voted president of the country.

2. (informal) to be **swelled headed**, swollen, stuck up on oneself, cocky, hung up on oneself, inflated, puffed up or smug

to get a bridgehead

1. (normally used as a military term) to get or secure place to stand on, standing, base, support or grip on the beach

It was very difficult for the soldiers to **get a bridgehead**.

2. (more stylized) to get a base, foundation, hold, support, place on which to stand, vantage or position

3. to get or secure a **toehold, bridgehead, beachhead**

to get a head start

1. to start or begin before everyone else (usually in a contest, race or competition)

It's not fair that he **got a head start** in the race. Of course he will win.

2. (informal) to jump the gun, start before, begin before

3. to get unfair aid, help, or assistance

People who are born into a rich family automatically **get a head start**; they have so many advantages.

3. (informal) to start on third base, to be born on home plate, **born with a silver spoon in one's mouth**, have the edge on, **be given a leg up**

4. (slang) to steal the march on, get a jump on, get the drop on

to get in over one's head

to bite off more than one can chew, have too much to handle

This time he's **got in over his head**. I don't know how he's going to get out of this one.

to get into one's head

1. to devise, think of or up, design, contrive

Suddenly, almost out of nowhere I **got the idea into my head**.

2. (informal) to concoct, think of, think up, dream up, spin, come up with, dream up, hatch

3. to learn, to finally understand, know

I finally **got it into my head**. You don't love me.

4. (more stylistic) to fathom, intuit, apprehend, comprehend, discern
5. to catch it, have the light bulb come on or go off, get it, get the hang of, get a fix on, figure out, see the light, finally get the picture, catch on, grasp

to get it through one's head

1. to realize, absorb, take in, get the idea, finally understand, grasp

It has been hard to **get it through my head** that he has left me.

2. (more stylistic) to gain an impression of, comprehend, assimilate, conceive, apprehend, discern, seize, gain insight into, become cognizant of, cognize, fathom
3. (informal) to catch it, have the light bulb come on or go off, get it, get a fix on, figure out, see the light, finally get the picture

to get one's head together

1. to start behaving in a rational and acceptable manner

I must **get my head together** before I do something really detrimental.

2. (informal) to clean up one's act

to get something out of one's head

to purposely make oneself forget or stop thinking about something

I can't **get him out of my head**.

to give head (vulgar)

to provide oral sex, service a male

to give someone one's head

1. to allow someone to do as one chooses, give someone the leeway or space, freedom, latitude to do as one chooses
2. (informal) to give someone carte blanche

to go at it head to head

1. to have an open confrontation or encounter between two groups, compete, fight, be in opposition to, confront, stand in opposition to, charge, clash

We are like oil and water; we are always **going at it head to head**.

2. (more formal) to set upon, oppose, accost, impugn, affront, encounter, assail, aggress, oppugn, spring upon
3. (informal) to **butt heads**, do battle, **have a face-off** or a showdown, **face in defiance**, **face-to-face**, **head-on**, **stand toe to toe**, **eye-to-eye**, **standing facing**, stand up to, light into
4. (French) *tête à tête*, *vis à vis*, *à deux*

to go head over heels

1. to tumble, fall over, topple over, fall, fall down, stumble, dive
She ran into the room and **went head over heels**.
2. (more stylized) to capsize, keel over, fall in a heap
3. (informal) to fall headlong, plummet, take a spill, go down, pitch, **take a nose dive**, plop, plump, tip over, go topsy-turvy
4. to faint, pass out

I knew that she was sick when she **went head over heels**.

5. (more stylized) to fall in a faint, swoon, fall senseless
6. (informal) to go out like a light, black out, faint dead away

to go out of one's head

1. to be forgotten, forget, fail to think of, fail to remember

The fact that I was to meet you went out of my head. I'm sorry that I kept you waiting.

2. (more stylistic) to be ceased to be remembered, be disremembered, have something escape one, dismiss from one's thoughts
3. (informal) to leave behind, be buried in the past or written off, blow over, sink into oblivion, **slip one's mind**

to go over one's head

1. to outsmart, ignore or bypass one's immediate supervisor to consult with his or her supervisor, outwit, overlook, pass over, avoid

Because my manager would not listen to me, I had to **go over his head** and talk directly to the department **head**.

2. (more stylized) to evade, elude, bypass, outflank, circumvent, disregard, outmaneuver, pay no heed to, outdo
3. (informal) to outgeneral, pretend not to see, do an end run, look right through, get around, short-circuit, go over, outfox, or brush aside one's immediate supervisor to talk to his boss
4. (slang) to give one the go-by

to go to one's head

1. to begin to feel more important than one really is, become conceited, self-important or admiring

He let becoming captain of the team **go to his head**.

2. to believe one's own press, take oneself a bit too serious, to become **big headed** or **swell headed**

3. to become intoxicated or inebriated

After only two drinks, the champagne **went to her head**.

4. (informal) to become drunk or happy

5. (slang) lit up, tight, feeling no pain, pickled

to hang one's head

1. to be or feel ashamed, dishonored, embarrassed, belittled, disgraced, shamed or lowered

He **hung his head** in shame when he realized what he had done.

2. (more stylized) to be or feel mortified, depreciated, humiliated, or devalued

3. (informal) to be or made to feel **shamefaced**, be brought down, become **red in the face**, be made to change colors, blush, **red-faced**, be put to blush

to hang over one's head

1. to overhang, threaten, loom, hover,

2. to be impending, imminent, lurking, drawing nigh, immediate, forthcoming or brooding
3. to hang over, be lying in wait, **be at hand**, coming, about to happen, in store, approaching, **near at hand**, drawing near or **close at hand**, **be staring one in the face of**, be likely to occur at any moment or in the air or wind

to have a bad headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, have a migraine, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I **have such a bad headache** that I can't go to the movies with you.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **have one's head exploding**

to have a big-head

1. to be conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, vain or self-centered

He **has such a big head** that I doubt he even knows that you exist.

2. (more stylish) to be haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, lordly, pompous or pretentious
3. (informal) to be **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, **swell-headed**, smug, cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin or hoity-toity
4. (slang) to be too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty or sniffy

to have a clear head

1. to think and act rationally, **function with a clear mind**, be sane, clear thinking, thinking, composed, unperturbed, collected, serene, self-controlled, unruffled, unflappable or even-tempered
2. (more stylistic) to be lucid, cognitive, rational, comprehending, circumspect, judicious, prudent or discreet
3. (informal) to be long-headed, clear-sighted, long sighted, far sighted, **level-headed**, far-seeing, **cool-headed**, cool, not be discombobulated or flustered
4. to be aware, alert, sharp, observant, watchful, wary, uneasy, quick-witted or sharp

In the game of politics, one must always be **clear headed**.

5. (more stylistic) to be thoughtful, vigilant, apprehensive, halting, cautious, chary, regardful, perceptive, smart, keen or conscious
6. (informal) to be **all ears**, on the alert, **on one's toes**, **mindful**, on the lookout, open-eyed, wide awake, on the job, or on the ball
7. (slang) to be nobody's fool, not have been yesterday

to have a cool head

1. to think and act rationally, **function with a clear mind**, be sane, clear thinking, thinking, composed, unperturbed, collected, serene, self-controlled, unruffled, unflappable or even-tempered

He has a **cool head**; therefore, I believe that can withstand the pressure.

2. (more stylistic) to be lucid, cognitive, rational, comprehending, circumspect, judicious, prudent or discreet

3. (informal) to be long-headed, clear-sighted, long sighted, far sighted, **level-headed**, far-seeing, **cool-headed**, cool, not be discombobulated or flustered

to have a fathead

1. to be lumpish, blunt, stolid, thick, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

He **has such a fathead** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

to have a good head for

1. to have a talent, gift, aptitud or **mind for**

She **has a good head for** languages. I envy her.

2. (informal) to have a bent or knack for

3. (French) savior-faire

to have a good head for figures

1. to have an aptitud or facility for mathematics

He's getting his doctorate in physics; he **has always had a good head for figures.**

2. (informal) to be good at numbers, be quick with numbers, be a crackerjack or whiz-bang at numbers

to have a good head on one's shoulder

1. to be much more intelligent, settled, responsible, reliable, wise, prudent, judicious and well-balanced than is normally expected from someone young or so young

I trust him totally; he **has a very good head on his shoulder.**

2. (more stylistic) to be sagacious, shrewd, enlightened, knowledgeable, erudite, Solomonic, discerning, sharp-witted, acute, quick-witted, well-read, far-sighted or judicious

3. to be **long-headed**, well-informed, deep or **clear-eyed**

4. in the know, hip

to have a hangover headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, **have a headache** or **have a bad headache** as a result of drinking too much the day prior.

I drank like a fish last night so now I **have a hangover headache** that is killing me.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache** or **have one's head exploding** as a result of having a hangover

to have a headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, have a migraine, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**
I **have a headache** so I can't go to the movies with you.
2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **have one's head exploding**

to have a head cold

to have a bad cold which is concentrated in the head, especially in the sinuses

to have a head for heights

to feel comfortable being high up in the air

There are not many people who **have a head for heights**.

to have a head full of hair

to have lots of hair

It's amazing that a man of his age still **has a head full of hair**.

to have a head-on collision

1. to hit someone's car straight on

It was miracle that he was not hurt; he **had a head-on collision**.

2. to argue or fight with someone whose opinion is the complete opposite of one's own, have a violent disagreement or argument

My husband and I **had a head on collision** last night over our daughter.

3. (informal) to butt head, lock horns, have words with, bandy words

to have a head start

1. to start or begin before everyone else (usually in a contest, race or competition)

It's not fair that he **had a head start** in the race. Of course he will win.

2. to get unfair aid, help, or assistance, given an unfair advantage
People who are born into a rich family automatically **have a head start**; they have so many advantages.
3. (informal) to start on third base, to born on home plate, born with a silver spoon in one's mouth, be given a leg up

to have a horrible headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, have a migraine, **have a headache**, **have a horrible headache**, **have a bad headache**

I **have a horrible headache** so I can't go to the movies with you.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **have one's head exploding**

to have a muddle-head

1. to be confused, in disarray, bewildered, confused, hazy, off balance, flustered, foggy, mixed up, in a fog, unclear, off-balanced, in a daze, afluttered, befuddled, baffled, at a loss, jumbled

She **has a muddle-head**. It takes her time to figure everything out.

2. (more stylistic) to be nonplused, incoherent, disarrange, dazed, distraught, confounded, perplexed, disorientated, in disarray, discomposd, hazy, disarranged, disconcert, bewildered, bemazed, disorientated, out of countenance, confounded, nonplused, unsettled
3. (informal) to be all balled-up, in another zone, lost at sea, off, scrambled, thrown off, fuzzy, knocked for a loop, thrown off balance, turn topsy-turvy, discombobulated, at sixes and sevens, taken aback, spaced out, in outer space, shook up, unhinged, overcome or scattered

to have a price on one's head

1. to have a reward offered for one's capture or arrest, be taken into captivity to get an award

Bin Laden **has a price on his head.**

2. to be seized or apprehended in return for money
3. (informal) to offer money so that one is caught or or collared, be wanted dead or alive
4. (slang) to have a reward offered so that one is nabbed, nailed

to have a roof over one's head

1. to have shelter, apartment, house, accomodations, living quarters or housing, have a place in which to live, be surviving or subsisting

We were so poor that we didn't even **have a roof over our head.**

2. (more stylistic) to hold one's ground, not be poverty-stricken, perdure, strapped, destitute, indigent, insolvent, strapped, penurious or impecunious, be stand fast, subsist, endure

3. (informal) to eke out, be barely getting by, keep afloat, **only keeping body and soul together**, **hold one's footing**, be able to keep the wolf from the door, make ends meet, have a pad, crash pad, crib or digs, keep one's head above water, go on
4. (slang) hang in there

to have a splitting headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, have a migraine, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I **have such a splitting headache** that I can't go to the movies with you.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **have one's head exploding**

to have a swelled head

1. to be conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, vain or self-centered

He **has such a swelled head** that he can't imagine that no one likes him.

2. (more stylish) to be haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, lordly, pompous or pretentious
3. (informal) to be **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, **big-headed**, smug, full of oneself, be riding for a fall cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin or hoity-toity
4. (slang) to be too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty or sniffy

to have a terrible headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, have a migraine, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I **have such a terrible headache** that I can't go to the movies with you.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **have one's head exploding**

to be thickheaded

1. to be stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking or dense

He **has such a thickhead** that I don't think he will ever get what I want.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding or obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted or witless, be a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **muttonhead**, **dunderhead**, dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs

to have a throbbing headache

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, **have a terrible headache**, have a migraine, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I **have such a throbbing headache** that I can't go to the movies with you.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, **have one's head exploding**

to have a wise head

1. to be intelligent, educated, learned, knowing, capable or gifted or deep thinking

You can go to him whenever necessary; he **has a wise head** on his shoulders.

2. (more stylistic) to be sagacious, shrewd, enlightened, knowledgeable, erudite, Solomonic, discerning, sharp-witted, acute, quick-witted, well-read, far-sighted or judicious
3. to be **long-headed**, well-informed, deep or **clear-eyed**
4. in the know, hip

to have a wise head on one's shoulder

1. to be much more intelligent, settled, responsible, reliable, wise, prudent, judicious and well-balanced than is normally expected from someone young or so young

I trust him totally; he **has a very wise head on his shoulder**.

2. (more stylistic) to be sagacious, shrewd, enlightened, knowledgeable, erudite, Solomonic, discerning, sharp-witted, acute, quick-witted, well-read, far-sighted or judicious

3. to be **long-headed**, well-informed, deep or **clear-eyed**
4. (slang) in the know, hip

to have eyes in the back of one's head

1. to be aware or knowledgeable of everything, even those things outside of one's view, to know or be cognizant of everything that is happening in one's world
My mother **has eyes in the back of her head**. I can't do anything without her knowing.
2. to be all knowing, on the ball, in the know or wise to

to have one's head in the clouds

(informal) to be on cloud nine, not to have one's feet on the ground, live in fantasy land or on a different planet, see the world with or through rose-colored glasses

You're wasting your time; he can't hear you. He **has his head in the clouds**.

(to have) one's head aching

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, have a migraine, have a terrible headache, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**
My head is aching so badly that I can barely see.
2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, feel **one's head is exploding**

to have one's head drooping

1. to lower or bend one's head as a result of shame, sorrow or exhaustion

I was so tired that **my head kept drooping**.

2. to bow one's head in humiliation, mortification, depletion, sadness or grief
3. to slump, crouch, slouch, hang down or hang loosely one's head

(to have) one's head killing one

1. to **have a pain** or **an ache in one's head**, **have one's head aching**, have a migraine, have a terrible headache, **have a headache**, **have a bad headache**

I have such a horrible hangover that **my head is killing me**.

2. (informal) to **have a throbbing** or **splitting headache**, feel **one's head is exploding**

to have one's head screwed on right

1. to be a person who is mature, sound, wise, sane, well-balanced, well-adjusted, cogent or balanced, be intelligent, mature for one's age, sensible, sound or prudent, be extraordinary mature and responsible

For someone so young, he sure **has his head screwed on right**.

2. (more stylistic) to be discerning, agile, insightful, quick-witted, subtle, sharp-witted, percipient, judicious, astute, perceptive, far-sighted, discreet, circumspect or heedful
3. (informal) to be wide awake, **long-headed**, on the ball, **open-eyed**, commonsensical, sharp as a tack, **clear-eyed**, **clear-headed** or sharp-sighted, not be easily fooled, have unclouded vision, **have an old head on young shoulders**, **to have quite a head on one's shoulders**, be well-adjusted, be all there, be on the ball, **be**

healthy minded, level headed, have clear vision, **have a good head on one's shoulders**

4. (Latin) compos mentis

(to have something) hanging over one's head

to have an ordeal or tribulation waiting for one, be dreading or be disquieted about something

This thirty year **jail sentence is hanging over my head.**

to head for

1. to direct, aim, aim for

The best revenge is success; he is **heading for** the stars. He is getting his revenge in spades.

2. (stylistic) to labor for, strive for, affect, aspire to, struggle to
3. (informal) to drive at, show the way, shoot at, steer toward, steer for, point out of the way, lead toward, set one's sight on, give directions to, **having an eye to, head to**, shoot toward, shoot for, **head toward**
4. (slang) to buck for

to head off

1. to intercept, cut off, stop on the way, seize en route

He **headed off** the conversation by talking about something else.

2. (informal) to cut off

to headhunt

to recruit, acquire, or procure professionals and executives who are seeking employment

It is not easy to **headhunt** executives who are used to extravagant salaries.

to headline

1. to lead, head, or feature, be the star of, caption

Tom Jones **has headlined** in Las Vegas for many years.

2. (more stylized) to bring to the fore, highlight, emphasize, bring into relief, intensify, give prominence to
3. (informal) to make much of, play up, beef up
4. (slang) to soup up, jazz up

to head the list of

to be on the top of, be in the most important or noticeable place

The movie **heads the list of** the worst movies ever made.

to head to

1. to direct, aim, aim for

He is **heading to** be a very successful businessman. If you can not help, get out of the way.

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to head up

1. to lead, manage, direct, command, guide, take the helm, pilot

I was assigned to **head up** the committee.

2. to dominate, have the ascendancy, preside over, hold the reins
3. to run, skipper, quarter back, **have the whip hand**, **head up**, call the shots, head, be in the driver's seat, call the signals, drive, crack the whip, **have the upper hand**, lay down the law

to hide one's head

1. to be ashamed, humbled, mortified or embarrassed

After what had happened, all she could do was to **hide her head**.

2. to be red faced, have been brought down a peg or two, **not lift one's head**

to hide one's head in a hole

1. to put oneself in such a situation so that reality can be ignored or dismissed, hide from the truth

When it comes to his daughter, he is always **hiding his head in a hole**.

2. (informal) to refuse to look at, see, or **open one's eye to** what is going on around one, not want to see what is plain to everyone, purposely **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **hide one's head in the sand**, **put one's head in the sand**, **hide one's head in the sand**, purposely keep oneself in the dark, refuse to see the writing on the wall or what is **in front of one's own nose**

to hide one's head in the sand

1. to put oneself in such a situation so that reality can be ignored or dismissed, hide from the truth

You can't **hide your head in the sand** forever.

2. to refuse to look at, see, or **open one's eye to** what is going on around one, not want to see what is plain to everyone, purposely **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **put one's head in the sand**, **hide one's head in a hole**, **hide one's head in a hole**, purposely keep oneself in the dark, refuse to see the writing on the wall or what is **in front of one's own nose**

to hiss around one's head

1. to go very or too close to one's **head**

As soon as they stepped off the ship, bullets were **hissing around their head**

2. to **whiz**, **buzz**, **whistle**, **fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's head**, to **hiss**, **whiz**, **buzz**, **whistle**, **fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's ears**

to hit one upside the head

1. to berate, reprimand, chastise, discipline, rebuke, castigate, reproach, rebuke, admonish, scold, chide

It is so late that I know that when I get home my father is going to **hit me upside the head**.

2. (more stylized) to execrate, objurgate, reprove, excoriate, imprecate, lambaste
3. (informal) to jump all over one, let someone have it, blast, whallop, keelhaul, tear to pieces, strap, chew someone out, **skin alive**, rake over the coals, give someone hell, give someone the business
4. (slang) to cane, **hit upside the head**, whack, lay someone out in lavender, belt, whale, tan, **wring one neck**

5. to punch, knock, hit, smack, strike

She **hit her son upside his head**.

6. (more stylized) to flog, thrash, buffet, whack, cuff, lambaste
7. (informal) to belt, thump, crown, clout, slug, whale, bash

to hit the nail on the head

1. to get it right, correct, accurate, true or exact, be right, correct, accurate, true, or exact

What you said **hit the nail on the head**.

2. (more stylistic) to be precise or unerring

3. (informal) hit it on the dot, on the spot on, on the button or on the money, **hit the bull eye**, be right on target, on the mark, **right on the nose** or on the money, unfailing, to get it right,
4. (slang) to get it, be right on, be a deadly shot, hit it

to hit the headlines

to be written about in the newspaper, become famous, infamous or notorious

What he did **hit the headlines** the next morning.

to hold one's head up

1. to stand up straight, erect, not curved or upright, be unbent or unbowed

If you expect to be a successful model, you must **hold your head up**.

2. (informal) to stand straight as an arrow, **put one's shoulders back**
3. to stand straight and proud, display or demonstrate one's dignity or strength, not show one's shame or embarrassment

When you come out of that room, no matter what happens, **hold your head up**.

4. (more stylistic) to demonstrate that one is unbowed, unbent, unrepentant, resolute, steadfast or firm, not to show trepidation or apprehensive
5. to show that one **has a mind of one's own** or that one is strong-willed, **hard-headed**, tough, **hard-nosed** or **strong minded**, **be stiff-backed**, show no fear, **keep** or **maintain one's head up**, hold, **keep** or **maintain one's head held up high**, **put one's shoulders back and hold one's head up high**

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to hold over one's head

1. to use information against someone or threaten with exposure, intimidate

He **held over my head** the fact that I was an ex-convict.

2. to blackmail, put the screws to or the squeeze on someone

to hurl oneself headfirst

1. to plunge, dive, jump

He **hurled himself headfirst** into the campaign.

2. to plummet
3. (informal) to dive in, **nosedive**, get down to business, take the plunge, swoop down, **jump in headfirst**, throw oneself in, jump in without thinking, **dive in headfirst**, **jump headlong**, dash in, lunge in, **jump headlong**, jump first without looking, **jump headfirst**, **fall headlong**

to hurl oneself headlong

1. to plunge, dive, jump

He **hurled himself headlong** into the campaign.

2. to plummet
3. (informal) to dive in, **nosedive**, get down to business, take the plunge, swoop down, **jump in headfirst**, throw oneself in, jump in without thinking, **dive in headfirst**, **jump headlong**, dash in, lunge in, **jump headlong**, jump first without looking, **jump headfirst**, **fall headlong**

to incline one's head

1. to **incline one's head** as a means of acknowledging another's greeting or statement

Even though he was talking on the phone, he **inclined his head** each time she finished a statement.

2. to incline one's head, to say hello, good morning, or good evening

I don't like how **he only inclines his head** in the mornings, can't he **open his mouth** and say the words, good morning.

3. (more stylized) to salute hail, give salutation, greet, address
4. (informal) to say how do you, do tip one's hat, doff one's hat
to nod one's head to assent, agreement, affirmation, leave, approval, license, agreement, endorsement, compliance, permission, formal approval, acceptance
 He **inclined his head** to let everyone know his opinion.
5. (more stylized) to motion or nod) approbation, accordance, concession, authorization, sanction, consent, permit, accord, compliance, official sanction, concurrence, acquiescence, validation
6. (informal) to nod to signify that one gives the word, backing, nod, the green light, the O.K., the nod of approval, carte blanche

to jump in headfirst

1. to plunge, dive, jump
 Without thinking, he **jumped in headfirst**.
2. to plummet
3. (informal) to dive in, **nosedive**, get down to business, take the plunge, swoop down, **jump in headfirst**, throw oneself in, jump in without thinking, **dive in headfirst**, **jump headlong**, dash in, lunge in, **jump headlong**, jump first without looking, **jump headfirst**, **fall headlong**

to keep a cool head

1. to remain calm, compose, self-controlled or collect
 There is no need to get angry. Try to **keep a cool head**.
2. (informal) to maintain oneself together, unruffled, keep oneself cool, calm and collect, **keep a level** or **keep**

one's head

to keep a level head

1. to remain cool, not get excited, maintain one's self-control
In a high pressured situation, one must **keep a level head**.
2. to remain unruffled or unflappable, **keep a cool head** or **keep one's head cool**

to keep one's head

1. to remain calm, to not get excited or carried away

It's important that you **keep your head**.
2. (informal) to keep one's wits about oneself, roll with the punches, **keep a level** or **cool head**

You must **keep your head** even when no one else does.

to keep one's head above water

1. to only barely have economical well-being, be only surviving, stand fast, subsist,

I've been having a hard time but up until now I have been able to **keep my head above water**.
2. (informal) to be barely getting by, **only keeping body and soul together**, hold one's ground, **hold one's footing**
3. to only barely have emotional well-being, stand fast, be on the border, on edge, on the fringe, on the margins or on the brink

Every since her breakdown the only good thing that I can say is that she's been able **to keep one's head above water**.

4. to rise above, overcome, resist

I don't know how I survived but somehow I was able to **keep my head above water**.

5. (more stylistic) to breast the current, stand, bear up, weather, withstand
6. (informal) to weather the storm, hold out, make it, pull through, ride out the storm, tough it out, live through, hold up

to keep one's head down

1. to avoid problems by remaining out of sight or out of the limelight, not make oneself obvious, be inconspicuous, be too ashamed or embarrassed to **show one's face**, flinch, cower or crouch

If you don't want any problems, I would **keep my head down** and **my mouth shut**.

2. (more stylistic) to evade or elude problems by making oneself as inconspicuous as possible, keep a low-profile, evade unwanted attention, **be too mortified to show one's face**
3. (informal) to keep quiet, **keep one mouth shut**, don't stand out, be mum or **closed-mouthed**, button up, keep under one's hat, keep a low profile, remain low-key, shrink, cringe, dodge, side step, hide from, make oneself scarce, **not lift one's head, not raise one's head, keep one's head down, hide one's face, hide one's head**
4. (slang) mum's the word

to keep one's head in the sand

1. to ignore reality, refuse to accept

You can't **keep your head in the sand** forever.

2. to refuse to see what is plain to everyone, **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **hide one's head in the sand**

to keep one's head in a hole

1. to ignore reality, refuse to accept

When it comes to his daughter, he **keeps his head in a hole**.

2. to refuse to see what is plain to everyone, **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, see or hear no evil, be like an ostrich **close one's eyes to**, **hide one's head in a hole**

to keep one's head up

1. to continue standing straight and proud, displaying or demonstrating one's dignity or strength, keep faith, continue believing in oneself despite the criticism and the odds

When you come out of that room, no matter what happens, **keep your head up**.

2. (more stylistic) to demonstrate that one is unbowed, unbent, unrepentant, resolute, steadfast or firm, not to show trepidation or apprehensive
3. to show that one **has a mind of one's own** or that one is strong-willed, **hard-headed**, tough, **hard-nosed** or **strong minded**, **be stiff-backed**, show no fear, **hold** or **maintain one's head up**, hold, **keep** or **maintain one's head held up high**, stay strong

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to knock on the head

to destroy or ruin one's plans

His accident **has knocked our vacation on the head**.

to knock ones' heads together

1. to do stop two people from fighting, intervene, frustrate

You two will stop fighting even if I have to **knock your heads together**.

2. (informal) to break into or get into the middle of two persons in order to stop them from fighting

to laugh one's head off

1. to laugh hysterically to the points of tears

I **laughed my head off** at his explanation. It was really funny.

2. (informal) to be doubled up, roll on the floor with laughter, break up, be doubled over, be in stitches

to lay heads together

1. to confer, debate, hold a conference, consult or talk together, deliberate, consult with, exchange view or perspectives, discuss

If need to **lay heads together** to solve this problem.

2. (more stylized) to palaver, converse
3. (informal) to parley, compare notes, go into a huddle, **put heads together**, sit down together, talk with or over, **brainstorm**,
4. (slang) to talk turkey, powwow, huddle

to let something enter one's head

1. to think about, consider, think over, entertain the idea of

I don't know how he **let that idea enter her head**. It's ridiculous.

2. (more stylistic) to give thought to, mull over, cogitate, weigh, ruminate, deliberate, muse on contemplate, ponder, mediate on, cerebration
3. (informal) to chew over, kick over, **put one's mind to**, **turn over in one's mind**, get lost in thought, put on one's thinking cap, **have one's mind on**

to lift one's head

1. to **lift one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes**, **raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, **lift up one's head**

She **lifted her eyes** the minute she heard the noise.

2. (more stylistic) to **direct one's eyes upward**, look skyward, look up, look heavenward, **raise one's eyes skyward**, **lift one's head skyward**, **raise one's eyes heavenward**, direct one's gaze skyward, direct one's gaze heavenward, look star ward, **direct**

one's eyes star ward, direct one's eyes to the wild blue yonder, raise one's head to the stars, raise one's head up

3. to say a pray, pray, offer a pray

She **lifted her head** hoping that everything would be alright.

4. to plead, ask, beg, call on, request

The man **lifted his head**, silently begging the king for mercy.

5. (more stylistic) to supplicate, implore, press, appeal, beseech, invoke, cry for, entreat, besiege, solicit, apply to

6. (informal) to throw oneself on the mercy of the court, **throw oneself at the feet of**

7. to **lift one's eyes** or **head to look at someone**, raise or lift one's gaze or look at someone as a result of no longer being afraid, embarrassed or ashamed

Although she was scared, she **lifted her head** and looked at her boss without flinching.

8. (more stylistic) to summon or gather up enough courage to meet someone's gaze or **meet someone's eyes**

9. (informal) to rouse, **nerve up** or call up one's courage to look at someone or **meet someone's eyes**

to lift one's head skyward

1. to **lift one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes**, **raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, **lift up one's head**

She **lifted up her head skyward** the minute she heard the noise.

2. (more stylistic) to **direct one's eyes upward**, look skyward, look up, look heavenward, **raise one's eyes skyward**, **lift one's head skyward**, **raise one's eyes heavenward**, direct one's gaze skyward, direct one's gaze heavenward, look star ward, **direct one's eyes star ward**, **direct one's eyes to the wild blue yonder**, **raise one's head to the stars**, **raise one's head up**
3. to say a pray, pray, offer a pray

She **lifted her head skyward** hoping that everything would be alright.

to lift one's eyes star ward

1. to **lift one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes**, **raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, **lift up one's head**
She **lifted up her head star ward** the minute she heard the noise.
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3. to say a pray, pray, offer a pray

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to lift one's eyes up

1. to **lift one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes**, **raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, **lift up one's head**
She **lifted her head up** the minute she heard the noise.

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4. to plead, ask, beg, call on, request

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Although she was scared, she **lifted her head up** and looked at her boss without flinching.

8. (more stylistic) to summon or gather up enough courage to meet someone's gaze or **meet someone's eyes**

9. (informal) to rouse, **nerve up** or call up one's courage to look at someone or **meet someone's eyes**

to lift one's eyes upward

1. to **lift one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes**, **raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, **lift up one's head**

She **lifted her head upward** the minute she heard the noise.

2. (more stylistic) to **direct one's eyes upward**, look skyward, look up, look heavenward, **raise one's eyes skyward**, **lift one's head skyward**, **raise one's eyes heavenward**, direct one's gaze skyward, direct one's gaze heavenward, look star ward, **direct one's eyes star ward**, **direct one's eyes to the wild blue yonder**, **raise one's head to the stars**, **raise one's head up**

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to lift up one's head

1. to **lift one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes**, **raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes**, **lift one's head**, **lift up one's head**

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2. (more stylistic) to **direct one's eyes upward**, look skyward, look up, look heavenward, **raise one's eyes skyward**, **lift one's head skyward**, **raise one's eyes heavenward**, direct one's gaze skyward, direct one's gaze heavenward, look star ward, **direct one's eyes star ward**, **direct one's eyes to the wild blue yonder**, **raise one's head to the stars**, **raise one's head up**

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9. (informal) to rouse, **nerve up** or call up one's courage to look at someone or **meet someone's eyes**

to lose one's head

1. to lose control, become excited or discomposed, explode, lose one's grasp, be out of control, lose one's temper, become enraged, lose one's hold, lose one hold over oneself

Don't **lose your head** over such a silly thing.

2. to take leave of one's senses, have a conniption, become flustered, become ruffled, fly into a passion
3. (informal) to fly off the handle, flip, lose one's cool, hit the ceiling, go haywire, become discombobulated or unglued, hit the roof, blow up, no longer **be level-headed**
4. (slang) to blow a gasket, have a cat fit, blow one's stack, freak, blow a fuse, flip one's wig, freak out, blow one's cool

to lower one's head

1. to **bow one's head**, **not look at someone in the eyes**, **not meet someone's eyes**, lower one's gaze as a result of shyness, shame, embarrassment, as a show of respect or as a recognition of one's inferior status, **not make eye contact**

As soon as she saw him come into the room, she **lowered her eyes** and **head** and **bit her lower lip**.

2. (more stylistic) to humble or lower oneself
3. (informal) to look down, **not meet another's eyes**, **not make or break eye contact**, **lower one's head**, **look at one's feet** or at the floor, **not look at someone in the eyes**, **keep one's eyes down**, **not look at someone straight in the eyes**, **bend**, **stoop** or **curve one's shoulders**, **bow one's head**

to make headway

1. to make progress, **forge ahead** move on, move forward or proceed despite all obstacles, succeed

I have been able to **make headway**, even though half the population is in opposition.

2. (more stylistic) to attain success, fare well
3. (informal) to push forward, come up in the world, get on, gain ground, **push ahead**, edge along, make it to first base, get to first base, get along, **inch ahead**, **get ahead**, go up in the world, luck out, rise in the world

to make heads or tail of

1. to understand, see, determine, decode, unravel

It took me years and years but I finally was able to **make heads or tail of** geometry.

2. (more stylistic) to apprehend, discern, cognize, ascertain, ken, construe
3. (informal) to get a fix on, gain insight into, disentangle, make or figure out, decipher, grasp

to make heads roll

1. to exercise one's authority by firing, discharging or dismissing subordinates

Heads are going to roll when I get back!

2. (informal) to get rid of, oust, throw out, sack or bounce
3. (slang) to can, give someone one's walking papers

to make one's head spin

1. to disconcert, confuse, disquiet, discompose, upset, unbalance, disconcert, nonplus, shock, astound, appall, startle, stun

What he said **made my head spin**.

2. (informal) unhinge, discombobulate, ruffle, rattle, fluster, make one's head swim, floor, take aback

to make one's head swim

1. to disturb, discomfit, nonplus, confuse, shock, astound, appall, startle, stun

Just the sight of him **makes my head swim**.

2. (more stylized) to disconcert, disquiet, discompose, daunt
3. shake, discombobulate, befuddle, flutter, faze, rattle, throw off, unhinge, throw out of kilter, to take one's breath away, flabbergast, bewilder, bowl over,
6. (slang) to blow away, **blow one's mind**

to maintain one's head up

1. to continue standing straight and proud, displaying or demonstrating one's dignity or strength, keep faith, continue believing in oneself despite the criticism and the odds

When you come out of that room, no matter what happens, **maintain your head up**.

2. (more stylistic) to demonstrate that one is unbowed, unbent, unrepentant, resolute, steadfast or firm, not to show trepidation or apprehensive
3. to show that one **has a mind of one's own** or that one is strong-willed, **hard-headed**, tough, **hard-nosed** or **strong minded**, **be stiff-backed**, show no fear, **hold** or **maintain one's head up**, hold, **keep** or **maintain one's head held up high**, stay strong

to maintain one's head up high

1. to stand straight and proud, display or demonstrate one's dignity or strength, keep faith, continue believing in oneself despite the criticism and the odds

When you come out of that room, no matter what happens, **maintain your head up high.**

2. (more stylistic) to demonstrate that one is unbowed, unbent, unrepentant, resolute, steadfast or firm, not to show trepidation or apprehensive
3. to show that one **has a mind of one's own** or that one is strong-willed, **hard-headed**, tough, **hard-nosed** or **strong minded**, **be stiff-backed**, show no fear, **hold** or **maintain one's head up**, hold, **keep** or **maintain one's head held up high**, **put one's shoulders back and hold one's head up high**

to meet head-on

1. to collide with, jolt, strike, impact

When I hit the car, we **met head on.**

2. to run into, bump into, smash into, plow into, knock into
3. to confront boldly, oppose directly, confront, encounter, meet courageously, challenge, confront, stand up to, provoke, dare,

stand in opposition of, confront, stand opposed to, brazen, brazen out, brazen through

They **met head on**.

4. (more stylistic) to affront, oppugn, encounter, cross, thwart, **face in defiance**, threaten, defy
5. (informal) to not run away from, skate on thin ice, **put one's head in the lion's mouth**, **face**, brave, **face up to**, court destruction, tempt Providence, **meet eyeball to eyeball**, beard, stand oppose to, throw down the gauntlet, **come face to face**, beard the lion in his den, twist the lion's tail, **fly in the face of**, make bold, call into question, **be in someone's face**, **meet head on**, take up the gauntlet, throw down the glove or gage, **knock the chip off one's shoulder**, cross the line in the sand, **face the card down**, **face down**, **bring face to face**, **come face**, stand up to, **meet face to face**, **show one's teeth**, show fight
6. (slang) to **snap the fingers at**, take the bull by the horn, bell the cat, twist the lion's tail, out brazen, brazen, brazen out, bell the cat, dance on the razor's edge, double-dare

to meet something head on

1. to confront, stand up to, contend, engage, encounter, address oneself to

It will not be easy but I must **meet this problem head on**.

2. (informal) to **face**, **face in defiance**, **meet eyeball to eyeball**, beard the lion in his den, **to meet head to head**, brave, brook, do battle with, bell the cat, beard, buck, pluck by the beard, **face to meet**, to take the bulls by the horns, **face up to**, tackle, come to grips with, cope with, deal with, brazen out, **get down to the heart of the matter**

to meet head to head

1. to defy or challenge danger, to be fearless, unafraid, valid, daring, bold, audacious, dauntless, or undaunted

To prove that he wasn't scared, he went into

where his enemy was to **meet him head to head**.

2. (informal) **to be stout-hearted**, go in harm's way, square off, **meet eyeball to eyeball**, march up to the canon's mouth, stand up to, **to meet something head on**
3. to confront boldly, oppose directly, confront, encounter, meet courageously, challenge, confront, stand up to, provoke, dare, stand in opposition of, confront, stand opposed to, brazen, brazen out, brazen through

They **met head on**.

to meet one head on

1. to confront boldly, oppose directly, confront, encounter, meet courageously, challenge, confront, stand up to, provoke, dare, stand in opposition of, confront, stand opposed to, brazen, brazen out, brazen through

He **met his enemy head on** without fear.

2. (more stylistic) to affront, oppugn, encounter, cross, thwart, **face in defiance**, threaten, defy
3. (informal) to not run away from, skate on thin ice, **put one's head in the lion's mouth**, **face**, brave, **face up to**, court destruction, tempt Providence, **meet eyeball to eyeball**, beard, stand oppose to, throw down the gauntlet, **come face to face**, beard the lion in his den, twist the lion's tail, **fly in the face of**, make bold, call into question, **be in someone's face**, **meet head on**, take up the gauntlet, throw down the glove or gage, **knock the chip off one's shoulder**, cross the line in the sand, **face the card down**, **face down**, **bring face to face**, **come face**, stand up to, **meet face to face**, **show one's teeth**, show fight
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1. to confront, stand up to, contend, engage, encounter, address oneself to, deal with

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to need one's head examine

1. to do something so crazy that one questions one's own sanity and one's own sense of balance, act so irrationally that one has lost all sense of proportion

You gave him money?!!! You **need your head examined**.

2. to not have one's head screwed on right, not **be clear-headed** or **level-headed**

to need something like a hole in the head

to not need something in the least, to not need something at all, be totally and completely unnecessary

I **need this problem like a hole in the head**.

to never enter one's head

to have never thought about something prior

I can't believe what you're saying. That **idea never entered my head**.

to nod one's head

1. to **incline the head** as a means of acknowledging another's greeting or statement

Even though he was talking on the phone, he **nodded his head** each time she finished a statement.

2. to incline one's head to say hello, good morning, or good evening

I don't like how **he only nods his head** in the mornings, can't he **open his mouth** and say the words, good morning.

3. (more stylized) to salute hail, give salutation, greet, address
4. (informal) to say how do you do tip one's hat, doff one's hat
5. to show or motion assent, agreement, affirmation, leave, approval, license, agreement, endorsement, compliance, permission, formal approval, acceptance

He **nodded his head** to let everyone know his opinion.

6. (more stylized) to motion or nod) approbation, accordance, concession, authorization, sanction, consent, permit, accord, compliance, official sanction, concurrence, acquiescence, validation
7. (informal) to nod to signify that one gives the word, backing, nod, the green light, the O.K., the nod of approval, carte blanche

to not be able to get something out of one's head

1. to be unable to stopping thinking about something, be unable to forget, be pursued by or chase after by unwanted thoughts

I can't **get what happened out of my head**.

2. (informal) to be dogged, bedogged, hounded or haunted by memories which **keep going round and round in one's mind**

to not be able to keep one's head in the sand

1. to no longer be able to ignore reality, no longer able to refuse to accept what is

When it comes to his daughter, he **keeps his head in a hole**.

2. to finally allow oneself to see what is plain to everyone, **open one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, stop hiding or running away from reality, **open one's eyes to, stop one's head in the sand**

to not be able to keep one's head in a hole

1. to no longer be able to ignore reality, no longer able to refuse to accept what is

You can't **keep your head in the sand** forever.

2. to finally allow oneself to see what is plain to everyone, **open one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, stop hiding or running away from reality, **open one's eyes to, hide one's head in a hole**

to not be right in the head

1. to be mentally or emotionally imbalance, **be of unsound mind**,

He is not responsible for what he did; he **is not right in the head**.

2. (informal) to be crazy, a crackpot, **out of one's head, out of one's mind**, not right upstairs

3. (slang) to be buggy, loco, schizo, nutty as a fruit cake, bananas, nuts, nutty, off one's rocker

to not bother one's head

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or

distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled, not worry or be concerned excessively about

Do **not bother your head**. It's not worth hassle.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, be unperturbed undismayed or undaunted
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least, not care less, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hairs, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over**
4. (slang) be loose as a goose, not sweat bullets, not sweat blood, loose, devil-may-care
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not bother one's head about

1. to not worry about, not be preoccupied about, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively about, not bother about

Do **not bother your head about** such things right now. You'll eventually get it.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least about, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought about, **not get gray hair over, not get gray hairs over, not have butterflies**

in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head with

4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn about, not give a good god-damn about, not give a shit about, not give a fuck about*

to not bother one's head with

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried, untroubled

Do **not bother your head with** the numbers. They don't make any sense.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head with**, not be concerned in the least with, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights thinking about, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hair over**, not get gray hairs over, **not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head with, not worry one's head with, not trouble one's pretty little head with**
4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose with, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not bother one's pretty little head

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled, not worry or be concerned excessively about

I told her to **not bother her pretty little head**. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, be unperturbed undismayed or undaunted
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least, not care less, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hairs, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's pretty little head**
4. (slang) be loose as a goose, not sweat bullets, not sweat blood, loose, devil-may-care
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not bother one's pretty little head about

1. to not worry about, not be preoccupied about, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively about, not bother about

I told her to **not bother her pretty little head about** anything. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least about, care less about, not lose sleep over, not trouble one's little head about, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought about, **not get gray hair over, not get gray hairs over, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head about**

4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not bother one's pretty little head with

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried, untroubled

I told her to **not bother her pretty little head with** the everyday running of the restaurant. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head with**, not be concerned in the least with, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights thinking about, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hair over**, not get gray hairs over, **not have butterflies in one's stomach**, **not loose one's hair over**, **not trouble one's head with**, **not worry one's head with**, **not trouble one's pretty little head with**
4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose with, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not even have a roof over one's head

1. to not have shelter, apartment, house, accommodations, living quarters, housing, be poor, have no money, be out of cash

He's so poor that he does **not even have a roof over his head**.

2. (more stylistic) to be destitute, indigent, poverty-stricken, strapped, penurious, insolvent or impecunious, be as poor as Job's turkey, be unable to keep the wolf from the door

3. (informal) to not have a pad, crash pad, crib, digs, be broke, be dead broke, pinched, hard up, penniless, short, wiped out, be without a nickle to one's name, down at the heels, be without a penny to one's name, be down and out
4. (slang) to be as poor as a church mouse, flat, flat-broke
5. *(vulgar) to not have a pot to piss in*

to not have a roof over one's head

1. to not have shelter, apartment, house, accommodations, living quarters, housing, be poor, have no money, be out of cash

Since yesterday I have **not had a roof over my head**.
2. (more stylistic) to be destitute, indigent, poverty-stricken, strapped, penurious, insolvent or impecunious, be as poor as Job's turkey, be unable to keep the wolf from the door
3. (informal) to not have a pad, crash pad, crib, digs, be broke, be dead broke, pinched, hard up, penniless, short, wiped out, be without a nickle to one's name, **down at the heels**, be without a penny to one's name, be down and out
4. (slang) to be as poor as a church mouse,
5. *(vulgar) to not have a pot to piss in*

to not hide one's head in the sand

1. to not ignore or dismiss reality

He's the type of person who will not **put his head in the sand**.

2. to look at, see, or **keep one's eyes open to** what is going on around one, to see what is plain to everyone, purposely not **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, not hide or run away from reality, **keep one's eyes to, not put one's head in a hole, not put one's head in the sand, not hide one's head in a hole**

to not hide one's head in a hole

1. to not ignore or dismiss reality

He will deal with the problem at hand and not **hide his head in a hole**.

2. to look at, see, or **keep one's eyes open to** what is going on around one, to see what is plain to everyone, purposely not **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, not hide or run away from reality, **keep one's eyes to, not hide one's head in the sand, not put one's hand in the sand, not put one's head in a hole**

to not know if one is on one's head or heel

1. to be totally and completely confused or disorientated

As a result of being here for a couple of days, I don't know if I **am on my head or heel**.

2. (informal) to be baffled, bewildered, befogged, rattled, muddled, befuddled, thrown off

to not lift one's head

1. to avoid problems by remaining out of sight or out of the limelight, not make oneself obvious, be inconspicuous, be too ashamed or embarrassed to **show one's face**, flinch, cower or crouch

If you don't want any problems, I would **keep my head down** and **my mouth shut**.

2. (more stylistic) to evade or elude problems by making oneself as inconspicuous as possible, keep a low-profile, evade unwanted attention, **be too mortified to show one's face**
3. (informal) to keep quiet, **keep one mouth shut**, don't stand out, be mum or **closed-mouthed**, button up, keep under one's hat, keep a low profile, remain low-key, shrink, cringe, dodge, side step, hide from, make oneself scarce, **not lift one's head, not raise one's head, keep one's head down, hide one's face, hide one's head**
4. (slang) mum's the word

to not make heads or tails (out) of

1. to not understand, not be able to decipher, be incomprehensible, beyond one's comprehension, indecipherable, undecipherable or not understandable

I can **not make heads or tails out of** what he is selling.

2. (informal) to be over one's head, be Greek to one, baffling, mystifying, sphinx-like

to not put one's head in a hole

1. to not ignore or dismiss reality

He will deal with the problem at hand and not **put his head in a hole**.

2. to look at, see, or **keep one's eyes open to** what is going on around one, to see what is plain to everyone, purposely not **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, not hide or run away from reality, **keep one's eyes to, not hide one's head in the sand, not put one's hand in the sand, not hide one's head in a hole**

to not put one's head in the sand

1. to not ignore or dismiss reality

He's the type of person who does not **put his head in the sand**.

2. to look at, see, or **keep one's eyes open to** what is going on around one, to see what is plain to everyone, purposely not **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, not hide or run away from reality, **keep one's eyes to**, **not put one's head in a hole**, **not hide one's head in the sand**, **not hide one's head in a hole**

to not raise one's head

1. to avoid problems by remaining out of sight or out of the limelight, not make oneself obvious, be inconspicuous, be too ashamed or embarrassed to **show one's face**, flinch, cower or crouch

He was so ashamed and scared that he **did not raise his head**.

2. (more stylistic) to evade or elude problems by making oneself as inconspicuous as possible, keep a low-profile, evade unwanted attention, **be too mortified to show one's face**
3. (informal) to keep quiet, **keep one mouth shut**, don't stand out, be mum or **closed-mouthed**, button up, keep under one's hat, keep a low profile, remain low-key, shrink, cringe, dodge, side step, hide from, make oneself scarce, **not lift one's head**, **not raise one's head**, **keep one's head down**, **hide one's face**, **hide one's head**
4. (slang) mum's the word

to not trouble one's head

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled, not worry or be concerned excessively about

He does **not ever trouble**. He never has; he is not a good husband.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, be unperturbed undismayed or undaunted
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least, not care less, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hairs, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over**
4. (slang) be loose as a goose, not sweat bullets, not sweat blood, loose, devil-may-care
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not trouble one's head about

1. to not worry about, not be preoccupied about, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively about, not bother about

Do **not trouble your head about** all that work. When we get back, we'll do everything together.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least about, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought about, **not get gray hair over, not get gray hairs over, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head with**

4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn about, not give a good god-damn about, not give a shit about, not give a fuck about*

to not trouble one's head with

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried, untroubled

Do **not trouble your head with** what's going to happen tomorrow. Let tomorrow take care of tomorrow.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head with**, not be concerned in the least with, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights thinking about, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hair over**, not get gray hairs over, **not have butterflies in one's stomach**, **not loose one's hair over**, **not trouble one's head with**, **not worry one's head with**, **not trouble one's pretty little head with**
4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose with, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not trouble one's pretty little head

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled, not worry or be concerned excessively about

I told her to **not trouble her pretty little head**. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, be unperturbed undismayed or undaunted
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least, not care less, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hairs, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's pretty little head**
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5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not trouble one's pretty little head about

1. to not worry about, not be preoccupied about, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively about, not bother about

I told her to **not trouble her pretty little head about** anything.
I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least about, care less about, not lose sleep over, not trouble one's little head about, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought about, **not get gray hair over, not get gray hairs over, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head about**

4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not trouble one's pretty little head with

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried, untroubled

I told her to **not trouble her pretty little head with** the everyday running of the restaurant. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head with**, not be concerned in the least with, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights thinking about, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hair over**, not get gray hairs over, **not have butterflies in one's stomach**, **not loose one's hair over**, **not trouble one's head with**, **not worry one's head with**, **not trouble one's pretty little head with**
4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose with, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not worry one's head

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled, not worry or be concerned excessively about

He does **not ever worry his head** . He never has; therefore, he has never been either a good husband or father.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, be unperturbed undismayed or undaunted

3. (informal) to **not trouble one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least, not care less, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hairs, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over**
4. (slang) be loose as a goose, not sweat bullets, not sweat blood, loose, devil-may-care
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not worry one's head about

1. to not worry about, not be preoccupied about, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively about, not bother about

Do **not worry your head about** all that gossip and chattering.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not bother one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least about, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought about, **not get gray hair over, not get gray hairs over, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head with**
4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not worry one's head over

1. to not worry over, not be preoccupied over, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively over, not bother about

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4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not worry one's head with

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried, untroubled

Do **not worry your head with** what's going to happen tomorrow. Let tomorrow take care of tomorrow.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not worry one's pretty little head with**, not be concerned in the least with, care less about, not lose sleep over,

not stay awake at nights thinking about, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hair over**, not get gray hairs over, **not have butterflies in one's stomach**, **not loose one's hair over**, **not trouble one's head with**, **not worry one's head with**, **not trouble one's pretty little head with**

4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose with, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not worry one's pretty little head

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled, not worry or be concerned excessively about

I told her to **not worry her pretty little head**. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, be unperturbed undismayed or undaunted
3. (informal) to **not bother one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least, not care less, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hairs**, **not have butterflies in one's stomach**, **not loose one's hair over**, **not trouble one's pretty little head**
4. (slang) be loose as a goose, not sweat bullets, not sweat blood, loose, devil-may-care
5. *(vulgar) to not give a damn, not give a good god-damn, not give a shit, not give a fuck*

to not worry one's pretty little head about

1. to not worry about, not be preoccupied about, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried or untroubled about, not worry or be concerned excessively about, not bother about

I told her to **not trouble her pretty little head about** anything.
I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not bother one's pretty little head**, not be concerned in the least about, care less about, not lose sleep over, not trouble one's little head about, not stay awake at nights, not give it a second thought about, **not get gray hair over, not get gray hairs over, not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head about**
4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose about, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to not worry one's pretty little head with

1. to not worry, not be preoccupied with, not be anxious or distressed by, be blasé, unworried, untroubled

I told her to **not worry her pretty little head with** the everyday running of the restaurant. I assured her that I would take care of everything.

2. (more stylistic) to not fret, be nonchalant, not be anxious, be placid, mellow or serene about, unperturbed, undismayed or undaunted about
3. (informal) to **not bother one's pretty little head with**, not be concerned in the least with, care less about, not lose sleep over, not stay awake at nights thinking about, not give it a second thought, **not get gray hair over**, not get gray hairs over, **not have butterflies in one's stomach, not loose one's hair over, not trouble one's head with, not worry one's head with, not trouble one's pretty little head with**

4. (slang) to remain loose as a goose with, not sweat bullets about, not sweat blood about, remain loose about, have a devil-may-care attitude about

to place someone's head in the noose

1. to involve, mix-up with, trap

He made a deal with the police. Therefore, although his friend had nothing to do with the crime, he **placed his head in the noose**.

2. (more stylized) to ensnarl, incriminate, implicate, recriminate, enmesh, entrap, inculcate, embroil, ensnare, snare, encumber, entrap
3. (informal) to get into trouble, draw in, tie up in, get into hot water, tangle up in, get into a mess, get someone caught up in
4. (slang) suck in

to place someone's head on the block

1. to mix-up with, trap involve

He made a deal with the police. Therefore, although his friend had nothing to do with the crime, he **placed his friend's head on the block**.

2. to, implicate, embroil, ensnare, snare, recriminate, enmesh, entrap, inculcate, encumber, entrap, ensnarl, incriminate
3. to, draw in, tie up in, get into hot water, get into a mess, **put someone's head in the noose, put someone's head on the chopping block**, get someone caught up in, get into trouble, tangle up in
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to pop into one's head

to suddenly remember, recall or think of

The minute that I smelled the perfume, my mother **popped into my head**.

to put heads together

1. to confer, debate, hold a conference, consult or talk together, deliberate, consult with, exchange view or perspectives, discuss

If need to **put heads together** to solve this problem.

2. (more stylized) to palaver, converse
3. (informal) to parley, compare notes, go into a huddle, **lay heads together**, sit down together, talk with or over, **brainstorm**,
4. (slang) to talk turkey, powwow, huddle

to put ideas into someone's head

to influence someone to do something (normally negative)

He's always **putting ideas into his wife's head**.

to put one's head down

1. to avoid problems by remaining out of sight or out of the limelight, not make oneself obvious, be inconspicuous, be too ashamed or embarrassed to **show one's face**, flinch, cower or crouch

If you don't want any problems, I would **put my head down** and **my mouth shut**.

2. (more stylistic) to evade or elude problems by making oneself as inconspicuous as possible, keep a low-profile, evade unwanted attention, **be too mortified to show one's face**
3. (informal) to keep quiet, **keep one mouth shut**, don't stand out, be mum or **closed-mouthed**, button up, keep under one's hat, keep a low profile, remain low-key, shrink, cringe, dodge, side step, hide from, make oneself scarce, **not lift one's head**, **not raise one's head**, **keep one's head down**, **hide one's face**, **hide one's head**
4. (slang) mum's the word

to put one's head in the lion's mouth

1. to confront boldly, oppose directly, confront, encounter, meet courageously, challenge, confront, stand up to, provoke, dare, stand in opposition of, confront, stand opposed to, brazen, brazen out, brazen through

Don't **put your head in the mouth of the lion**. You can get it chewed off.

2. (more stylistic) to affront, oppugn, encounter, cross, thwart, **face in defiance**, threaten, defy

3. (informal) to not run away from, skate on thin ice, **put one's head in the lion's mouth**, **face**, brave, **face up to**, court destruction, tempt Providence, **meet eyeball to eyeball**, beard, stand oppose to, throw down the gauntlet, **come face to face**, beard the lion in his den, twist the lion's tail, **fly in the face of**, make bold, call into question, **be in someone's face**, **meet head on**
4. (slang) to take the bull by the horn, bell the cat, dance on the razor's edge , double-dare

to put one's head in the sand

1. to put oneself in such a situation so that reality can be ignored or dismissed

You can't **put your head in the sand** forever.

2. to refuse to look at, see, or **open one's eye to** what is going on around one, not want to see what is plain to everyone, purposely **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **put one's head in the sand**, **hide one's head in a hole**, **hide one's head in the sand**

to put one's head in a hole

1. to put oneself in such a situation so that reality can be ignored or dismissed

When it comes to his daughter, he is always **putting his head in a hole**.

2. to refuse to look at, see, or **open one's eye to** what is going on around one, not want to see what is plain to everyone, purposely **close one's eye to the handwriting on the wall**, hide or run away from reality, **close one's eyes to**, **hide one's head in the sand**, **put one's head in the sand**, **hide one's head in a hole**

to put one's head in the lion's mouth

1. to challenge, risk, defy or confront danger

Because of the type of work that he does, every morning that he gets into that police car, he is, in reality, **put one's head in the lion's mouth**

2. (informal) to beard, tempt fate, go eyeball to eyeball or go head to head with danger, march up to the cannon's ball mouth, **to put one's head on the chopping block**, stare down, beard the lion's den
3. (slang) to dare, to double-dare

to put one's head on the chopping block

1. to put oneself at risk, take or hazard a chance, hazard all, expose oneself to danger, put oneself in jeopardy

If she answers that question, she will be **putting her head on the chopping block**.

2. (highly stylized) to peril, imperil
3. to **risk one's neck**, go in harm's way, court destruction, **put one's head in the lion's mouth**, **take one's life in one's own hand**, **stick one's neck** or **chin out**, put everything on the line, **put one's head on the chopping block**

to put one's head on the line

1. to put oneself at risk, take or hazard a chance, hazard all, expose oneself to danger, put oneself in jeopardy

She never learns; she is always **putting her head on the line**.

2. (highly stylized) to peril, imperil
3. to **risk one's neck**, go in harm's way, court destruction, **put**

one's head in the lion's mouth, take one's life in one's own hand, stick one's neck or chin out, put everything on the line, **put one's head on the chopping block**

to put ones' heads together

1. to work, struggle, fight, or join together, cooperate with one another, collaborate, join together

If we **put our heads together** we could solve anything.

2. (highly stylized) to connive
3. (informal) to join forces, pull together, **stand shoulder to shoulder**

to put out of one's head

1. to dismiss something as insignificant, put aside, lay aside, no longer continue thinking about, disregard

Don't worry about the money. **Put it out of your head.**

2. (informal) to shelve, think no more about, put out of one's mind, have done with, write off, lay by the wayside
3. (slang) put in the eighty-six, put in the circular file,

to put one's shoulders back and hold one's head up high

1. to stand up straight, erect, not curved or upright, be unbent or unbowed

If you expect to be a successful model, you must **hold your head up high.**

2. (informal) to stand straight as an arrow, **put one's shoulders back**

3. to stand straight and proud, display or demonstrate one's dignity or strength, not show one's shame or embarrassment, to show one's pride, not to be embarrassed or ashamed, **put one's shoulders back and look at someone in the eyes**

You are a Castillo; therefore, you are to **put your shoulders back and your head up high**. Show that you're proud.

4. (more stylistic) to demonstrate that one is unbowed, unbent, unrepentant, resolute, steadfast or firm, not to show trepidation, apprehensive or mortification
5. to show that one **has a mind of one's own** or that one is strong-willed, **hard-headed**, tough, **hard-nosed** or **strong minded**, **be stiff-backed**, show no fear, **keep** or **maintain one's head up**, hold, **keep** or **maintain one's head held up high**, **put one's shoulders back and hold one's head up high**

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to raise one's head

1. to **lift one's eyes, lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes, raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes, lift one's head, lift up one's head**

She **raised her eyes** the minute she heard the noise.

2. (more stylistic) to **direct one's eyes upward**, look skyward, look up, look heavenward, **raise one's eyes skyward**, **lift one's head skyward**, **raise one's eyes heavenward**, direct one's gaze skyward, direct one's gaze heavenward, look star ward, **direct one's eyes star ward**, **direct one's eyes to the wild blue yonder**, **raise one's head to the stars**, **raise one's head up**

3. to say a pray, pray, offer a pray

She **raised her head** hoping that everything would be alright.

4. to plead, ask, beg, call on, request

The man **raised his head**, silently begging the king for mercy.

5. (more stylistic) to supplicate, implore, press, appeal, beseech, invoke, cry for, entreat, besiege, solicit, apply to

6. (informal) to throw oneself on the mercy of the court, **throw oneself at the feet of**

7. to **lift one's eyes** or **head to look at someone**, raise or lift one's gaze or look at someone as a result of no longer being afraid, embarrassed or ashamed

Although she was scared, she **raised her head** and looked at her boss without flinching.

8. (more stylistic) to summon or gather up enough courage to meet someone's gaze or **meet someone's eyes**

9. (informal) to rouse, **nerve up** or call up one's courage to look at someone or **meet someone's eyes**

to raise one's head skyward

1. to **lift one's eyes, lift one's head**, lift one's gaze, lift one's look, **raise one's eyes, raise one's head**, raise one's look, raise one's gaze, **lift up one's eyes, lift one's head, lift up one's head**

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to raise one's head star ward

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to raise one's eyes up

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to rear its ugly head

1. to appear, make itself known

It took a number of years but cancer has finally **reared its ugly head**.

2. (highly stylistic) to come, burst or break forth
3. (informal) to crop up, make one's appearance, loom up, enter the picture, come to light

to run around like a chicken with its head cut off

1. to rush around without really accomplishing what one has set out to do

I am always **running around like a chicken with its head cut off**.

2. to spin one's wheel, go nowhere fast, run around in circles
3. to overreact, get overexcited, panic, be alarmed

When he heard the news, he **ran around like a chicken without its head**.

4. to get over stimulated, impassioned, agitated or over animated, be stricken with terror
5. to get all worked up, get in a tizzy, get all excited, go crazy, **throw one's hands up**
6. to get all hyped up, forget which end is up, go bonkers, push the panic button, forget what's what, break out in a cold sweat, go into a dithers, **jump out of one's skin**

to rush headlong

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He **rushed headlong** into the problem.
2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to scratch one's head

1. to be puzzled, perplexed, or mystified

His personality makes me **scratch my head**.

2. (informal) to be bewildered, muddled, baffled, at a loss, at sea, thrown for a loop or dumbfounded, **not understand heads or tails**

He **scratched his head** at the situation.

to scream one's head off

1. to scream loudly, yell in a penetrating or intense manner

She **screamed her head off** when the man took her purse.

2. to scream, shout, or yell in a manner which is **earsplitting**, **head splitting**, **ear-piercing**, thundering, earth-shaking, or window-rattling, **to shout one's head off**, shout loud enough to wake the dead, **yell one's head off**

to secure a beachhead

1. (normally used as a military term) to get or secure place to stand on, standing, base, support or grip on the beach

It was very difficult for the soldiers to **secure a beachhead**.

2. (more stylized) to get a base, foundation, hold, support, place on which to stand, vantage or position

3. to get or secure a **toehold**, **bridgehead**, **beachhead**

to shake one's head

1. to move one's head up and down or from side to side with quick repeated movements

2. to move one's head from side to side as a way of saying no

He waited until she stopped talking to **shake his head**.

3. to move one's head from side to side as a way of indicating one's disappointment

While he lied to her, she kept **shaking her head**.

4. to move one's head from side to side as a way of indicating one's disapproval, admonish, **give the thumbs down**, alert, warn, suggest, alarm, counsel or advise

Because she kept **shaking her head** during the entire speech, it is obvious that she did not agree with anything that was being said.

5. (more stylistic) to exhort, enjoin, recommend, expostulate, forewarn, caution, prescribe, press, dissuade
6. (informal) to **wag one's finger**, **shake one's finger**, give a warning

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She **shouted her head off** when the man took her purse.

to snap one's head off

1. to chastise or scold someone

I think that she's in a bad mood this morning. She **snapped my head off**.

2. (more stylized) to admonish, reprimand, reprove, reproach, castigate, upbraid
3. to jump all over, **give a good tongue-lashing to**, give a good talking to, lay someone out, tell a thing or two
4. (slang) to chew out, fuss out, bawl out, tell where to get off

to spearhead

1. to precede, initiate, pioneer, take the first step, take the front position, take the lead, go in advance, lead the way, go forward

The congressman **spearheaded** the legislation.

2. (more stylistic) to be a precursor or foregoer, lay the foundation, usher in
3. to break the ice, go in front, break ground, smooth the path, smooth the road, lead off, lead the way, lead off go before, lay the first stone, go first, **dash ahead**, lead off

to stand at the head

1. to lead, stand at the head of, come first, be at the head of, be in the front position, be first, head up, come first

You can find John over there; he's **standing at the head** of the line.

2. to precede, be at the fore, antecede, be ahead of
3. to go before, take the lead, go ahead of, come before

to stand logic on its head

1. to act or argue irrationally or illogically, to act in a manner which is unsound, incredible or inconceivable

What she was saying was **standing logic on its head**. I'm telling you that it made no sense at all.

2. (informal) to act in a manner which is absolutely ridiculous, stupid, idiotic, insane, beyond anyone's idea of logical or dumb
3. (slang) to act in a manner which is cockamamie, **cockeyed**, cuckoo or kooky
4. *(vulgar) think in a manner which is asinine or ass first*

to stick out one's head

1. to come into view, come out of hiding to see what is happening, glimpse at, take a look at

Although the child was scared to death, he **stuck out his head** to see if the men had left.

2. (more stylized) to emerge, view, reveal oneself to look, peer,
3. (informal) to sneak a look at, snatch a glimpse at, peer out of, peep out, take a peek, sneak a peek at
4. (slang) to have a look-see

to take it into one's head

1. to believe something despite evidence to the contrary, be stubborn, or obstinate, decide

He has **taken into his head** that you are no longer his friend and there is no one on this planet or any other which will be able to change his mind.

2. (informal) to take a notion, be **bullheaded**, mulish, stubborn as a mule, **pigheaded**, **headstrong**, **muleheaded**

to take one's head off

1. to chastise, scold or reprimand

He **took my head off** when he got home.

2. (informal) to holler at, fuss at, chide, tell off, come down hard on, rake over the coals, **pin someone's ears back**, **give someone a piece of one's mind**, **jump down someone's throat** or **in someone's face**, **skin alive**
3. (slang) to give someone hell, raise hell, give someone hell to pay, light or rip into, lay out

to talk one's head off

1. to bore, annoy, badger, plague, hector

Come on and let's go while she's in the bathroom. She's **talking my head off** and I can't stand another minute.

2. (more stylized) to exhaust, weary, irritate, exasperate
3. (informal) to send one to sleep, bother, give one a pain, **get in one's hair**, bore to death, **bend one's ear**, **be a pain in the neck**, bore, bore to tears, peeve, pester, **get under one's skin**

to toss one's head

1. to show disapproval, opposition or resistance, dispute, snub, be against, take exception to, shun, shrink away from, shrug

I don't care if you **toss your head**. We are going to still vote.

2. (more stylized) evade, recoil from, forbear, disdain, ostracize, spurn, eschew, elude, ignore, refrain from, derelish, take exception to, repudiate
3. (informal) to boycott, back away from, look dimly on, frown upon, not touch with a 10 feet pole, cold shoulder, take a dim view of, put on one's list, not look kindly upon, **turn one's back on**, **turn one's nose up at**, steer clear of, shy away from, **give the cold shoulder to**, keep out of the way of, shrug off
4. (slang) to dump, blacklist, blackball, cut

to turn heads

1. to captivate, fascinate, attract, draw someone's attention, awe

Because of the way that she dresses, she is always turning heads.
2. (highly stylized) to enthrall, enrapture, take one's fancy, spellbind, becharm, enchant
3. (informal) to dazzle, bedazzle, catch someone's attention
4. (slang) to turn on, **blow one's mind** or away, bowl over

to turn someone's head

1. to flatter, laud, sing someone's praises, praise to excess someone so as to impress

He **turned her head** to such a extent that she has fallen in love with him.
2. (informal) to puff up, sweet talk, lay, pile or spread it on thick
3. to cause someone to become conceited, self-centered or vain

The newspaper article **turned her head**.

4. (informal) to give someone a big or swelled head, cause someone to become inflated or full of oneself
5. to cause someone to act foolish, mixed up or confused

Love has **turned her head**.

6. (informal) to cause one to act be silly, dopey, **harebrained**, giddy, **scatterbrained**, dizzy, woozy, muddled

to turn on its head

to turn upside down, use its opposite meaning, have topsy-turvy

He **turned the whole situation on its head**.

to use one's head

1. to think, be practical, sensible, realistic or unsentimental, reason, use reason

Use your head; this is not going to work.

2. (informal) to be a person who is not on cloud nine or see the world through rose-colored glasses, be down-to-earth, clear or level-headed
3. to be sharp, shrewd, astute, clever, sharp-witted, keen
That young man is going places; he knows how to use his head.
4. (informal) to be as sharp as a tack, quick-witted, bright

to want someone's head

1. to want someone dead

The leader **wants his enemy's head**.

2. to want to utterly defeat one's opponent

The candidate saw the campaign as personal. He **wanted his opponent's head**.

to want someone's head on a silver platter.

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The candidate saw the campaign as personal. He **wanted his opponent's head on a silver platter**.

to whirl around one's head

1. to go very or too close to one's **head**

As soon as they stepped off the ship, bullets were **whirling around their head**

2. to **hiss, whiz, buzz, whistle, fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's head**, to **hiss, whiz, buzz, whistle, fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's ears**

to whistle around one's head

1. to go very or too close to one's **head**

As soon as they stepped off the ship, bullets were **whistling around their head**

2. to **hiss, whiz, buzz, fly** or **whirl very close** or **around**

one's head, to **hiss, whiz, buzz, whistle, fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's ears**

to whiz around one's head

1. to go very or too close to one's **head**

As soon as they stepped off the ship, bullets were **whizzing around their head**

2. to **hiss, whiz, buzz, whistle, fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's head**, to **hiss, whiz, buzz, whistle, fly** or **whirl very close** or **around one's ears**

to win by a head

1. to barely or only just win

Yes, your horse won but he **won only by a head**.

2. **win by a neck, win by a nose, win by a hair**

to win by a short head (slang/regional)

to almost win, to lose by a very small amount

to work one's head off

1. to work very hard

I **earned my money by working my head off**.

2. (more stylistic) to overexert oneself, labor, toil, earn one's livelihood, work like a Trojan
3. to work day and night, work overtime, do double duty, **beat one's brain out**, burn the midnight oil, **work one's fingers to the bone**, work like there's tomorrow, plod along, plug away, peg away, **work one's head off**

4. (slang) to sweat and slave, work one's tail off, drudge, work like a dog, kill oneself, work like a slave, work like a horse, work like a galley, burn the candle on both ends, slave away, **set one's shoulder to the wheel, keep one's nose to the grindstone**, grind
5. *(vulgar) to work one's ass off, work one's behind off*

to worry one's head about

1. to be worried about, worry about, be wrapped up by, be depleted by, be worn out by, devote all one's times to

I had to always been **worrying my head about** my son. He drove me crazy.
2. (more stylized) to be preoccupied, obsessed or concerned about, fret over, be occupied with, abstracted by, be fretful about, anguish over, agonize over, torture oneself over
3. (informal) to dwell on, chew over, **rack one's brain**, mull over, **wring one's hands over, cudgel one's brain**, think about, think over, put on one's thinking cap, chew one's curd, be in one's brown study, cause someone to lose sleep over or stay awake at nights, harry, not **be lighthearted, get gray hair, have butterflies in one's stomach, loose one's hair over**
4. (slang) to cause someone to sweat blood, sweat bullets, be concerned with 24/7
5. *(vulgar) to give a damn, give a good god-damned, give a shit, give a fuck*

A hard head makes a soft behind. (slang/regional)

A stubborn or bad child normally gets spanked.

It will cost so much a head.

Each person will cost a certain amount.

Two heads are better than one.

The more, the better.

Where are you headed?

Where are you going?

Heads I win, tails I lose.

(on the toss of a coin) Face up part of the coin, I win. The bottom part, I lose

Heads I win, tails you lose.

(on the toss of a coin) No matter what, you lose.

Heads up!

Be careful!

Heads up on your next move.

Heads will roll!

Those responsible will suffer the consequences!

addle-headed

1. stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple, dizzy

He is so **addle-headed** that I don't think he will ever get what I want.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) not very intelligent, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, dunce

bareheaded

without a hat or any kind of covering

Traditionally, a woman should not enter a church if she is **bareheaded**.

big-headed

1. conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, self-admiring, vain, self-centered

I have never met a person who is so **big headed**.

2. (more stylish) haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, arrogant, lordly, pompous, overweening, narcissistic, vain, egotistical, overweening, pretentious
3. (informal) **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, too good for the rest of us, **swell-headed**, smug, cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin, strutting, **having one's nose in the air**, hoity-toity, stuck on oneself, peacockish, puffed-up, **looking down one's nose at**

4. (slang) too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty, stuck up on oneself, hung up on oneself, sniffy

blockheaded

1. stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple, dizzy
Don't be so **blockheaded**. You know that he won't call.
2. (more stylistic) intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) not very intelligent, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, numskull

bone-headed from the neck up

1. stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple, dizzy

He doesn't think. He is **bone-headed from the neck up**.
2. (more stylistic) intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) not very intelligent, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, numskull

bullet-headed

1. shrewd, tough, pitiless, harsh, unfeeling, unsympathetic, callous, unsentimental

He's such an unpopular boss because he **is such a bullet-headed** person.

2. (more stylistic) inured, impervious, insentient, indurated
3. (informal) cold, **hardhearted**, casehardened, inflexible, hardboiled, hardened, hard-bitten, **hard-nose person**, matter-of-fact, **marble hearted**, **thick-skinned**

bullheaded

1. ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, adamant

He is the most **bullheaded** person that I have ever known.

2. (more stylish) implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, refractory
3. (informal) mulish, wrongheaded, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-neck**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded**, **single-minded**
4. (slang) dogged, cussed, bulldogged
5. (*vulgar*) *hard-assed*

chuckle-headed

1. being a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop being such a **chuckle-headed** fool who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head**, **birdbrain**

clearheaded

1. astute, sharp, sound, stable, thoughtful, sensible, intelligent, alert, wide-awake, observant, attentive, shrewd, quick

Because she is **clearheaded**, you can not fool her.

2. (more stylistic) cogent, balanced, circumspect, sensible, Argus-eyed, vigilant
3. (informal) **lynx-eyed**, **right-minded**, **clear-eyed**, **clear-minded**, **eagle-eyed**, **hawk-eyed**, **mindful**, **level-headed**

4. reasonable, composed, lucid, sound, rational, clear, calm, sound of mind, collected, able to reason, balanced, of sound mind
5. (more stylistic) thinking, tranquil, circumspect, sober, judicious, self-possessed, comprehending, cognitive, unperturbed, unruffled, coherent
6. (informal) unconfused, with everything there, far sighted, **long-headed**, clear sighted, long sighted, **clear eyed**, **in one's right mind**
7. (slang) not all there, with all one's marbles
8. alert, wide-awake, observant, intent, quick on the uptake, paying attention to, on guard
9. (more stylistic) advertent, chary, cautious, regardful, heedful, wary, vigilant, on the qui vive, conscious
10. (informal) on the look out, **eyes front**, quick on the trigger, heads up, on the stick, **on one's toes**, nobody's fool, **one's eyes peeled**, **all eyes**, all seeing
11. not easily excited, composed, relaxed, calm, at ease, even-tempered, wide awake, serene, cool, unexcitable, collected, steady, unshaken, self-assured, balanced

In a moment of crisis he is excellent. He is so **clear-headed**.

12. (more stylistic) stoical, cogent, self-controlled, unruffled, balanced, self-possessed, unflappable, unperturbed, collected, non-chalant, poised, undemonstrative, dignified, suave
13. (informal) laid-back, easy-going, together, **clear headed**, together, **level headed**, at ease, cool

cool-headed

1. not easily excited, composed, relaxed, calm, at ease, even-tempered, wide awake, serene, cool, unexcitable, collected, steady, unshaken, self-assured, balanced

In a moment of crisis he is excellent. He **is so cool-headed**.

2. (more stylistic) stoical, cogent, self-controlled, unruffled, balanced, self-possessed, unflappable, unperturbed, collected, non-chalant, poised, undemonstrative, dignified, suave
3. (informal) laid-back, easy-going, together, **clear headed**, together, **level headed**, at ease, cool, down-to-earth

dunderheaded

1. unintelligent, blank, stupid, foolish, a fool

You are so **dunderheaded**; he's not coming back to you. Never!

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid
3. (informal) **fatheaded**, meatball, dippy, **addle-brained**, moron, crackbrained, booby, daft, **blubber headed**
4. (slang) screwy, daffy, batty, loony, goofy

empty-headed

1. unreflecting, unintelligent, subnormal, unthinking, blank, dense, silly, simple, **brainless**, dizzy, foolish

He is **empty-headed** and rather very silly.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, deficient, inane, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse, fatuous

3. (informal) dizzy, brainless, being a dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull

fair headed

1. light, white, blond, blonde, flaxen, fair-skinned

You can't miss her; she **is very fair headed**.

2. (informal) **light-haired**, **fair headed**, **golden haired**

fatheaded

1. lumpish, blunt, stolid, thick

You are a **fatheaded** idiot!

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead** or ding-bat, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, being a dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull

feather head

1. not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic, absurd, stolid, vacuous

She flutters around like a butterfly. She is a **feather head**.

2. (more stylistic) childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless, vapid
3. (informal) dim-witted, for the birds, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, dumb, **scatterbrained**, **crackbrained**, **dunderheaded**, asinine, green, **harebrained**, slow, harebrained, **bird-brained**, half-witted, thick headed, **rattlebrained**, **muddle headed**, **thick skulled**, befuddled, a **blockhead**, out of it
4. (slang to vulgar) dam fool, be balmy, dam-foolish

fool-headed

1. not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic

She flutters around like a butterfly. She is a **light-headed** young lady.

2. (more stylistic) childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless
3. (informal) dim-witted, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, **scatterbrained**, **crackbrained**, **dunderheaded**, asinine, **harebrained**, **bird-brained**, half-witted, **rattlebrained**

hard-headed

1. ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, adamant,

He is the most **hard-headed** person that I have ever known.

2. (more stylish) implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, refractory
3. (informal) mulish, wrongheaded, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded** or **single-minded**
4. (slang) to be dogged, cussed or bulldogged
5. *(vulgar) to be hard-assed*
6. tough, icy, unsentimental, practical, stern, callous, case-hardened, determined, staunch, relentless, preserving

Her tears won't affect him; he is very **hard-headed**.
7. (more stylistic) efficient, calculating, shrewd, unsympathetic, unflagging, indurate, inured, unwavering, deliberate, wanton, uncompromising
8. (informal) inflexible, uncompromising, unbending, hard-line, hardcore, hard-shell, stubborn, hardboiled, **two-fisted**, stony, **thick-skinned**, **hard-hearted**, hardboiled hard as nails, rugged
9. (slang) do-or-die, hell-bent, gritty, bent on

hotheaded

1. reckless, wild, not rational, high-strung, angry, heated, upset, rash, hysterical, white hot

She is a **hotheaded** person who needs to be watched carefully.
2. overwrought, enkindled, madcap, agitated, spirited, kindled, impulsive, incensed, frenzied, fiery, heedless

3. worked up, flared up, straining at the bit, stirred up, **foaming at the mouth**, crazed

knuckle-headed

1. stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, a dunce, lumpish, blunt, thick

Stop being a **knuckle-headed** fool who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) meatball, **dunderheaded**, ding-bat, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

lard headed

1. being a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent
Stop being such a **lard headed** idiot who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.
2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid

3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head**, **birdbrain**

light-headed

1. feeling sick, weak, light in the head, dizzy
I have to sit down; I feel really **light-headed**.
2. (more stylistic) feeling vertiginous
3. (informal) droopy, woozy, giddy, **light-hearted**
4. bewildered, confused, muddled, hazy, thrown off balance, flustered
She is **light-headed** right now. Give her a minute or two.
5. (more stylistic) nonplused, incoherent, disarrange, dazed, distraught, delirious, confounded, perplexed, disorientated
6. (informal) foggy, aflutter babbling, baffled, **out of one's mind**, **out of one's head**, discombobulated, mixed-up
7. not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic, absurd, stolid, vacuous
She flutters around like a butterfly. She is a **light-headed** young lady.

8. (more stylistic) childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless, vapid,
9. (informal) to be dim-witted, for the birds, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, dumb, **scatterbrained**, **crackbrained**, **dunderheaded**, asinine, green, **harebrained**, slow, harebrained, **bird-brained**, half-witted, thick headed, **rattlebrained**, **muddle headed**, **thick skulled**
10. (slang to vulgar) be a dam fool, be balmy, dam-foolish

loggerheaded

1. dull, **brainless**, unthinking, not very intelligent, backwards, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool or moron

Stop being such a **loggerheaded** idiot who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) being a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, **lard headed**, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

lunkheaded

1. dull, **brainless**, unthinking, not very intelligent, backwards, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool or moron

Stop being such a **lunkheaded** idiot who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, **lard headed**, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head**, **birdbrain**

He is such a **lunkheaded** person that I'm surprised that he realized the truth.

2. (informal) **knuckle-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **featherheaded**, **muddle headed**, **addle-headed**

muddle-headed

1. jumbled, muddled, confused, foggy, mixed up, in a fog, unclear, off- balanced, in a daze, afluttered, befuddled, baffled, at a loss

I am all **muddle-headed** who does not know what he is doing.

2. (more stylized) in disarray, discomposed, hazy, disarranged, disconcert, bewildered, bemazed, disorientated, out of countenance, confounded, nonplused, unsettled
3. (informal) all balled-up, in another zone, lost at sea, off, scrambled, thrown off, fuzzy, knocked for a loop, thrown off balance, turn topsy-turvy, discombobulated, at sixes and sevens, taken aback, spaced out, in outer space, shook up, unhinged, overcome, scattered

muleheaded

1. untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, stubborn, defiant, or obstinate or not surrender

You are so **muleheaded** that even if you were losing, you would still keep fighting.

2. (more stylized) being unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined, intrepid
3. (informal) **hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, not give up despite the odds
4. (slang) being a **dog with a bone**, **headstrong**, **pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded**, not say uncle

mutton headed

1. being an idiot, dunce or moron, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

What a **mutton headed** fool! He couldn't find his way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head**, **birdbrain**

noodle-headed

1. in a void, be vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton or moron

He **is not a noodle-head** who must be led around like a moron.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine
3. (informal) being a **muddle-head**, **featherhead**, **pinhead**, **addle-head**, **loggerhead**, **meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head**, **featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded**, **fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob
5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

pea headed

1. being an idiot, dunce or moron, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

What a **pea headed** idiot! He couldn't find his way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) being a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**, boob
4. (slang) ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head**, **birdbrain**

pinheaded

1. dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot or moron

I have never met such a person; **he is a pinheaded** fool if there ever were one.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine
3. (informal) being a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, **mutton head**, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead, thickhead** or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob
5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

rattle headed

1. being a dunce, lightweight, fool, witless, to not be very intelligent, stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt, lout, giddy, silly, volatile, unsteady

Stop being a **rattle headed** idiot.

2. (more stylistic) deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile, obtuse
3. (informal) stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled, featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, being a **bonehead, addle-head, dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead, not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with**,

be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**

4. (slang) being a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goon, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *being or acting like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

sap headed

1. not very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout

He is a **sap headed** fool who does not know what he is doing.

2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, being a **bonehead**, **addle-head**, **dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead**, **not be always the brain**, be backward, in orbit, **simple-minded**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained**, **empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) being a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *being or acting like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

stupid headed

1. dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent, being a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot or moron

I have never met such a person; he is such a **stupid headed** fool that it is impossible to talk to him.

2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine
3. (informal) being a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob

swelled headed

1. conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, vain, self-centered

He has such a **swelled headed** opinion that he can't imagine that no one likes him.

2. (more stylish) haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, lordly, pompous, pretentious, egotistical

3. (informal) **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, **big-headed**, smug, full of oneself, be riding for a fall cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin or hoity-toity, **swelled-headed**, too big for one's britches
4. (slang) to be too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty, sniffy, smart-alecky
5. *(vulgar) smart-assed*

thickheaded

1. being a dunce, dope, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot, moron or lightweight, dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent
He is such a **thickheaded** young man that I'm amazed that he has survived until now.
2. (more stylistic) intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine
3. (informal) being a cretin, meatball, **muddle-head**, **featherhead**, **pinhead**, **addle-head**, **loggerhead**, **meathead**, **harebrain**, **mutton head**, bonehead, **knuckle-head**, **featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with**, **not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, **pinheaded**, beef-witted, **lunkheaded**, **fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy, **harebrained**, **featherbrained**, **featherheaded**
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob, klutz, half-wit

tow-headed

flaxen, blonde, blond, dirty blond

wooden-headed

1. lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent dull, dull-witted, slow, dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, or slow-witted

He **is a wooden-headed** fool.

2. (more stylized) unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate, bovine obtuse, unthinking, injudicious, oblivious, uncircumspect
3. (informal) to be staring in space, asleep on the job, **dead between the ears**, scatterbrain, **dead from the neck up**, thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, **pinheaded**, beef-witted, **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy, **harebrained, featherbrained, featherheaded** slow-witted, out to lunch, dim-witted, dead to the world, being a meatball, ding-bat, **dunderhead, blockhead** or **blubber head**,
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob, klutz, half-wit, , not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs

wrong-headed

1. ungovernable disobedient, difficult, stubborn, unruly or willful, uncontrollable, ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, adamant, unable or unwilling to understand

I know what she believes but I'm here to let her know that she **is wrongheaded**.

2. (more stylish) incorrigible, strong-willed implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, strong-minded, incorrigible, strong-willed, cross-grained, intransigent, wayward, vexatious, tenacious, perverse, refractory
3. (informal) mulish, **wrongheaded**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong, stiff-necked, pig-headed, hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded, headstrong, bullheaded, hard-mouthed**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong, stiff-necked, pig-headed, hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded, headstrong, single-minded**
4. (slang) dogged, cussed, bulldogged
5. *(vulgar) hard-assed*

to be a chuckle-head

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent or not the most intelligent, be a dunce, idiot or moron

Stop being such a **chuckle-headed** fool! You know that you can't find your way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled, featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed, lunkheaded** or boob

4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

to be a fatheaded

1. to be lumpish, blunt, stolid or thick

You are a **fatheaded** idiot!

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant or insipid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead** or ding-bat, be **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, being a dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull

to be a feather head

1. to be not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic, absurd, stolid or vacuous

She flutters around like a butterfly. She **is a feather head**.

2. (more stylistic) to be a childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless or vapid
3. (informal) to be dim-witted, for the birds, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, dumb,

scatterbrained, crackbrained, dunderheaded, asinine, green, **harebrained**, slow, harebrained, **bird-brained**, half-witted, thick headed, **rattlebrained, muddle headed, thick skulled**, befuddled, a **blockhead** or out of it

4. (slang to vulgar) be a dam fool, be balmy, dam-foolish

to be a loggerheaded

1. to be dull, **brainless**, unthinking, not very intelligent, backwards, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent or not the most intelligent, be a dunce, fool or moron

You **are such a loggerheaded** fool. Think. I need you to think.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded, blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed, lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, **lard headed**, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

to be a lunkheaded

1. to be dull, **brainless**, unthinking, not very intelligent, backwards, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent or not the most intelligent, be a dunce, fool or moron

Stop **being such a lunkheaded** idiot who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, **lard headed**, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

to be a mutton headed

1. to be a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop **being such a mutton headed** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or b **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the

sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or **birdbrain**

to be a pea headed

1. to be an idiot, dunce or moron, be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent or not the most intelligent

What a **pea headed** idiot!

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or **birdbrain**, be thick, blunt

to be a pinheaded

1. be dense, thick, obtuse moron, half-wit, foolish, in a void, vacant, dumb, stupid or not the most intelligent, stupid, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, or not the most intelligent, be a dunce, fool, oaf, dolt, simpleton, idiot or moron

I have never met such a person; **he is a pinheaded** fool.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, unmindful, oblivious, unreflective, incogitant, inane, insensate or bovine

3. (informal) to be a **muddle-head, featherhead, pinhead, addle-head, loggerhead, meathead**, harebrain, mutton head, bonehead, **knuckle-head, featherhead**, thickhead or **addle-head**, be thick, **pinheaded**, cloddish, **not having the brain one was born with, not having the brain one has been born with**, slow-witted, dim-witted, pinheaded, beef-witted or **lunkheaded, fatheaded**, lumpish, **knuckleheaded**, oafish, **dunderheaded**, dippy, dizzy, kooky, daffy

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, goon, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, **stupid head**, retread, numskull, nitwit, dimwit, flake, boob

5. *(vulgar) being an ass*

to be a rattle head

1. to be a dunce, lightweight, fool, witless, to not be very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout, be giddy, silly, volatile or unsteady

Stop **being such a rattle headed** idiot.

2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse

3. (informal) to be stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled, featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead, addle-head, dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head, klutz, bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead, not be always the brain, be backward, in orbit, simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained, empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**

4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a saphead

1. to not be very intelligent, be stupid, foolish, unthinking, imbecile, dull-witted, stupid, unintelligent, fool, dolt or lout

He **is a sap-headed** fool who does not know what he is doing.
2. (more stylistic) to be deficient, vacant, obdurate, dense, slow, unyielding, senseless, imbecile or obtuse
3. (informal) to be stupid, dumb, **addle-headed, addle-brained, blockish, boneheaded, dunderheaded, empty-headed, lumpish, simple-minded, dunderheaded, wooden-headed, noodle-headed, thick-skulled, featherheaded, oafish, blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, be a **bonehead, addle-head, dunderhead**, jerk, schmuck, boob, **addle-head**, klutz, **bonehead**, ninny, **dunderhead** dope, **blubber head**, nincompoop or **blockhead, not be always the brain, be backward, in orbit, simple-minded, not having the brain one has been born with**, be a mental midget, not having much upstairs, be thick-witted, witless, boorish, **bird-brained, empty-headed**, asinine, **pinheaded** or **pea brained**
4. (slang) to be a schumuck, chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt or boob, not be the sharpest knife in the draw, not the sharpest tool in the shed, dunce, goony, numskull, schmucky or retarded, not having much upstairs
5. *to be or act like an ass, to be or act like an asshole*

to be a stupid headed

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, be a dunce or a boob

Stop being such a **stupid headed** ingrate. Tell your mother how much you love her.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, simpleton, boob, half-wit, dunce or klutz, be **dunderheaded**, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, **fatheaded**, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**
4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

to be addle-headed

1. to be stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy

He **is so addle-headed** that I don't think he will ever get what I want.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless

4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull

to be an empty-headed fool

1. to be unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy

He **is such an empty-headed fool** that he never knows what he is doing.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding or obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted or witless
4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull

to be bareheaded

to be without a hat or any kind of covering

Traditionally, a woman should not enter a church if she **is bareheaded**.

to be big-headed

1. to be conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, self-admiring, vain or self-centered

I have never met a person who **is so big headed**.

2. (more stylish) to be haughty, presumptuous, disdainful, arrogant

lordly, pompous, overweening, narcissistic, vain, egotistical, overweening or pretentious

3. (informal) to be **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, be too good for the rest of us, **swell-headed**, smug, cocky, hung up on oneself, above it all, highfalutin, strutting, **have one's nose in the air**, hoity-toity, stuck on oneself, peacockish or puffed-up, **look down one's nose at**
4. (slang) to be too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty, stuck up on oneself, hung up on oneself or sniffy

to be blockheaded

1. to be stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy

Don't **be so blockheaded**. You know that he won't call.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless
4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull

to be bone-headed from the neck up

1. to be stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy

He doesn't think. He **is bone-headed from the neck up**.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding, obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless
- 4 (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull

to be bullet-headed

1. to be a person who is shrewd, tough, pitiless, harsh, unfeeling, unsympathetic, callous or unsentimental

He's such an unpopular boss because he **is such a bullet-headed** person.

2. (more stylistic) to be a person who is inured, impervious, insentient or indurate
3. (informal) to be a person who is cold, **hardhearted**, casehardened, inflexible, hardboiled, hardened, hard-bitten, **hard-nose person**, matter-of-fact, **marble hearted** or **thick-skinned**

to be bullheaded

1. to be ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, adamant, unable or unwilling to understand

He **is the most bullheaded** person that I have ever known.

2. (more stylish) implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, strong-minded, incorrigible, strong-willed, cross-grained, intransigent, wayward, vexatious, tenacious, perverse or refractory
3. (informal) to be mulish, **wrongheaded**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded**, **hard-mouthed**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong** or **single-minded**
4. (slang) to be dogged, cussed or bulldogged
5. (*vulgar*) *hard-assed*

to be clearheaded

1. to be astute, sharp, sound, stable, thoughtful, sensible, intelligent, alert, wide-awake, observant, attentive, shrewd or quick

Because she is **clearheaded**, you can not fool her.
2. (more stylistic) to be cogent, balanced, circumspect, sensible, Argus-eyed or vigilant
3. (informal) to be **lynx-eyed**, **right-minded**, **clear-eyed**, **clear-minded**, **eagle-eyed**, **hawk-eyed**, **mindful** or **level-headed**
4. to be reasonable, composed, lucid, sound, rational, clear, calm, sound of mind, collected, able to reason, balanced or of sound mind
5. (more stylistic) to be thinking, tranquil, circumspect, sober, judicious, self-possessed, comprehending, cognitive, unperturbed, unruffled or coherent

6. (informal) to be unconfused, with everything there, far sighted, **long-headed**, clear sighted, long sighted, **clear eyed** or **in one's right mind**
7. (slang) to be not all there or with all one's marbles
8. to be alert, wide-awake, observant, intent, quick on the uptake, paying attention to or on guard
9. (more stylistic) to be advertent, chary, cautious, regardful, heedful, wary, vigilant, on the qui vive or conscious
10. (informal) to be on the look out, **eyes front**, quick on the trigger, **heads up**, on the stick, **on one's toes**, nobody's fool, **one's eyes peeled**, **all eyes** or all seeing
11. to be not easily excited, composed, relaxed, calm, at ease, even-tempered, wide awake, serene, cool, unexcitable, collected, steady, unshaken, self-assured or balanced

In a moment of crisis he is excellent. He is so **clear-headed**.

12. (more stylistic) to be stoical, cogent, self-controlled, unruffled, balanced, self-possessed, unflappable, unperturbed, collected, non-chalant, poised, undemonstrative, dignified or suave
13. (informal) to be laid-back, easy-going, together, **clear headed**, together, **level headed**, at ease or cool

to be cool-headed

1. to be not easily excited, composed, relaxed, calm, at ease, even-tempered, wide awake, serene, cool, unexcitable, collected, steady, unshaken, self-assured or balanced

In a moment of crisis he is excellent. He **is so cool-headed**.

2. (more stylistic) to be stoical, cogent, self-controlled, unruffled, balanced, self-possessed, unflappable, unperturbed, collected, non-chalant, poised, undemonstrative, dignified or suave
3. (informal) to be laid-back, easy-going, together, **clear headed**, together, **level headed**, at ease, down-to-earth or cool

to be empty-headed

1. to be unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking, dense, silly, simple or dizzy

He **is empty-headed** and rather very silly.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding or obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted or witless
4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed or numskull

to be fair headed

1. to be light, white, blond, blonde, flaxen, fair-skinned

You can't miss her; she **is very fair headed**.

2. (informal) to be **light-haired**, **fair headed**, **golden haired**

to be fatheaded

1. to be lumpish, blunt, stolid, thick, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop **being so fatheaded** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or a **birdbrain**

to be fool-headed

1. to not be very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic

She flutters around like a butterfly. She is a **featherheaded** young lady.

2. (more stylistic) childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless
3. (informal) dim-witted, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, **scatterbrained**, **crackbrained**, **dunderheaded**, asinine, **harebrained**, **bird-brained**, half-witted, **rattlebrained**

to be hard-headed

1. to be ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding or adamant

He **is the most hardheaded** person that I have ever known.

2. (more stylish) implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising or refractory
3. (informal) to be mulish, **wrongheaded**, **hard-mouthed**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded** or **single-minded**

4. (slang) to be dogged, cussed or bulldogged

5. *(vulgar) hard-assed*

6. to be tough, icy, unsentimental, practical, stern, callous, case-hardened, determined, staunch, relentless or preserving

Her tears won't affect him; he **is very hard-headed**.

7. (more stylistic) to be efficient, calculating, shrewd, unsympathetic, unflagging, indurate, inured, unwavering, deliberate, wanton or uncompromising
8. (informal) to be inflexible, uncompromising, unbending, hard-line, hardcore, hard-shell, stubborn, hardboiled, **two-fisted**, stony, **thick-skinned**, **hard-hearted**, hardboiled hard as nails, rugged
9. (slang) do-or-die, hell-bent, gritty or bent on

to be headed

to have on top or be titled

The paper **was headed** "What is it to be a coward?"

to be headed by

to be lead by

The marched **was headed by** a teenage boy.

to be hotheaded

1. to be rash, headlong, foolhardy, unthinking sudden, impulsive, reckless, brash, abrupt, hot-tempered or explosive

She **is very hotheaded**; she doesn't let consequences stop her.

2. (more stylistic) to be indiscreet, volcanic, unduly, unwary, injudicious, ignitable, heedless, erratic, unbridled, unheeding, volatile, spontaneous or impetuous
3. (informal) to be unruly, hell-bent, head over heel, **breakneck** or a daredevil, **harebrained**

to be knuckle-headed

1. to be stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, be a dunce or a boob

Stop being **knuckle-headed**. You know that she can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid or stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, simpleton, boob, half-wit, dunce or klutz, be **dunderheaded**, **blockheaded**, **blubber headed**, dizzy, brainless, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-**

mind, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, **fatheaded**, half-wit, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded**

4. (slang) chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, numskull, ding-bat

to be a lard headed

1. to be a dunce or fool, stupid, dumb, backwards, unintelligent, lumpish, blunt, thick, foolish, not very intelligent, not the most intelligent

Stop **being so lard headed** who can't find her way out of a brown paper bag.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, vacuous, banal, deficient, inane, bland, obdurate, dense, incogitant, insipid, stolid
3. (informal) to be a meatball, **dunderhead**, ding-bat, **blockhead** or **blubber head**, be dizzy, brainless, dunce, stupid, dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, oafish, half-wit, **featherheaded**, **blockheaded**, thick-witted, witless, klutz, **fatheaded**, simpleton, **addle-headed**, **lunkheaded** or boob
4. (slang) to be a ninny hammer, chump, sap, harebrain, dumbbell, jerk, thick, blunt, boob, not the sharpest knife in the draw not the sharpest tool in the shed, know-nothing, numskull, ding-bat, ignoramus, **stupid head** or **birdbrain**

to be level-headed

1. to be sane, sound, thoughtful, cautious, rational, wholesome, reasonable, reflective, clear, calculating, discriminating, balanced, sound, shrewd, commonsensical or lucid

2. to be heedful, moderate, judicious, sapient, prudent, discreet, sagacious, contemplative, possessing all one's faculties, circumspect, or discerning
3. to be **clear-minded, clearheaded, right-minded** or **healthy minded**
4. to be with it, with everything there, with all one's marbles or all there
5. to not be easily excited, composed, relaxed, calm, at ease, even-tempered, wide awake, serene, cool or unexcitable

In a moment of crisis he is excellent. He **is very level-headed**.

3. (more stylistic) to be stoical, cogent, self-controlled, unruffled, balanced, self-possessed, unflappable, unperturbed, collected, non-chalant, poised, undemonstrative or undisturbed
4. (informal) to be cool, laid-back, **clear headed**, easy-going, coolheaded, together or **level headed**

to be light-headed

1. to feel sick, weak, light in the head or dizzy

I have to sit down; I am really **light-headed**.

2. (more stylistic) to feel vertiginous
3. (informal) to feel droopy, woozy, giddy or light-hearted
4. to be bewildered, confused, muddled, hazy, thrown off balance or flustered

She is **light-headed** right now. Give her a minute or two.

5. (more stylistic) to be nonplused, incoherent, disarrange, dazed, distraught, delirious, confounded, perplexed or disorientated
6. (informal) to be foggy, aflutter, babbling, baffled, out of one's mind, out of one's head, discombobulated, mixed-up
7. not very intelligent, stupid, unwise, not wise, frivolous, foolish, idiotic

She flutters around like a butterfly. She is a **light-headed** young lady.

8. (more stylistic) childish, shallow, infantile, irresponsible, inane, immature, senseless
9. (informal) to be dim-witted, **empty-headed**, dizzy, **light-headed**, **blockheaded**, dopey, **fool-headed**, moonish, **scatterbrained**, crackbrained, **dunderheaded**, asinine, **harebrained**, **bird-brained**, half-witted, **rattlebrained**

to be long-headed

1. to be intelligent, knowing, clever, bright, thoughtful, smart, sharp, intelligent, quick, anticipatory, cautious or watchful
2. (more stylistic) to be judicious, perspicacious, sagacious, acute, discreet, shrewd, prudent, perceptive, prescient or acute
3. (informal) to be far-seeing, long sighted, **clear-headed** or far-sighted

to be muddle-headed

1. to be confused, in disarray, bewildered, confused, hazy, off balance, flustered, foggy, mixed up, in a fog, unclear, off-balanced, in a daze, afluttered, befuddled, baffled, at a loss, jumbled

She **is muddle-headed** right now. Give her a minute or two.

2. (more stylistic) to be nonplused, incoherent, disarrange, dazed, distraught, confounded, perplexed, disorientated, in disarray, discomposed, hazy, disarranged, disconcert, bewildered, bemazed, disorientated, out of countenance, confounded, nonplused, unsettled
3. (informal) to be all balled-up, in another zone, lost at sea, off, scrambled, thrown off, fuzzy, knocked for a loop, thrown off balance, turn topsy-turvy, discombobulated, at sixes and sevens, taken aback, spaced out, in outer space, shook up, unhinged, overcome or scattered

to be muleheaded

1. to be untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, stubborn, defiant or obstinate or not surrender

You **are so muleheaded** that even if you were losing, you would still keep fighting.

2. (more stylized) to remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, be resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid
3. (informal) to **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, not give up despite the odds
4. (slang) to **be a dog with a bone**, be more **headstrong**, **pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, not say uncle

to be pig-headed

1. to be stubborn, ornery, obstinate, inflexible, unyielding, adamant, unable or unwilling to understand

Her tears won't affect him; he **is very pig-headed**.

2. to be obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, strong-minded, incorrigible, strong-willed, cross-grained, intransigent, wayward, vexatious, tenacious, implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, refractory or perverse
3. to be **hard-headed**, **pigheaded**, hard as a rock, **headstrong**, **bullheaded**, set in one's way, mulish, stubborn as a mule, **pigheaded**, **bullheaded**, **hard-headed**, **wrongheaded**, **hard-mouthed**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded** or **single-minded**
4. (slang) to be dogged, cussed or bulldogged
5. *(vulgar) to be hard-assed*

to be swell-headed

1. to be conceited, snobbish, proud, self-important, haughty, vain or self-centered

It is not possible to **be so swell-headed**.

2. (more stylish) to be haughty, insolent, presumptuous, assuming, disdainful, egotistical, lordly, pompous, pretentious, vain, audacious, patronizing or impertinent
3. (informal) to be **with one's nose in the air**, stuck up, **big-headed**, smug, cocky, hung up on oneself, stuffy, above it all, highfalutin or hoity-toity, peacockish or riding for a fall, **look down one's nose at**

4. (slang) to be too good for the rest, cocky, on one's high horses, high and mighty or sniffy

to be thickheaded

1. to be stubborn, obstinate, unable or unwilling to understand, unintelligent, subnormal, dull, unthinking or dense

He **is so thickheaded** that I don't think he will ever get what I want.

2. (more stylistic) to be intractable, deficient, obdurate, dense, unyielding or obtuse
3. (informal) to not be very intelligent, be a dunce, stupid or dumb, **addle-headed**, **addle-brained**, blockish, **boneheaded**, **dunderheaded**, **empty-headed**, lumpish, **simple-minded**, **dunderheaded**, **wooden-headed**, **noodle-headed**, **thick-skulled**, **featherheaded**, oafish, **blockheaded**, thick-witted or witless
4. (slang) to be a chump, sap, dumbbell, jerk, boob or numskull

to be wooden-headed

1. to be a person who is dull, dull-witted, slow, or slow-witted

He **is a wooden-headed** fool.

2. (slang) to be obtuse, **dead between the ears** or **dead from the neck up**

to be wrong-headed

1. to be ungovernable disobedient, difficult, stubborn, unruly or willful, uncontrollable, ornery, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, adamant, unable or unwilling to understand

I know what she believes but I'm here to let her know that she **is wrongheaded**.

2. (more stylish) to be incorrigible, strong-willed implacable, inexorable, intransigent, tenacious, intractable, impervious, steadfast, wayward, pertinacious, uncompromising, obstinate, stubborn, inflexible, unyielding, strong-minded, incorrigible, strong-willed, cross-grained, intransigent, wayward, vexatious, tenacious, perverse or refractory
3. (informal) to be mulish, **wrongheaded**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong**, **bullheaded**, **hard-mouthed**, set, set in one's ways, hard, **headstrong**, **stiff-necked**, **pig-headed**, **hardheaded**, hard as a rock, **muleheaded**, **headstrong** or **single-minded**
4. (slang) to be dogged, cussed or bulldogged
5. *(vulgar) hard-assed*

to feel lightheaded

1. to feel sick, weak, light in the head or dizzy
I have to sit down; I feel really **light-headed**.
2. (more stylistic) to feel vertiginous
3. (informal) to feel droopy, woozy, giddy or light-hearted

cool-headedness

1. inexcitability, sedateness, confidence self-control, coolness, self-assurance, placidity, stability, calmness, **presence of mind**, assurance, collectedness
I can do nothing but admire his **cool-headedness** in the face of so much chaos.

2. (more stylized) equanimity, aplomb, self-possession, unflappability, imperturbability, self-command, dispassion, equilibrium, staidness, equability, poise, sanity, self-restraint
3. (informal) **level headedness**, evenness
4. (French) sang-froid

level-headedness

1. assurance, collectedness, stability, calmness, **presence of mind**, self-control, coolness, self-assurance, placidity, inexcitability, sedateness, confidence, common sense

I can do nothing but admire his **level-headedness** in the face of so much chaos.

2. (more stylized) dispassion, equilibrium, staidness, equability, poise, equanimity, aplomb, self-possession, unflappability, imperturbability, rationality
3. (informal) **cool headedness**, evenness
4. (French) sang-froid

to have a cool-headedness

1. to have an inexcitability, sedateness, confidence self-control, coolness, self-assurance, placidity, stability, calmness, **presence of mind**, assurance or collectedness

He **has a cool-headedness** that leaves me stunned.

2. (more stylized) to have an equanimity, aplomb, self-possession, unflappability, imperturbability, self-command, dispassion, equilibrium, staidness, equability, poise, sanity or self-restraint

3. (informal) to have a **cool headedness** or evenness
4. (French) sang-froid

to have a level-headedness

1. to have an assurance, collectedness, stability, calmness, **presence of mind**, self-control, coolness, self-assurance, placidity, inexcitability, sedateness, confidence, common sense

This is not a good job for you. You do not **have the level-headedness necessary**.

2. (more stylized) dispassion, equilibrium, staidness, equability, poise, equanimity, aplomb, self-possession, unflappability, imperturbability, rationality
3. (informal) cool headedness, evenness
4. (French) sang-froid

to take a header

1. to stumble, fall, tumble, trip, slip

When he entered in the room, he tripped and **took a header**.

2. (more stylistic) to lose one's equilibrium, pitch forward
3. (informal) to take a spill, take a tumble, flop down, fall down, **lose one's footing**, **take a header**, flop, **fall flat on one's face**, **fall headlong**, go down
4. (slang) to fall on one's keister, do a tail over teakettle, **fall on one's behind**

5. *(vulgar) hard-assed*

headiest

foremost, supreme, first, paramount, superior, surpassing
This is of **headiest** importance.

to be the headiest

to be the most, greatest, utmost or the maximum
This is the **headiest** experience that I ever had in my life.

heading

1. title, caption, banner, streamer

He was in the **heading** of the paper.

2. section, category, class, division

Put the title 'history' in the **heading**.

3. way, direction, bearing

to be heading for a fall

to be about to fail, take a spill, plunge into a bad situation

If he does not stop drinking, he **will be heading for a fall**.

to change the heading

1. to drift, deviate, swerve, diverge, twist, turn, shift, stray, veer

2. to yaw, diverge

3. to veer off, go off course, bear off,

heady

1. intoxicating, inebriant
2. exciting, electrifying, breathtaking, overwhelming
When I was young, going to Mexico was **heady**.
3. rash, reckless, foolhardy, improvident, impulsive
4. violent, destructive, devastating, ravaging
5. clever, shrewd, crafty, astute, sharp
Watch her! She is very **heady**.

to be heady

to be exciting, intoxicating, electrifying

It **was heady** news. I still can't believe that it's over.

ahead

1. before, in the forefront, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the foreground, foremost, in the lead
He is always **ahead** of everyone. **Keep your eyes open.**
2. in the van, in the vanguard, avant-garde, predecessor
3. (informal) **dead ahead**, **headmost**

ahead of one's peers

1. before, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the lead of one's peers

She has always been **ahead of a peers**. It should not be surprising that she is the first to attain success.

2. (more stylistic) in the forefront, vanguard or in the foreground of one's peers or competitors, excelling over, eclipsing, outdistancing, surpassing, casting in the shade or transcending one's peers
3. quicker, faster, more progressive, advance or mature than one's peers, **ahead of one's time**, before one's time

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ahead of the game

1. before, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the lead of one's peers or competitors

I wouldn't even enter the race; she's already **ahead of the game**.

2. (more stylistic) in the forefront or in the foreground of one's peers or competitors, excelling over, eclipsing, outdistancing, surpassing, casting in the shade or transcending one's competitors

3. (informal) **shooting ahead, ahead of the pack**, beating, **getting ahead**, outstripping, winning, running rings around, running circles around, overshadowing, outpacing

ahead of the pack

1. before, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the lead, out in front, heading, succeeding

Being ahead of the pack has always had its own rewards.

2. (more stylistic) in the forefront or in the foreground of one's peers
3. (informal) on the top of the heap, **ahead of the game**, leading, **well heeled**
4. (slang) sitting pretty, on top of the heap, head honcho, on top of the pile
5. on the cutting edge, in the advance of, pacesetter, forerunner, spearhead, pioneer, ground breaker, leader

She will always be **ahead of the pack**.

6. (more stylistic) foregoer, in the vanguard, vaunt-courier, in the forefront, precursor, avant-courier, advance guard, innovator
7. (informal) trailblazer, trendsetter, mover, spark, pathfinder, new blood, paver of the way, ahead of the game

charging ahead

1. **shoving ahead, pushing ahead**, rushing, storming, quickly moving forward, **rushing ahead**, hurrying ahead, dash forward, **dashing ahead, drive ahead**, rushing in advance, **lurching ahead, dashing ahead, moving quickly ahead**, hurrying forward,

hurrying in advance, **storming ahead**, storming in advance, storming forward

2. (more stylized) besieging forward, sieging forward, thrusting forward, hastening onward, pressing on, **catapulting ahead**, flinging forward, **pressing ahead**, pressing onward, take wing, **scouring ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scouring past one's competitors, dashing onward, catapulting onward, heaving on, **speeding ahead**, catapulting forward, propelling onward, **thrusting ahead**, hurling forward, **hurling ahead**, speeding onward, hurling onward, heaving forward, **propelling ahead**, speeding forward
3. (informal) **scurrying ahead**, looking alive, losing no time, going like a shot, hotfooting it, **shooting ahead**, hustling onward, hustling, **sprinting ahead**, outstripping the wind, **whipping ahead**, zooming onward, whipping onward, **speeding ahead**, **bustling ahead**, **running ahead**, doing some tall stepping, speeding up, stepping on it, **zipping ahead**, sprinting forward, scurrying forward, bustling onward, losing no time, flying on the wing of the wing, **whipping ahead**, **spurting ahead**, stepping on the gas, spurting forward, **tearing ahead**
4. getting one's rear in gear, moving on out, getting cracking, burning rubber

go-ahead

1. affirmation, leave, approval, license, agreement, endorsement
compliance, permission, formal approval

Let go. I got the **go-ahead**.
2. (more stylized) approbation, accordance, concession, authorization, sanction, consent, permit, accord, compliance, official sanction, concurrence, acquiescence, validation
3. (informal) the word, backing, nod, green light, O.K., the nod of approval, carte blanche

time ahead

1. future, tomorrow
2. (more stylistic) eventuality, time to come, coming time,
3. (informal) down the pike, offing, down the road,

to amble a few steps ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **amble a few steps ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

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to barge ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

You will not win if you do not **barge ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge ahead**, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**

4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to barge on ahead

1. to make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**, quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward

You have no right to **barge on ahead** of everyone in the line.

2. (more stylistic) to press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead** plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**

3. to hurry ahead, hurry, **jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead, press ahead, shove ahead, barrel ahead, zip ahead, push ahead, drive ahead, bulldoze on ahead, push on ahead**

4. (slang) to get cracking, stir up a duststorm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead roar right ahead, butt ahead, butt right ahead, zip right ahead, chuck ahead, chuck on ahead, butt on ahead, barrel right ahead, barge ahead**

to barrel ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead, push ahead**, to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through dash, **dash ahead, drive ahead**

He **barreled ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste

3. (informal) to rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, **fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead**, hurry ahead, hurry, **jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a duststorm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on**

ahead, barrel on ahead, feet, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

to barrel on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead, push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, drive ahead**

He **barreled on ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste

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to be ahead of

1. to be advance of, be in a winning or privileged situation or position, be superior to, be beyond, go before, front
Intellectually, she **is ahead of** everyone. There's no question about it.
2. to antecede, be in earlier than, in front of, before or in advance of, be a precursor, antecessor, forerunner, predecessor, or avant-gardist, out distant, precede, excel

He is going to win the race; he **is ahead of** everyone.

3. (informal) to **head**, outstrip, outdo, beating or winning out, go one better, throw in the shadow, **shoot ahead**, leave in the dust, be head and shoulders above, come out first, show up, **leave standing flatfooted**

to be ahead of one's peers

1. to lead, be before, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of or in the lead of one's peers, eclipse, lead the way, come or go first

She has always been **ahead of a peers**. It should not be surprising that she is the first to attain success.

2. (more stylistic) to take precedence over, be in the forefront, vanguard or in the foreground of one's peers, excel over, eclipse, outdistance, surpass, cast in the shade or transcend one's peers, excel, prevail over, precede
3. (informal) to take the lead, be quicker, faster, more progressive, advance or mature than one's peers, get the better of, stand out in the crowd, **be ahead of one's time**, be before one's time, **head up**, lead the pack, **have an upper hand**, outdistant, outstrip, throw in the shadows, **be ahead**

to be ahead of one's time

1. to be a pioneer, come first, be before, go in advance, be first, in front of, toward the front of or forward, go first, run in front of, be in the front of, in advance of or in the lead of one's times, **be ahead of one's peers**

I am not surprised that he was able to create the next generation of the internet; he has always **been ahead of his time**.

2. (more stylistic) to be a forerunner, in the forefront, vanguard or in the foreground of one's peers, herald, be a harbinger, predecessor,

avant-courier, antecessor, prophet, precursor or front runner, excel over, outdistance, surpass, cast in the shade or transcend one's peers or one's time, foresee

3. to be a trailblazer or trailbreaker, be at the head of one's time, **be ahead of one's time**, be before one's time, be a lead runner, see the handwriting on the wall, be a pathfinder or paver of the way

to be ahead of the game

1. to trump, be in advance of or in the lead of one's competitors before, first or in front of, tower above one's time or one's peers, pass, outpace, be toward the front of, forward or in the front of, outdistance, hold advantage over,

I wouldn't even enter the race; she's already **ahead of the game**.

2. (more stylistic) to take precedence over, be in the forefront, vanguard or in the foreground of one's peers or competitors, excel over, eclipse, outdistance, surpass, cast in the shade or transcend one's competitors, prevail over, hold advantage over, be in a superior position to, take the crown
3. (informal) to beat, leave in the dust, beat be quicker, faster, more progressive, advance or mature than one's competitors, win over, be a cut above, **be ahead of one's time**, be before one's time, leave one's peers behind, get the better of, overtrump, out triumph, take the prize, lead the pack, outshine

to be ahead of the pack

1. to overshadow, tower above or be in a superior position to one's peers, be before, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, in the lead or out in front of everyone else, dominate, be a cut above of one's peers

Being ahead of the pack has always had its own rewards.

2. (more stylistic) to win out over, prevail over, be in the forefront or in the foreground of one's peers, eclipse, go beyond, outflank, minimize, excel or take precedence over one's peers, surpass, transcend, outperform
3. (informal) to shoot ahead of , be head and shoulders above, be on the top of the heap, lead the pack, **ahead of the game**, leading, on top or **well heeled**, be on top, overtrump, outweigh, be quicker, faster, more progressive, advance or mature than one's competitors, win over, be a cut above, **be ahead of one's time**, get the jump on, stand above the crowd
4. (slang) to be sitting pretty, on top of the heap, **head honcho** or on top of the pile
5. to be on the cutting edge or in the advance of, be the pacesetter, forerunner, **spearhead**, pioneer, ground breaker or leader

She will always be **ahead of the pack**.
6. (more stylistic) to be in the vanguard or in the forefront, be the vaunt-courier, precursor, avant-courier, advance guard, innovator or foregoer
7. (informal) to be a trailblazer, trendsetter, mover, spark, pathfinder, new blood, pioneer or paver of the way, **be ahead of the game**

to butt ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

You will not win if you do not **barge on ahead** of everyone.
2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge**

ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to be born ahead of one's time

1. to be progressive, aware, shrewd, astute, be before, first, in front of, toward the front of, forward, in the front of, in advance of, take the lead, in the lead or out in front of everyone else, **be ahead of**, be beyond, out in front of, have a jump on, surpass, lead the pack
2. (more stylistic) to be a forerunner, in the vanguard or in the avant-garde, forward moving or going, enlightened, insightful, intuitive, sensitive, discerning or perceptive, have precedence over, prevail over
3. (informal) to outdistance, **be ahead of one's time**, **ahead of the pack**, born before one's time, on the ball, be quicker, faster, more progressive, advance or mature than one's competitors, win over, be a cut above, stand above the crowd, come out on top, outpace

to be dead ahead

to be straight, totally, completely or directly ahead or in front of

You can't miss it; the post office **is dead ahead**.

to bear ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front, force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

You have no other choice but to **bear ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge ahead**, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, **elbow one's way onward**, advance forward, **shoulder one's way forward**, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to bulldoze ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**
He is always **bulldozing ahead** of anyone in his way.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead, press forward, press ahead, race forward, race ahead, gallop ahead, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste**

3. (informal) to rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead, push forward, lose no time to get head, spearhead, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, hurry ahead, hurry, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, shake a leg, be hell-bent for leather, zip ahead, get cracking, stir up a duststorm, barrel ahead, zip, go lickety-split, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet, go like a shot, bulldoze, bulldoze ahead**

to bulldoze on ahead

1. to **push ahead, dash, dash ahead, quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, lurch ahead, hurry, shove ahead, drive ahead**

He **bulldozed on ahead** of his opponent and won.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead, scurry ahead, press forward, press ahead, race forward plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, hasten forward, go in haste, race ahead, gallop ahead, gallop forward**

3. (informal) to **shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, hurry ahead, hurry, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, push ahead, push forward, lose no time to get head, spearhead, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead, scurry on ahead, rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead**

4. (slang) to **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, zip, go lickety-split , **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, **bulldoze ahead**

to burst ahead

1. to shove through, drive through, charge to the front, force through, ram through, ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, **burst ahead**, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through

The horse **burst ahead** of everyone and galloped to the finish line.

2. (more stylistic) to drive onward, push forward, burst onward, advance forward, **shoulder one's way forward**, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward, bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, **plunge ahead**, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, **elbow one's way onward**, issue forth
3. (informal) to surge forward, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **elbow one's way through**, **shoulder one's way through**, **shoulder one's way ahead**, **bulldoze ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **pour ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **surge ahead**, **charge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, gush forward, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **gush ahead**, pour forth, pour onward
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**,

to butt ahead

1. to make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

He is always **butting ahead** of everyone; therefore, he has made a lot of enemies.

2. (more stylistic) to thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, **shoulder one's way forward**, bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge ahead**, press forward, **thrust ahead**
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to butt on ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel

through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

She won because she successfully **butted on ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge ahead**, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to catapult ahead

1. to storm in advance, **move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storming ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, quickly moving forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, **dash ahead**, storm forward

She is always **catapulting ahead** of everyone and leaving them behind.

2. (more stylized) , **hurl ahead**, speed onward, hurl onward, heave forward, **propel ahead**, speed forward, besiege forward, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on, **speed ahead**, catapult forward, propel

onward, siege forward, thrust forward, hasten onward, press on, **catapult ahead**, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, **scour ahead**, **thrust ahead**, hurl forward

3. (informal) to **scurry ahead**, look alive, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead**, **bustle ahead**, **run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, hustle, **sprint ahead**, outstrip the wind, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing of the wing, **whip ahead**, **spurting ahead**, step on the gas, spurt forward, **tear ahead**
4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber

to catapult on ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, quickly moving forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storm ahead**, storm in advance, storm forward
She **charged on ahead** of everyone in her class and became the first CEO under twenty-one years old.
2. (more stylized) to besiege forward, siege forward, thrust forward, hasten onward, press on, **catapult ahead**, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, **scour ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on, **speed ahead**, catapult forward, propel onward, **thrust ahead**, hurl forward, **hurl ahead**, speed onward, hurl onward, heave forward, **propel ahead**, speed forward, **forge ahead**
3. (informal) to **scurry ahead**, look alive, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, hustle, **sprint ahead**, outstrip the wind, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead**, **bustle ahead**, **run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing of the wing, **whip ahead**, **spurting ahead**, step on the gas, spurt forward, **tear ahead**

4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber

to charge ahead

1. to **move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storming ahead**, storm in advance, storm forward, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, quickly moving forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, **dash ahead**

She is always **charging ahead** of everyone; therefore, don't worry about her. She'll always land on her feet.

2. (more stylized) to siege forward, thrust forward, hasten onward, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on, **propel ahead**, speed forward, press on, **catapult ahead**, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, **scour ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, besiege forward, **speed ahead**, catapult forward, propel onward, **thrust ahead**, hurl forward, **hurl ahead**, speed onward, hurl onward, heave forward,
3. (informal) to outstrip the wind, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead**, **bustle ahead**, **run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, , step on the gas, spurt forward, **tear ahead** step on it, **zip ahead**, **scurry ahead**, look alive, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, huste, **sprint ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing of the wing, **whip ahead**, **spurting ahead**
4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber
5. to be unyielding, undaunted, tireless or defiant or not surrender, be untiring or persistent, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward continue on one's path despite everything, confront or stand up to without fear or doubt,

No matter what happens, we must continue **charging ahead** and believe in ourselves.

6. (more stylized) to be **forge ahead**, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, unyielding, tenacious, hold fast, **forge on ahead**, remain unwavering, resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute or unswerving,
7. (informal) to **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, **push ahead**, not give up despite the odds, stick it out, **press ahead**, stick to one's gun, carry on, not give up the ship, **move ahead**, hold one's ground, plod along, keep going, see through, press on, brook no denial
8. (slang) to not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead**, be more **headstrong**, **pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, **be a dog with a bone**

to charge on ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, quickly moving forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storm ahead**, storm in advance, storm forward

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3. (informal) **scurry ahead**, look alive, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, hustle, **sprint ahead**, outstrip the wind, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead**, **bustle ahead**, **run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up,

step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing, **whip ahead**, **spurting ahead**, step on the gas, spurt forward, **tear ahead**

4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber
5. to confront or stand up to without fear or doubt, be untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, defiant or not surrender, continue on one's path despite everything, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward

No matter what happens, we must continue **forging on ahead** and believe in ourselves.

6. (more stylized) to remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, be resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, be unyielding, tenacious, hold fast, **forge ahead**, **forge on ahead**
7. (informal) to stick to one's gun, **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, brook no denial, **push ahead**, not give up despite the odds, stick it out, **press ahead**, carry on, not give up the ship, **move ahead**, hold one's ground, plod along, keep going, see through, press on
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to continue ahead

1. to continue outperforming, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**, outrival, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position, **continue ahead**, keep oneself in an advanced position keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position

Work as hard as you can so that you can **continue ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylized) to remain in an up front or winning position, sustain oneself in a winning position, remain outdistancing, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, persist in a forward position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, **remain ahead**, maintain outstripping or outranking
3. (informal) to continue running ring around, remain outshining, not fall back, **stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, **stay ahead of the game**, not lose ground, keep outshining, continue running circles around, **remain ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, not lag or get behind, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, outstripping, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, **get ahead and stay there**

to continue ahead of the competition

1. to keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**, continue outperforming, outrival, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position

My problem is that I have never been able to **continue ahead of the competition**. I was always falling behind.

2. (more stylized) to remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position

3. (informal) to **stay ahead of the game, get ahead and stay there, stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, keep outshining, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, outstripping, continue running rings around, remain outshining, not fall back, continue running circles around, not lose ground, **remain ahead of the game**, not lag or get behind

to crawl ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line while on one's knees, move slowly to the front or inch along while on one's knees, **pull oneself along and ahead**

Although he barely made it, he did manage to **crawl ahead** of his opponents.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead** on one's knees
3. (informal) to while on one's knees **slowly push ahead**, push on ahead, **get ahead, move ahead**, creep ahead, creep on ahead, **make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along or **dodder ahead, crawl ahead on all four, go ahead at a snail's pace, move ahead at a snail's pace, dodder on ahead, tetter on ahead** or **forge on ahead** on one's knees

to crawl on ahead

1. to move slowly to the front or inch along while on one's knees, **pull oneself along and ahead**, slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line while on one's knees

Although he barely made it, he did manage to **crawl on ahead** of his opponents.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead** on one's knees

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to crawl ahead on all four

1. to move slowly to the front or inch along while on one's knees, **pull oneself along and ahead**, slowly move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, slowly and steadily make progress
It had not been easy because of his easy but he was so determined that he **crawled ahead on all fours**. No one was going to stop him!

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, **forge ahead** or move onward on one's knees, **move ahead unsteadily**, little by little make strides, forge forward, **march ahead** on one's knees

3. (informal) to **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along or **dodder ahead** on one's knees, **crawl ahead on all four**, **go ahead at a snail's pace**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along, **hobble on ahead**, while on one's knees **slowly push on ahead**, **get on ahead**, **move on ahead**, **creep on ahead**, **go on ahead**, move along slowly, **crawl on ahead**, **stagger on ahead**, **tetter on ahead** or **dodder on ahead** on one's knees, while on one's knees **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **creep ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**

to crawl on ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line while on one's knees, move slowly to the front or inch along while on one's knees, **pull oneself along and ahead**

He **crawl on ahead** and kept on going.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead** on one's knees
3. (informal) to **tetter ahead**, dodder along or **dodder ahead** on one's knees, **crawl ahead on all four**, **go ahead at a snail's pace**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**, **get on ahead**, while on one's knees **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **creep ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **move on ahead**, **creep on ahead**, **go on ahead crawl on ahead**, **stagger on ahead**, **tetter on ahead** or **dodder on ahead** on one's knees, **hobble on ahead**, while on one's knees **slowly push on ahead**

to creep ahead

1. to slowly, slyly, quietly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, move slowly to the front or inch along, **pull oneself along and ahead in an underhanded manner**

I don't trust him; he **creeps ahead** like a snake.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along,

stagger ahead, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**, **crawl on ahead**, **stagger on ahead**, **tetter on ahead**, **dodder on ahead**, **hobble on ahead**, **slowly push on ahead**, **get on ahead**, **move on ahead**, **creep on ahead**, **go on ahead**

to creep on ahead

1. to move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, slowly, slyly, quietly and steadily make progress, **pull oneself along and ahead in an underhanded manner** move slowly to the front or inch along

I don't trust him; he **creeps on ahead** like a snake.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**, **crawl on ahead**, **stagger on ahead**, **tetter on ahead**, **dodder on ahead**, **hobble on ahead**, **slowly push on ahead**, **get on ahead**, **move on ahead**, **creep on ahead**, **go on ahead**

to dash ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

Get out of line; you can not **dash ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste

3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, **bulldoze on ahead**, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

to dash on ahead

1. to rush in advance, hurry, quickly move forward, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**

People do not like her because she is always **dashing on ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, go in haste

3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, **lose no time to get head**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**

4. (slang) to **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split,

put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

to dodder ahead

1. to **stagger ahead**, crawl, hobble, totter, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, stagger along, move slowly, teeter, dodder slowly and steadily make progress
What I remember most about my grandmother was her doddering ahead of all the other members of the family.
2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet, crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **stagger on ahead, tetter on ahead, dodder on ahead**, move along slowly, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder on ahead, slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead, creep ahead, make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, gain ground, hobble along, **hobble on ahead, crawl on ahead**

to dodder on ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, stagger along, stagger ahead, crawl, hobble, totter, move slowly, teeter, dodder

Although she can barely walk, she's always **doddering on ahead** of everyone. She does not want anyone to pity her.
2. (more stylistic) to **forge ahead**, move onward, slowly advance or proceed, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**, little by little make strides, forge forward
3. (informal) to teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead, creep ahead, make**

headway, go ahead or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet, crawl ahead, stagger ahead, dodder on ahead, hobble on ahead, crawl on ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger on ahead, totter on ahead, dodder on ahead**, gain ground, hobble along, totter

to edge ahead

1. to move forward or go to the front of the line, crawl, hobble, slowly and steadily make progress, move on, totter or move slowly forward
It took a number of laps but eventually I was able to **edge ahead** of the other drivers.
2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance, proceed, make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead, make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along, gain ground, **drag one's feet, slowly push on ahead, get on ahead, move one ahead, inch ahead, go on ahead**
4. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or continue all obstacles, succeed, rise
I have been able to **inch ahead** of everyone else to become the richest person in America.
5. (more stylistic) to attain success, fare well
6. (informal) to push forward, come up in the world, get on, gain ground, **push ahead**, edge along, make it to first base, get to first base, get along, **inch ahead, get ahead**, go up in the world, luck out, rise in the world, **push on ahead, edge ahead, edge on ahead, inch on ahead, get on ahead**

to edge on ahead

1. to crawl, hobble, totter or move slowly forward, slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line

It took a number of laps but she has finally been able to **edge on ahead** of her competition. Now, she should have no problem in winning.

2. (more stylistic) to forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward or **march ahead**, slowly advance, proceed, make strides
3. (informal) to **get on ahead**, **move one ahead**, **inch ahead**, **go on ahead**, **slowly push on ahead**, gain ground, **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along, **drag one's feet**
4. to move forward or continue all obstacles, succeed, rise slowly and steadily make progress, move of
It did not take as long as he thought so that he could **edge on ahead** to become the most powerful man on the planet.
5. (more stylistic) to slowly and steadily attain success or fare well
6. (informal) to rise in the world, push forward, edge along, make it to first base, get to first base, get along, **inch ahead**, **get ahead**, come up in the world, get on, gain ground, **push ahead**, go up in the world, luck out, **push on ahead**, **edge ahead**, **edge on ahead**, **inch on ahead**, **get on ahead**

to elbow one's way ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

She wanted to get through; therefore, she **elbowed her way ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge**

ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, **elbow one's way straight ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to fly ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead** quickly move forward, hurry, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, rush, rush in advance

You can **fly ahead** and I'll meet you in Madrid.

2. (more stylistic) to hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, plow in front of, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, lose no time going forward, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward

4. (slang) to get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

to fly on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He took an earlier flight and **flew on ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**
4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

to forge ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, quickly moving forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash**

ahead, drive ahead, rush in advance, **lurch ahead, dash ahead, move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storming ahead**, storm in advance, storm forward
Although she was so tired that she felt she could drop, she kept **forging ahead**.

2. (more stylized) besiege forward, siege forward, thrust forward, hasten onward, press on, **catapult ahead**, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, **scour ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on, **speed ahead**, catapult forward, propel onward, **thrust ahead**, hurl forward, **hurl ahead**, speed onward, hurl onward, heave forward, **propel ahead**, speed forward
3. (informal) **scurry ahead**, look alive, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, hustle, **sprint ahead**, outstrip the wind, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead, bustle ahead, run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing of the wing, **whip ahead, spurting ahead**, step on the gas, spurt forward, **tear ahead**
4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber

to forge on ahead

1. to **dash on ahead, move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storm ahead**, storm in advance, **shove ahead, push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, be quickly moving forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead, drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, storm forward

My father taught me to keep **forging on ahead** and not to let anyone stop me.

2. (more stylized) to **scour ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on, **speed ahead**, catapult forward, propel onward, **thrust ahead**, hurl forward, **hurl ahead**, besiege forward, siege forward, thrust forward, hasten onward, press on, **catapult ahead**,

- heave forward, **propel ahead**, speed forward, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, speed onward, hurl onward
3. (informal) to lose no time, fly on the wing of the wing, **whip ahead**, **spurting ahead**, step on the gas, outstrip the wind, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead**, **bustle ahead**, **run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, spurt forward, **tear ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scurry ahead**, look alive, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, hustle
 4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber

to gallop ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

Our horses are always **galloping ahead** and than slowing down just before they arrive to the finish line.
2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead**, **gallop ahead**
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, scoot forward, **scamper ahead**, **scamper on ahead**
4. (slang) to **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, hop to it **put one's foot on the floor**, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **hotfoot it**, high tail,

high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather

to gallop on ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead** quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**

The horse **galloped on ahead** of the competition and, as a result, won his owner millions of dollars.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **shoot ahead**, **fly ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, scoot forward, **scamper ahead**, **scamper on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **rush headlong**, **tear on ahead**, blaze the trail, **tear ahead**
4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, hop to it

to get ahead

1. to progress, do well, go up in the world, **get ahead**, outrival, **move ahead**, outrun, be in an advanced or forward position, put oneself in a forward position, put oneself in a superior position, advance, make one's fortune, grow rich, be well-to-do

When I was a young single mother, it was almost impossible for me to **get ahead**.

2. (more stylized) to realize, make rapid strides, successfully realize one's fortune, fulfill, thrive, accomplish, flourish, achieve, bring to a successful end, attain one's fortune, proceed forward, increase one's standing in the world, rise above one's standing, fare well, reach one's goal, become wealthy, become well-to-do, become prosperous, make one's fortune, succeed in, make strides attain, fare well, go forward, move forward, be crowned with success, **work oneself toward the head of the class**
3. (informal) to **forge ahead**, get the better of one's opponents, gain ground, get out in front, push forward, pull off, **move ahead**, make it, rise up in the world, bring off, finally get ahead of the game, make headway, get on, **go ahead**, go out in front, beat out one's competition, **move toward the head of the class**
4. (slang) to pull off, make happen, make good, go up in the world, make one's pile, get to the top of the heap, get to enjoy the good life, get a taste of the milk and honey

to get ahead in the world

1. to outperform, eclipse, place oneself in a forward position, overtake one's competition, **get ahead**, outrival, **move ahead**, outrun, be in an advanced or forward position, put oneself in a forward position, put oneself in a superior position, work hard and succeed, succeed, take the lead

Class and race in many countries have successfully prevented one from **getting ahead in the world**.

2. (more stylized) to increase one's material standing, move onward, thrive, go up in the world, advance, proceed forward, increase one's standing in the world, rise above one's standing, fare well, become wealthy, become well-to-do, become prosperous, make one's fortune, rise above one's class, be well-off, successfully enrich oneself

3. (informal) to **make headway, get ahead**, make good, now live off the fat of the land, push forward, gain ground, go forward, forge ahead, have one's ship finally come in, make progress, rise above one's rank, make one's fortune, become well-heeled, **move ahead**
4. (slang) to make one's pile, live the life of Riley, become moneyed, make beaucoup money, have all the gravy, now have the bucks, move up to easy street, be in fat city, get a taste of the good life

to give the go ahead

1. to give leave to, allow, enable, agree to, let, permit, give permission

He **gave the go ahead**; therefore the work will begin tomorrow.
2. (more stylized) to approve, empower, enable, sanction, authorize, give one's assent, sanction, consent to, grant, countenance, facilitate
3. (informal) to O.K., give the green light, give one enough rope, give carte blanche, give one's nod of approval

to go ahead

1. to precede, initiate, pioneer, take the first step, take the front position, take the lead, go in advance, lead the way, go forward
You **go ahead** and we'll talk later.
2. (more stylistic) to be a predecessor, pathfinder, precursor, forerunner, harbinger, vanguard or foregoer, lay the foundation, antecede, be foregoing, precocious, preceding or precedent, precede, make preparations, lay the first stone
3. to be a a trailblazer break the ice, go in front, break ground, be ahead, smooth the path, smooth the road, break the ice, break ground, lead off, take the lead, lead the way, lead off go before, lay the first stone, go first, **dash ahead**, lead off, **stand at the head, spearhead**

to go full steam ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**
He **went full steam ahead** and, as a result, beat everyone.
2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **run ahead**, hurry, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**
4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **streak ahead** stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, go like gang busters

to go on ahead

1. to come before, initiate, pioneer, take the first step, take the front position, take the lead, go in advance, lead the way, go forward, go before, lead

He **went on ahead** of everyone.
2. (more stylistic) to antecede, precede, go in advance, go forward, be in the forefront
3. (informal) to head up, head, go ahead, go ahead of the rest or of everyone, go first, come first

to go ahead at a snail's pace

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, move slowly to the front or inch along, **pull oneself along and ahead**

Yes, he's making progress but he's going ahead at a snail's pace.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**

to give the go ahead

1. to let, submit to, permit, agree to, accede to, allow, approve, give one's assent, give leave to, authorize, approve of, yield

We can continue. The director **gave the go ahead** late last night.

2. (more stylized) to sanction, approbate, empower, consent, grant, countenance, capacitate, condescend to grant, ratify, vouchsafe, enable, assent, assent to
3. (informal) to give the green light, O.K., give the nod of approval, give carte blanche

to hasten ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

She **hastened ahead** of the man and ran out of the room, crying.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, dart forward, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to **push ahead**, push forward, **dash ahead**, scoot forward, **scamper ahead**, scoot forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **step ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **scoot ahead**, lose no time going forward, **race ahead**
4. (slang) to **bulldoze on ahead**, double-time, scoot forward, **scamper ahead**, **scamper on ahead**, **shake a leg**, hop to it, **zip ahead**, **whiz ahead**, **rip ahead**, get one's rear in gear, **bulldoze**, **bulldoze ahead**, **hustle ahead**, rip forward, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, step lively, lead the way

to hasten on ahead

1. to go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance

She **hastened on ahead** so that she would arrive before her mother.

2. (more stylistic) to whisk onward, **gallop ahead**, dart forward, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**, gallop or scramble forward, scurry forward, press to the front, race to an advanced position, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**
3. (informal) to **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **step ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scoot ahead**, lose no time going forward, **race ahead**, **dash ahead**, scoot forward, **scamper ahead**, scoot forward, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scramble on ahead**

4. (slang) to **whiz ahead**, **rip ahead**, get one's rear in gear, hustle ahead, rip forward, **shake a leg**, hop to it, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead** rip, **whiz ahead**, **zip ahead**, step lively, lead the way, **bulldoze**, **bulldoze ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, double-time, scoot forward, **scamper ahead**, **scamper on ahead**

to hobble ahead

1. to stagger along, stagger ahead, move slowly forward or slowly go to the front of the line, crawl, hobble, totter or move slowly forward, teeter, dodder, slowly and steadily make progress, slowly move on

The wounded soldier **hobbled ahead** of his companions.

2. (more stylistic) to **move ahead unsteadily**, slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, or **march ahead**, move onward, **forge ahead**
3. (informal) to teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, totter along, **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **creep ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead**, **drag one's feet**, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble on ahead**, inch along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, take the lead

to hobble on ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, stagger along, stagger ahead, crawl, hobble, totter, move slowly, teeter, dodder

Although he was badly hurt, the player **hobbled on ahead** of team to catch the ball.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**

3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet, crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**

to hurry ahead

1. to **shove ahead, push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, drive ahead** quickly move forward, rush, **lurch ahead**, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead, rush on ahead**

I'll meet you there; I have to **hurry ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, jostle in front of, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste, **jostle ahead**
3. (informal) to **hurry ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, scoot forward, **scamper ahead, scamper on ahead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead, rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead, move on ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead**
4. (slang) to **whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, bulldoze ahead**, hop to it, **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**,

to hurry on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead, lurch ahead, shove ahead, push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, drive ahead**

I can't wait for you; I have to **hurry on ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, hurry ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, scoot forward, **scamper ahead, scamper on ahead**
4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead, zip, go lickety-split, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, hop to it

to hurtle ahead

1. to **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, drive ahead, shove ahead**, quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead, lurch ahead**

He **hurtled ahead** and won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to **jostle ahead, whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, jostle in front of, hasten forward, go in haste

3. (informal) to show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **hurtle on ahead**, **jostle on ahead** **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way

4. (slang) to be hell-bent for leather, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, **bulldoze ahead** **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, **zip ahead**, get cracking

to hurtle on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He **hurtled on ahead** and won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead**, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste

3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **hurtle on ahead**, **jostle on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent

for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

inch ahead

1. to crawl slowly forward, to totter onward, slowly and steadily make progress, hobble little by little to the front, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, crawl onward, hobble forward, totter to the front, advance oneself by moving slowly forward

She pulled herself forward to **inch ahead** of the man who was pursuing her.

2. (more stylistic) to **march ahead** slowly advance, proceed little by little, make strides slowly and gradually, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward slowly, move slowly to an advanced position

3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, **slowly push on ahead**, **get on ahead**, **move one ahead**, **inch ahead**, **plod ahead**, **go on ahead slowly**, inch along, **push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead**, take the lead, gain ground, move along

4. to confront and keep moving without fear or doubt, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, defiant or not surrender, continue on one's path despite everything, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward, slowly make progress, **forge ahead** move on, move forward or proceed despite all obstacles

I have been able to **push on ahead**, even though half the population is in opposition.

5. (more stylized) to be unyielding, tenacious, hold fast, **forge ahead**, **forge on ahead**, be resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition

6. (informal) to hold one's ground, plod along, keep going, see through, press on, push forward, **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, stick to one's gun, brook no denial, **push ahead**, not give up despite the odds, stick it out, **press ahead**, carry on, not give up the ship, **move ahead**
7. (slang) to not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead be a dog with a bone**, be more **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, be more cussed, **headstrong**, **pigheaded** or bulldogged

inch on ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, crawl, hobble, totter or move slowly forward
It took a number of laps but eventually I was able to **inch on ahead** of the other drivers.
2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance, proceed, make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along, gain ground, **drag one's feet**, **slowly push on ahead**, **get on ahead**, **move one ahead**, **inch ahead**, **go on ahead**
4. to slowly make progress, **forge ahead** move on, move forward or proceed despite all obstacles, confront and keep moving without fear or doubt, be untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, defiant or not surrender, continue on one's path despite everything, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward

I have been able to **inch on ahead**, even though half the population is in opposition.

5. (more stylized) to remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, be resolved,

adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, be unyielding, tenacious, hold fast, **forge ahead, forge on ahead**

6. (informal) to stick to one's gun, **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, brook no denial, **push ahead**, not give up despite the odds, stick it out, **press ahead**, carry on, not give up the ship, **move ahead**, hold one's ground, plod along, keep going, see through, press on, push forward
7. (slang) to **be a dog with a bone**, be more **headstrong, pigheaded, bulldogged, cussed, bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead**

to jostle ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, shove forward, push forward, advance by shoving or pushing, **push ahead**, dash, drive toward the front, drive forward, drive onward, **dash ahead**, dash forward, rush forward, **drive ahead**, quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **rush ahead, lurch ahead**, lurch forward
He **jostled ahead** of everyone waiting and went to the head of the line.
2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead, whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, hurry ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, hurtle on ahead, jostle on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

to jostle on ahead

1. to **dash ahead**, dash forward, rush forward, **drive ahead**, quickly move forward, rush onward, rush in advance, hurry toward the front, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, lurch forward, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash toward the front, **jostle ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **drive on ahead**

He **jostled on ahead** of everyone waiting and went to the head of the line.

2. (more stylistic) to **jostle ahead**, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, catapult forward, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, jostle in front of, **catapult ahead**, hurtle forward, hurtle to an advanced position
3. (informal) to **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **lose no time to get head**, **gallop on ahead**, **hurtle on ahead**, **jostle on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward
4. (slang) to get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**

to jump ahead

1. to go in front of, go before, **move ahead of**, move in front of, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, unfairly put oneself in a forward position, forcefully put oneself in the lead, shove or push one's way into going first, get in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead** or **hurry ahead** to get in front of or ahead of

You can't **jump ahead** of everyone in the line.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead**, bound forward, **scurry ahead**, leap forward, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, bound before, gallop forward, hasten forward, **bound ahead**, spring in front of, leap in front of
3. (informal) to **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **lose no time to get ahead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **jump ahead of the line**, **jump ahead in the line**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **leap on ahead**, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **leap ahead**, **dash ahead**, **dash on ahead**

to jump ahead in line

1. to get in front of everyone in line, get an unfair start, have an unfair edge on, have an unfair start
It's not fair that you **jump ahead in line**. Others have been waiting for a longer time
2. (more stylistic) to unfairly move ahead or forward, hurdle to the front of the line, undeservedly and unjustly surpass, outdistance, **vault ahead** or **move to the head of the line**, **jostle**, **ram** or **shove oneself to the head of the line**
3. (informal) to leap over, jump the line, **get ahead of**, get a jump on, push ones way in, **get ahead of**, pass over, sail over, jump over, **pass ahead**, **sail ahead**, go before, start before, begin before, leap ahead in line, **skip ahead**, steal a march on, **leap ahead of the line**, have an edge on, get an edge on, get a headstart on, overleap

4. to leap frog, get the drop on, overjump, **pop ahead of**, overleap

to jump ahead of the line

1. to get an unfair start, have an unfair edge on, have an unfair start, get in front of everyone in line, go before, start before, begin before

It's not fair that you **jump ahead in line**. Others have been waiting for a longer time

2. (more stylistic) to spring ahead in line, undeservedly and unjustly surpass, outdistance, **vault ahead** or **move to the head of the line**, unfairly **move ahead** or forward, hurdle to the front of the line, **jostle**, **ram** or **shove oneself to the head of the line**
3. to run and jump ahead, pass over, get an edge on, get a headstart, jump the line, get a start, have an edge on, **get ahead of**, get a jump on, push ones way in, **jump ahead of**, sail over, **pass ahead**, **sail ahead**, go before, start before, begin before, **leap ahead in line**, get a jump on, push ones way in, get a jump on, jump over, **jump ahead in the line**
4. to overleap, leap frog, over jump, **skip ahead**, get the drop on, jump over, **pop ahead of**

to jump on ahead

1. to go in front, go before, **move ahead quickly**, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, get in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

You can't **jump on ahead** of everyone in the line.

2. (more stylistic) to , **gallop ahead**, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, press forward, gallop forward, hasten forward, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**

3. to **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **jump ahead of the line**, **jump ahead in the line**, **leap ahead**, **dash ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **leap on ahead**, **dash on ahead**

to keep ahead

1. to keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position continue outperforming, outtrival

It has never been easy to **keep ahead** of him. You must always **be on your toes**.

2. (more stylized) to **maintain oneself ahead**, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, maintain outdistancing
3. (informal) to continue running ring around, remain outshining, not fall back, **stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, **stay ahead of the game**, not lose ground, keep outshining, continue running circles around, **remain ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, not lag or get behind, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, outstripping, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, **get ahead and stay there**

to keep ahead of the game

1. to keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**, continue outperforming, outtrival, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position

My problem is that I have never been able to **keep ahead of the game**.

2. (more stylized) to remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position
3. (informal) to keep outstripping, continue running ring around, remain outshining, not fall back, continue running circles around, not lose ground, **stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, keep outshining, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, **remain ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, not lag or get behind, **stay ahead of the game**, **get ahead and stay there**

to keep one step ahead

1. to outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position, be in a superior position, continue outperforming, outrival, **remain ahead**, **stay ahead**, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**

If I can **keep one step ahead**, I will be able to succeed in whatever I want to do.

2. (more stylized) to persist in a forward, up front or winning position, **remain ahead**, maintain outstripping or outranking, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, remain outdistancing, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking

3. (informal) to **stay ahead of the game, get ahead and stay there, stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, keep outshining, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, outstripping, continue running ring around, remain outshining, not fall back, continue running circles around, not lose ground, **remain ahead of the game**, not lag or get behind

to leap ahead

1. to come first, get in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, **hurry ahead**

You can't **leap ahead** of everyone in the line.

2. (more stylistic) to race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead, whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, usher in
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, jump ahead of the line, jump ahead in the line, dash ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather

to leap ahead in line

1. to unfairly advance, run in front, push to take the lead, unfairly lead, jump to the front of the line, forcefully shove or push oneself in the forward position, be in the lead, undeservedly go first, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**, get in front of everyone in line, go before, start before or begin before everyone else

It's not fair that you **leap ahead in line**. Others have been waiting for a longer time

2. (informal) to jump the line, get a start, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, plow in front of, hurtle in front of, **hurtle ahead**, have an edge on, **unfairly get ahead of**, get a jump on, push ones way in, get a jump of, pass over or sail over one who has also been waiting, jump over people, get a leap on
4. to leap frog, **skip ahead**, get the drop on, **pop ahead of**, **jump ahead of the line**

to leap ahead of the line

1. to get in front of everyone in line, go before, start before, begin before, push to take the lead, unfairly lead, jump to the front of the line, forcefully shove or push oneself in the forward position, be in the lead, undeservedly go first
To **leap ahead of the line** isn't right and very rude. Wait your turn.
2. to jump the line, get a start, have an edge on, **get ahead of**, get a jump on, push ones way in, **get ahead of**, pass over, sail over, jump over, **leap ahead in the line**
3. to leap frog, **skip ahead**, get the drop on, **pop ahead of**

to limp ahead

1. to **stagger ahead**, crawl, hobble, totter, move slowly, teeter, dodder, move unsteadily, stagger along, slowly and unsteadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line

After running so many miles, I am barely able to **limp ahead** of my own grandmother, let alone do anything else.

2. (more stylistic) to little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead** or move onward, to slowly advance or proceed ahead, **move**

ahead unsteadily and slowly, barely advance one step at a time, walk lamely and feebly

3. (informal) to inch along, move along slowly, totter along, **drag one's feet**, **crawl ahead**, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, **creep ahead**, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, crawl, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**

to limp on ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, stagger along, stagger ahead, crawl, hobble, totter, move slowly, teeter, dodder

She **limped on ahead** of her opponents and inched her way to the winning circle.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet**, **crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**

to look ahead

1. to expect, look towards the future, be in readiness for, plan for the future, think about the future, prepare oneself for

It makes no sense to keep going around and around; we must **look ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to abide, envision, calculate upon, look forward, look to, envisage, look toward, look to the future rather back, to

the past, anticipate, fore-glimpse, contemplate, be reserved for, **see ahead to**

3. (informal) to be in waiting for, keep in view, watch for, sit up for, reckon upon, have in prospect, be in store for, **have an eye to the future, have an eye on the future, have an eye on what is to come**
4. to keep one's head straight to see or focus on what is in front of one, view, look at steadily, sweep
5. to scan, observe, behold, scrutinize
6. to check out, **rivet one's eyes**, overlook, fix one's gaze, take stock, **bend the eye, run the eyes over, sweep one's eyes over**

to look ahead to

1. to watch out for, wait for, look towards the future, plan for the future, look for, think about the future, look out for, count on, await with anticipation, hope for, watch for

It makes no sense to keep going around and around; we must **look ahead** to the what is coming.

2. (more stylistic) to envision, calculate upon, look forward, look to, envisage, look toward, look to the future rather back to the past, anticipate, fore-glimpse, look forward to, aspire to, count upon, **see ahead**
3. (informal) to pin one's hope on, look on the sunny side, look on the bright side, **have an eye to the future, have an eye on the future, have an eye on what is to come**, dream of, **have one's heart set on**
4. (slang) to lick one's chops over, be psyched for, psyched up for

to look straight ahead

1. to keep one's head straight to see, look at or focus on what is in front of one

You are not to turn to the right or left but to **look straight ahead**.

2. to scan, observe, behold, scrutinize
3. to check out, **rivet one's eyes**, overlook, fix one's gaze, take stock, **bend the eye**, **run the eyes over**, **sweep one's eyes over**

to lose no time to get ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**
2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, gallop ahead, gallop forward, hasten forward
3. to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, hotfoot it, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, shake a leg, be hell-bent for leather

to lunge ahead

1. to quickly move forward, lunge, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **leap ahead**, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, **sprint ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **lunge ahead**, **drive ahead**, **pitch ahead**, thrust ahead

He **lunged ahead** and won.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead, whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, leap, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste, thrust, spring, pitch
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, **lunge on ahead**, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead, fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, hurry ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, pitch on ahead, thrust on ahead, leap on ahead, spring on ahead**
4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead, zip, go lickety-split, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint on ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead**

to lunge on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, lunge, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **leap ahead, rush ahead, lurch ahead, shove ahead, push ahead, spring ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, lunge ahead, drive ahead, pitch ahead**, thrust ahead
He **lunged on ahead** and won.
2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead, whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, leap, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste, thrust, spring, pitch

3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, **lunge on ahead**, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **pitch on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **leap on ahead**, **spring on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor**, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **tear on ahead**, **fly ahead**

to lurch ahead

1. to quickly move forward, lunge, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **leap ahead**, **rush ahead**, **lurch ahead**, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, **spring ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **lunge ahead**, **drive ahead**, **pitch ahead**, thrust ahead

He **lurched ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead**, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, leap, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste, thrust, spring, pitch

3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, **lunge on ahead**, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead**, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **hurry ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **pitch on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **leap on ahead**, **spring on ahead**

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint on ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead**

to lurch on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, lunge, rush, rush in advance, hurry, **leap ahead, rush ahead, lurch ahead, shove ahead, push ahead, spring ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, lunge ahead, drive ahead, pitch ahead**, thrust ahead

He **lurched on ahead** and won the race.
2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, **jostle ahead, whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, leap, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste, thrust, spring, pitch
3. (informal) to **rush headlong**, blaze the trail, lead the way, **lunge on ahead**, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **tear ahead, fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, hurry ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, pitch on ahead, thrust on ahead, leap on ahead, spring on ahead**
4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint on ahead, tear on ahead, fly ahead**

to march ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **saunter ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

to march on ahead

1. to go or march in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **march on ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

to meander ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **meander ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

to meander on ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **meander on ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

to mosey ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **mosey ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
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to move ahead

1. to progress, do well, go up in the world, advance, make one's fortune, grow rich, be well-to-do

When I was a young single mother, it was almost impossible for me to **move ahead**.

2. (more stylized) to realize, fulfill, thrive, accomplish, flourish, achieve, bring to a successful end, succeed in, attain, fare well, go forward, move forward
3. (informal) to forge ahead, gain ground, push forward, pull off, move ahead, make it, rise up in the world, bring off, make headway, get on, go ahead
4. (slang) to pull off, make happen, make good, go up in the world, make one's pile

to move ahead at a snail's pace

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, move slowly to the front or inch along, **pull oneself along and ahead**

Yes, he's making progress but he **is making ahead** at a snail's pace.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**

to move ahead of

1. to surpass, be in earlier than, be in front of, be before, outdistant, in advance of, go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

He is going to win the race; he **is finally moving ahead of** everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, gallop ahead, gallop forward, hasten forward, trump, excel, exceed
3. (informal) to outstrip, outdo, beating or winning out, go one, better, throw in the shadow, **be ahead of**, leave in the dust, run circles around, show up, overcome, **leave standing flatfooted** to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spear ahead**, **press ahead**, **lose no time to get ahead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather

to not look ahead

1. to be unthinking, take unnecessary risks, not be mindful of the consequences, result, effect or upshot, be thoughtless

You are in the situation that you are in because you do **not look ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to not be concerned or preoccupied with the aftermath, aftereffect or conclusion, be incautious, improvident, heedless, impudent or unmindful
3. (informal) to trust blind luck, not worry about how the story ends, be riding for a fall, gamble foolishly, **harebrained**, ask for trouble,

beg for problems

to pass ahead

1. to come before, take the front position, take the lead, go in advance, lead the way, go forward, go before, **go ahead of**, move forward, move onward, advance onward, advance forward, pass in front of another

You can't **pass ahead** of me and expect me to say nothing!

2. (more stylistic) to proceed forward, proceed before, proceed ahead, forge on, forge forward, forge ahead, make haste, haste forward, progress forward, progress onward, move onward
3. (informal) to **make headway, move ahead, move on ahead, proceed on ahead**, make one's way in front another, make one's way pass another, **push ahead, push on ahead**, press on. **press ahead, press on ahead, forge on ahead, continue ahead**, fly, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, sweep ahead**, hurry along, **hurry ahead, make a move ahead**
4. (slang) to **zip ahead, plunge ahead, streak on ahead, plunge on ahead, swoosh ahead, lunge ahead, whoosh ahead, zip ahead on, zoom on ahead, speed ahead, speed on ahead, swoosh ahead on, whoosh on ahead, lunge on ahead, zoom ahead, streak ahead**

to pass on ahead

1. to come before, take the front position, take the lead, go in advance, lead the way, go forward, go before, go ahead of, move forward, move onward, advance onward, advance forward, pass in front of another

You **pass on ahead**. I'm still not ready.

2. (more stylistic) to proceed forward, proceed before, proceed ahead, forge on, forge forward, forge ahead, make haste, haste forward, progress forward, progress onward, move onward

3. (informal) to **make headway, move ahead, move on ahead, proceed on ahead**, make one's way in front another, make one's way pass another, **push ahead, push on ahead**, press on. **press ahead, press on ahead, forge on ahead, continue ahead**, fly, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, sweep ahead**, hurry along, **hurry ahead, make a move ahead**

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to plod ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead**

I hated my job but I kept **plodding ahead** until I attained success.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber

3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead**

4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

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4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to plow ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead, push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead, drive ahead**

He **plowed ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, **fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead**, hurry ahead, hurry, **jump on ahead**,

rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

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1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead, push ahead, dash, dash ahead, drive ahead**

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to plunge ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He **plunged ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, hurry ahead, hurry, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**
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to plunge on ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He **plunged on ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

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to plug ahead

1. to work or toil hard, set to work, push oneself

It has been very hard but there's nothing more do but **plug ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to strive, exert oneself, endeavor, labor, work like a Trojan, perverse
3. (informal) to ply the oar, **put one's hand to the plow, set one's shoulder to the wheel**, roll up one's sleeves, **knuckle down**, buckle down, grind, **keep one's nose to the grindstone**, work around the clock, grind, stick to it, kill oneself, work like a stevedore, **work one's fingers to the bone**
4. (slang) to get off the dime, get busy, get down to it, get down to business, get off one's duff, kill oneself, plod, plug along, **plug ahead**, work oneself to death, slave away, try one damnest, plug at, hang in there

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to pop ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He came out of nowhere and **popped ahead** of his of the other joggers.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
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to pop ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He **popped on ahead** and won.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
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to press ahead

1. to confront or stand up to without fear or doubt, be untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, defiant or not surrender, continue on one's path despite everything, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward

No matter what happens, we must **press ahead** and believe in ourselves.

2. (more stylized) to remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, be resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, be unyielding,

tenacious, hold fast, **forge ahead, forge on ahead**

3. (informal) to stick to one's gun, **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, brook no denial, **push ahead**, not give up despite the odds, stick it out, **press ahead**, carry on, not give up the ship, **move ahead**, hold one's ground, plod along, keep going, see through, press on,
4. (slang) to **be a dog with a bone**, be more **headstrong, pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead**

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4. (slang) to **be a dog with a bone**, be more **headstrong**, **pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead**

to propel ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

She **propelled ahead** of everyone and won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to propel on ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

She **propelled on ahead** without ever looking back.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to propel right on ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

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2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

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4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to pull ahead in an underhanded manner

1. to slowly, slyly, quietly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, move slowly to the front or inch along, **pull oneself along and ahead in an underhanded manner**

He's like a snake always **pulling along and ahead in an underhanded manner**.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**

3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead**, **get ahead**, **move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway**, **go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **crawl ahead**, crawl, worm along, crawl along,

stagger ahead, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**, **move ahead at a snail's pace**

to push ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

He **pushed ahead** of his opponents and won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, shake a leg, be hell-bent for leather
5. to make progress, **forge ahead** move on, move forward or proceed despite all obstacles, confront or stand up to without fear or doubt, be untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, defiant or not surrender, continue on one's path despite everything, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward
I have been able to **push ahead**, even though half the population is in opposition.
6. (more stylized) to remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, be resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, be unyielding, tenacious, hold fast, **forge ahead**, **forge on ahead**

7. (informal) to stick to one's gun, **be hard as nail**, stiff, rigid, stay the course, red-blooded, spunky, hardened, game, unbending, never tire, steely, hard, flinty or spunky, brook no denial, **push ahead**, not give up despite the odds, stick it out, **press ahead**, carry on, not give up the ship, **move ahead**, hold one's ground, plod along, keep going, see through, press on, push forward

8. (slang) to **be a dog with a bone**, be more **headstrong**, **pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead**

to push on ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

5. to make progress, **forge ahead** move on, move forward or proceed despite all obstacles, confront or stand up to without fear or doubt, be untiring, persistent, unyielding, undaunted, tireless, defiant or not surrender, continue on one's path despite everything, keep the faith, pursue relentlessly, move onward, move forward
I have been able to **push on ahead**, even though half the population is in opposition.
6. (more stylized) to remain unwavering, firm, steady, steadfast or constant despite the situation or all opposition, be resolved, adamant, preserving, resolute, unswerving, uncompromising, determined or intrepid, persevere, stand fast, abide, be unyielding, tenacious, hold fast, **forge ahead**, **forge on ahead**
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8. (slang) to **be a dog with a bone**, be more **headstrong**, **pigheaded**, bulldogged, cussed, **bullheaded**, mulish or **muleheaded** than one's opponents, not say uncle, not take 'no' for an answer, plug away, **plug ahead**

to race ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

He **raced ahead** of everyone to greet his father.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to race on ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

He gets me so angry; he's always **racing ahead** of everyone else.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to ram ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

She won because she successfully **rammed ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, **plunge ahead**, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to ram one's way ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

She won because she successfully **rammed her way ahead** of everyone and won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to ram right ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**
She won because she successfully **rammed right ahead** of everyone despite all the protest.
2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust**

ahead, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to remain ahead

1. to keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**, continue outperforming, outrival, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position to shame, **stay ahead**, continue outperforming, outrival

Whatever you do, **remain ahead!**

2. (more stylized) to remain outdistancing, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position, **remain ahead**, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking
3. (informal) to continue running rings around, remain outshining, not fall back, **stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, **stay ahead of the game**, not lose ground, keep outshining, continue running circles around, **remain ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, not lag or get

behind, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, outstripping, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, **get ahead and stay there**

to remain ahead of the game

1. to keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, continue outperforming, outrival, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position, be in a superior position, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**

She is so tired of always worrying about **remaining ahead of the game**.

2. (more stylized) to **maintain oneself ahead**, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, maintain outdistancing
3. (informal) to **stay ahead of the game, get ahead and stay there, stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, keep outshining, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, outstripping, continue running rings around, remain outshining, not fall back, continue running circles around, not lose ground, **remain ahead of the game**, not lag or get behind

to remain one step ahead

1. to keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position, keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position, remain overtaking or putting

Remaining one step ahead of her family was how she became richer than they.

2. (more stylized) to remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position

3. (informal) to outstripping, remain outshining, not fall back, continue running circles around, not lose ground, **stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, keep outshining, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, **remain ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, not lag or get behind, **stay ahead of the game**, **get ahead and stay there**, continue running rings around

to rip ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

I love **ripping ahead** of everyone and feeling the wind on my face.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, dart forward, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

3. (informal) to **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **step ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scot ahead**, lose no time going forward, **race ahead**, **dash ahead**, scot forward, **scamper ahead**, scot forward, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scramble on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **scot on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **scamper on ahead**, **scour on ahead**

4. (slang) to **whiz ahead**, **rip ahead**, get one's rear in gear, hustle

ahead, rip forward, **shake a leg**, hop to it, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to rip on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

I love **ripping on ahead** of everyone and feeling the wind on my face.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, dart forward, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **step ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scout ahead**, lose no time going forward, **race ahead**, **dash ahead**, scout forward, **scamper ahead**, scout forward, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scramble on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **scout on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **scamper on ahead**, **scour on ahead**
4. (slang) to **whiz ahead**, **rip ahead**, get one's rear in gear, hustle **ahead**, rip forward, **shake a leg**, hop to it, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to roar ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

Despite what everyone warned, he **roared ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**

4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to roar ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

Despite what everyone warned, he **roared on ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**

4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to roar right ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

Despite what everyone warned, he **roared right ahead** without thinking for a moment.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**

4. (slang) to **roar right ahead, butt ahead, butt right ahead, zip right ahead, chuck ahead, chuck on ahead, butt on ahead, barrel right ahead, barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead, ram right ahead**

to run ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

Go and **run ahead**. You quicker than I and staying here with me will only slow you down.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead**

to run on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

I had to wait for my mom; therefore, he **ran on ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead**

to rush ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

I have to **rush ahead**; the bank is about to close.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to rush ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

I have to **rush on ahead**; the bank is about to close.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to sail ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

She **sailed ahead** of the competition and, as a result, won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to sail on ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

She **sailed on ahead** of the competition and, as a result, won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on**

ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to saunter ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

You two continue talking. I'm going to **saunter ahead** to look at all the beautiful flowers.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead, amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead, walk ahead, go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead, stroll on ahead, ramble on ahead, go on ahead, ramble ahead, wander ahead, wander on ahead, meander on ahead, mosey on ahead, amble on ahead, amble on a few steps ahead**

to saunter on ahead

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2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

to scamp ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

She **scoured ahead** of the competition and, as a result, won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, dart forward, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **step ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scout ahead**, lose no time going forward, **race ahead**, **dash ahead**, scout forward, **scamper ahead**, scout forward, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scramble on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **scout on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **scamper on ahead**, **scour on ahead**
4. (slang) to **whiz ahead**, **rip ahead**, get one's rear in gear, hustle **ahead**, rip forward, **shake a leg**, hop to it, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**

to scamp on ahead

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3. (informal) to **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **step ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **scout ahead**, lose no time going forward, **race ahead**, **dash ahead**, scout forward, **scamper ahead**, scout forward, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **scramble on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **scout on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **scamper on ahead**, **scour on ahead**
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to schlep ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead**, **stamp ahead**, **crawl ahead**

Why can't you walk like a normal human being instead of **schlepping ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward,

mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead

4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to schlep on ahead

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4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to scoot ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

She **scooted ahead** of the competition and, as a result, won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to scoot on ahead

1. to go in front, go before, move ahead quickly, move forward quickly, go in advance, go first, run in front, take the lead, lead, be in advance, be in the forward position, be in the lead, come first, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

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on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

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to scour ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

He is always **scouring ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to scour on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

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2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
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to scramble ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

She **scrambled ahead** of the competition and, as a result, won the race.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to scramble on ahead

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to see ahead

1. to expect, look towards the future, be in readiness for, plan for the future, think about the future, prepare oneself for

It makes no sense to keep going around and around; we must **see ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to abide, envision, calculate upon, look forward, look to, envisage, look toward, look to the future rather back, to the past, anticipate, fore-glimpse, contemplate, be reserved for, **see ahead to**
3. (informal) to be in waiting for, keep in view, watch for, sit up for, reckon upon, have in prospect, be in store for, **have an eye to the future**, **have an eye on the future**, **have an eye on what is to come**

to see ahead to

1. to watch out for, wait for, look towards the future, plan for the future, look for, think about the future, look out for, count on, await with anticipation, hope for, watch for

It makes no sense to keep going around and around; we must **see ahead** to the what is coming.

2. (more stylistic) to envision, calculate upon, look forward, look to, envisage, look toward, look to the future rather back, to the past, anticipate, fore-glimpse, look forward to, aspire to, count upon, **see ahead**
3. (informal) to pin one's hope on, look on the sunny side, look on the bright side, **have an eye to the future**, **have an eye on the future**, **have an eye on what is to come**, dream of, **have one's**

heart set on

4. (slang) to lick one's chops over, be psyched for, psyched up for

to shoot ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, skip ahead, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

The little boy **shot ahead** of the other children.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **skip on ahead**, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to shoot on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

The little boy **shot on ahead** of the other children.

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3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to shoulder one's way ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

Because he wanted to get into the house, he **shouldered his way ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward

3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to **roar right ahead**, **butt ahead**, **butt right ahead**, **zip right ahead**, **chuck ahead**, **chuck on ahead**, **butt on ahead**, **barrel right ahead**, **barge ahead**, charge in, ram one's way through, **ram one's way ahead**, **ram right ahead**

to skip ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, skip ahead, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

The little boy is always **skipping ahead** of the other children.
2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **skip on ahead**, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz**

on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead scoot forward,
scamper ahead

to skip on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead, rush ahead, hurry ahead**

The little boy **skipped on ahead** of the other children.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead, gallop forward**, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to sprint ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead, rush ahead, hurry ahead**

After I got my second wind, I was able to **sprint ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to sprint on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

After I got my second wind, I was able to **sprint on ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

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push on ahead, scour ahead, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

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to stagger ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, stagger along, stagger ahead, crawl, hobble, totter, move slowly, teeter, dodder

Before collapsing, she **staggered ahead** of her attacker.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet, crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**

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3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet, crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**

to stamp ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead**
To show her anger she **stamped ahead** of everyone.
2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead**
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to stare ahead

1. to keep one's head straight to see or focus on what is in front of one, view, look forward steadily, stare at, gawk or gape at what is ahead or that which is in front of one
2. to gaze, behold,
3. to **keep an eye on**, check out, **rivet one's eyes**, fix one's gaze, take stock, **bend the eye, eyeball, stare ahead of one open-mouthed**

fix one's sight or gaze on, **have one's eyes fixed, riveted, fixated or arrested on someone or something**, not be able to turn away, stare, glare or gaze at, look at without turning away

Although I tried to turn away, I **rivet my eyes on** him.

2. to hold or have the undivided attention of, be totally absorbed or engrossed in looking at someone or something
3. (informal) to **bend the eye, cock the eye, fix the eye, fix one's gaze**, gawk, ogle, goggle, **rivet one's eyes on, rivet one's eyes upon, keep an eye on**

to stay ahead

1. to keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position, keep

oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, be in a superior position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**, continue outperforming, outrival

To **stay ahead** is one of the most difficult aspect to this business.

2. (more stylized) to remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead**, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position
3. (informal) to continue running rings around, remain outshining, not fall back, **stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, **stay ahead of the game**, not lose ground, keep outshining, continue running circles around, **remain ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, not lag or get behind, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, outstripping, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, **get ahead and stay there**

to stay ahead of the game

1. to keep oneself in an advanced position, **continue ahead**, keep outpacing, **be ahead**, continue outperforming, outrival, **remain ahead**, outrun, continue being in an advanced or forward position, be in a superior position, keep eclipsing, remain in a forward position, remain overtaking or putting to shame, **stay ahead**

Whenever possible, **stay ahead of the game**. You're never regret it.

2. (more stylized) to **maintain oneself ahead**, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position, **sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, remain outdistancing, **remain ahead**, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking,

maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, maintain outdistancing

3. (informal) to **stay ahead of the game, get ahead and stay there, stay one step ahead**, not be left behind, hold onto to one's lead, continuing winning out, still outdistance, **continue ahead of the game**, not fall behind, **remain one step ahead**, keep outshining, keep getting the better of, continue beating out or outdoing, outstripping, continue running rings around, remain outshining, not fall back, continue running circles around, not lose ground, **remain ahead of the game**, not lag or get behind

to stay one step ahead

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She was able to **stay one step ahead of** his competition. Not bad for a man who never went to school.

2. (more stylized) to remain outdistancing, maintain outdistancing, preserve one's lead, remain in a winning position, persist in a forward, up front or winning position, **remain ahead**, maintain outstripping or outranking, be more advanced than, **maintain oneself ahead, sustain oneself ahead**, maintain one's hold on the lead, sustain one self in a winning position, sustain oneself in an advanced position, preserve oneself in an advanced position, excel, persist outranking
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to stomp ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead**

To show her anger she **stomped ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
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to storm ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, rushing, storm ahead, quickly moving forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storming ahead**, storm in advance, storm forward

She **stormed ahead** of everyone in her class and became the first CEO under twenty-one years old.

2. (more stylized) besiege forward, siege forward, thrust forward, hasten onward, press on, **catapult ahead**, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, **scour ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on, **speed ahead**, catapult forward, propel onward, **thrust ahead**, hurl forward, **hurl ahead**, speed onward, hurl onward, heave forward, **propel ahead**, speed forward
3. (informal) **scurry ahead**, look alive, lose no time, go like a shot, hotfoot it, **shoot ahead**, hustle onward, hustle, **sprint ahead**, outstrip the wind, **whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead**, **bustle ahead**, **run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing of the wing, **whip ahead**, **spurting ahead**, step on the gas, spurt forward, **tear ahead**
4. get one's rear in gear, move on out, get cracking, burn rubber

to storm on ahead

1. to **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, quickly move forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, dash forward, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **move quickly ahead**, hurrying forward, hurry in advance, **storm ahead**, storm in advance, storm forward

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to streak ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He is always **streaking ahead** and beating everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
3. (informal) to rush headlong, blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get head**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, tear ahead, tear on ahead, **fly ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, hurry ahead, hurry, **jump on ahead**,

rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead

4. (slang) to **put one's foot on the floor, hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead, moves ones feet**, go like a shot, bulldoze, **bulldoze ahead**

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to stride ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, go forward, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

She normally **strides ahead** of the other children.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

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to stroll ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

I am going to **stroll ahead**. When you want to talk just catch up and we'll talk.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**

3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**

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to swoosh ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, skip ahead, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

I **swooshed ahead** of everyone and won.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **skip on ahead**, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to swoosh on ahead

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to tear ahead

1. to quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead**, **push ahead**, dash, **dash ahead**, **drive ahead**

He took his car and **tore ahead** of everyone to win the race.

2. (more stylistic) to plow in front of, hurtle in front of, hurtle ahead, jostle in front of, jostle ahead, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, go in haste
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move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

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to tetter ahead

1. to slowly and steadily make progress, move on, move forward or go to the front of the line, stagger along, stagger ahead, crawl, hobble, totter, move slowly, teeter, dodder

Before falling back down, they **tettered ahead** of her parents.

2. (more stylistic) to slowly advance or proceed, little by little make strides, forge forward, **forge ahead**, move onward, **move ahead unsteadily** or **march ahead**

3. (informal) to **slowly push ahead, get ahead, move ahead**, creep ahead, **make headway, go ahead** or take the lead, inch along, move along slowly, gain ground, hobble along, totter, **hobble ahead**, totter along, **drag one's feet, crawl ahead**, crawl, crawl along, **stagger ahead**, teeter along, **tetter ahead**, dodder along, **dodder ahead**

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to thrust ahead

1. to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward, push through, bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, forge through, charge forward, shove through, ram through, **burst ahead**

Because he wanted to get into the house, he **thrust ahead**.

2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead, press ahead, shove ahead, barrel ahead, zip ahead, push ahead, drive ahead, bulldoze on ahead, push on ahead, barrel on ahead, forge on ahead, zip on ahead, thrust on ahead, propel ahead, propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead, elbow one's way ahead, hurl ahead, crash ahead, press on ahead, ram on ahead, bear on ahead, charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to roar right ahead, butt ahead, butt right ahead, zip right ahead, chuck ahead, chuck on ahead, butt on ahead, barrel right ahead, barge ahead, charge in

to thrust on ahead

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2. (more stylistic) to bear hard upon, push onward, press onward, drive forward, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, plunge ahead, press forward, thrust forward, thrust onward, propel forward, propel onward, shove forward, shove onward, elbow one's way onward, advance forward, shoulder one's way forward, **thrust ahead**, shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward
3. (informal) to **elbow one's way ahead**, elbow one's way through, **shoulder one's way ahead**, shoulder one's way through, **bulldoze ahead**, **press ahead**, **shove ahead**, **barrel ahead**, **zip ahead**, **push ahead**, **drive ahead**, **bulldoze on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **forge on ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **thrust on ahead**, **propel ahead**, **propel on ahead**, make one's way, **ram ahead**, **elbow one's way ahead**, **hurl ahead**, **crash ahead**, **press on ahead**, **ram on ahead**, **bear on ahead**, **charge on ahead**
4. (slang) to roar right ahead, butt ahead, butt right ahead, zip right ahead, chuck ahead, chuck on ahead, butt on ahead, barrel right ahead, barge ahead, charge in

to tramp ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, **move ahead**, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead**, **stamp ahead**, **crawl ahead**

He **tramped ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead**
4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to tramp on ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, **move ahead**, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead**

He **tramped on ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead**
4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to tread ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead**

I will **tread ahead** despite all the obstacles put in front of me.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead**
4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to tread on ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead**

I will **tread on ahead** despite all the obstacles put in front of me.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead**

4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead**, **schlep on ahead**

to trudge ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead**, **stamp ahead**, **crawl ahead**

He **trudged ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber, plow
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward, **mosey ahead**, **drag ahead**, **stroll ahead**, **trudge ahead**, **plod ahead**, **lumber ahead**, **plow ahead**, **saunter ahead**, **go on ahead**, **stamp ahead**, **crawl ahead**, **inch ahead**, **mosey ahead**, **drag ahead**, **stroll ahead**, **trudge ahead**, **plod ahead**, **lumber ahead**, **plow ahead**, **saunter ahead**
4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead**, **schlep on ahead**

to trudge on ahead

1. to tread, walk or walk heavily in front of, move ahead, move forward, go in advance, go first, **go ahead**, **stamp ahead**, **crawl ahead**

He **trudged on ahead** of his of the other joggers and made it.

2. (more stylistic) to stroll, plod, lumber saunter, trudge, stump, plow, stroll, plod, lumber, plow
3. (informal) to **drag one's feet**, inch along, **inch ahead**, limp along, **limp ahead**, bring up the rear, mosey along, mosey forward,

mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead, go on ahead, stamp ahead, crawl ahead, inch ahead, mosey ahead, drag ahead, stroll ahead, trudge ahead, plod ahead, lumber ahead, plow ahead, saunter ahead

4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead, schlep on ahead**

to vault ahead

1. to bulldoze onward, press through, propel through, shove through, drive through, charge to the front force through, make one's way through, make one's way onward, barrel through, rip through, zip through, **burst ahead**, quickly move forward, rush, rush in advance, **lurch ahead**, hurry, **shove ahead, push ahead**, to ram forward, bulldoze through, plunge through, plunge forward

Who do you think you are, **vaulting ahead** of everyone to get to the front? Wait your turn like everyone else!

2. (more stylistic) to **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**, drive onward, push forward, burst onward, advance forward, **shoulder one's way forward, thrust ahead, catapult ahead**, fling forward, **press ahead**, press onward, take wing, **scour ahead**, fly on the wings of the wind, scour past one's competitors, dash onward, catapult onward, heave on shunt onward, shunt forward, burst forward, hurl onward, hurl forward, advance onward, bear hard upon, push onward
3. (informal) to lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, whip ahead**, zoom onward, whip onward, **speed ahead, bustle ahead, run ahead**, do some tall stepping, speed up, step on it, **zip ahead**, sprint forward, scurry forward, bustle onward, lose no time, fly on the wing of the air, **whip ahead**

4. (slang) to **zip ahead**, get cracking, stir up a dust storm, **barrel ahead**, zip, go lickety-split, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead**, **feet**, go like a shot, go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**

to walk a few steps ahead

1. to go in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of, walk a few steps in front of

In some countries, a husband must **walk a few steps ahead** of his wife.

2. to proceed in advance of, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, **tramp ahead**, **trudge ahead**, **march ahead**
3. (informal) to **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, take the lead,

to walk ahead

1. to go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of

I am **walking ahead** of him because I want to arrive first.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**
4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead**, **schlep on ahead**

to walk on ahead

1. to go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of, march

I am **walking on ahead** of him because I want to arrive first.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, promenade, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, circumambulate, amble along, meander along, wander, perambulate, ramble, **perambulate ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead**, or take the lead, mosey along, stroll along, **walk on ahead**, **stroll on ahead**, **ramble on ahead**, **go on ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **wander ahead**, **wander on ahead**, **meander on ahead**, **mosey on ahead**, **amble on ahead**, **amble on a few steps ahead**
4. (slang) to tramp, **tramp ahead**, tramp along, **tramp on ahead**, schlep, schlep along, **schlep ahead**, **schlep on ahead**

to walk easily ahead

1. to leisurely and slowly go in front of, walk a few steps in front of, walk in front of, walk a few paces in front of, go a few steps in front of or walk ahead of others, **stroll ahead**, amble in front of, **walk easily ahead of**

Although she doesn't like to rush, she always **walks easily ahead** of everyone.

2. (more stylistic) to **meander ahead**, advance, **mosey ahead**, proceed, **amble ahead**, **amble a few steps ahead**, **tramp ahead**, **trudge ahead**, **ramble ahead**, **march ahead**
3. (informal) to slowly and easily **get ahead**, **walk ahead**, **go ahead** or take the lead

to walk quickly ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, go forward, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

The child **walked quickly ahead** of everyone present and, as a result, arrived home before everyone else.

2. (more stylistic) to **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, gallop ahead, gallop forward, hasten forward
3. to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **zoom ahead**, zoom forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, shoot ahead, sprint ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather

to warn ahead of time

1. to notify, warn in advance, **warn beforehand**, put on guard

I was not very surprised about what happened. I had been warned **ahead of time**.

2. (more stylistic) to enlighten, give prior notice, forewarn, prewarn, precaution, say word to the wise
3. (informal) to **put a bug in one's ear**, give fair warning, alert, put one wise, put on alert
4. (slang) to read the riot act

to whisk ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, go forward, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

The children **whisked ahead** of the parents.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to whisk on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, go forward, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

The children **whisked on ahead** of the parents.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to whoosh ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, skip ahead, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

I **whooshed ahead** of everyone and won.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**

3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **skip on ahead**, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to whoosh on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

I **whooshed on ahead** of everyone and won.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead**, **scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead**, **gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**, **spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead**, **fly on ahead**, **shoot ahead**, **shoot on ahead**, **sprint ahead**, **dash ahead**, **move on ahead**, **jump on ahead**, **rush on ahead**, **hurry on ahead**, **whisk on ahead**, **scurry on ahead**, **press on ahead**, **race on ahead**, **gallop on ahead**, **sprint on ahead**, **dash on ahead**, **push on ahead**, **scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead**, **zip on ahead**, **whiz on ahead**, **rip on ahead**, **barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to zoom ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**, rush forward, **rush ahead**, **hurry ahead**

You can't just **zoom ahead** of everyone and, afterwards, disappear to God only knows where.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead**, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**
4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

to zoom on ahead

1. to quickly go in front, go before, move ahead, move forward, go in advance or go first, run in front of, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**, rush forward, **rush ahead, hurry ahead**

You can't just **zoom on ahead** of everyone and, afterwards, disappear to God only knows where.

2. (more stylistic) to usher in, **whisk ahead, scurry ahead**, press forward, **press ahead**, race forward, **race ahead, gallop ahead**, gallop forward, hasten forward, make haste, **scramble ahead**
3. (informal) to blaze the trail, lead the way, show the way, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead, spearhead**, lose no time going forward, **fly ahead, fly on**

ahead, shoot ahead, shoot on ahead, sprint ahead, dash ahead, move on ahead, jump on ahead, rush on ahead, hurry on ahead, whisk on ahead, scurry on ahead, press on ahead, race on ahead, gallop on ahead, sprint on ahead, dash on ahead, push on ahead, scour ahead, step lively, lead the way, double-time, wing one's way forward, **push ahead**, push forward, **lose no time to get ahead**

4. (slang) to go like a shot, **hotfoot it**, high tail, high tail it, get cracking, get one's rear in gear, **shake a leg**, be hell-bent for leather, **zip ahead**, get cracking, **barrel ahead, zip on ahead, whiz on ahead, rip on ahead, barrel on ahead** scoot forward, **scamper ahead**

beheading

1. **removing one's head**

Beheading used to be a popular form of execution.

2. (more stylistic) decapitation, decollation, being put to the guillotine or brought to the block
3. (informal) **chopping one's head off, chopping off one's head**, put under the executioner's ax, **lobbing one's head off, lobbing off one's head**, put under the ax

to behead

1. to **remove one's head**

She was **beheaded**.

2. (more stylistic) decapitate, decollate, put to the guillotine, bring to the block
3. (informal) to **chop one's head off, chop off one's head**, put under the executioner's ax, **lob one's head off, lob off one's head**, put under the ax

to take a header

1. to fall, fall end over end, pitch forward, fall down, fall over, go head over heels, lose one's footing or equilibrium
2. (informal to slang) to flop down, take a flop, capsize, spread-eagle, sprawl, fall on one's face or one's knees, go head over heels, fall headlong, come a cropper

Appendix 1

Religious-based words which entered into the English language from the Church as a result of Christianization:

abbot, alms, altar, angel, anthem, ark, candle, canon, chalice, cleric, deacon, disciple, epistle, hymn, litany, manna, martyr, mass, minister, noon, nun, offer, organ, palm, pope, priest, psalm, relic, rule, shrine, stole, synod, temple, tunic, Antichrist, apostle, cantor, cell, cloister, collect, creed, demon, font, idol, nocturne, prime, prophet, Sabbath, synagogue

Non-religious Latin based words which came into English through the Church:

cap, sock, silk, purple, chest, mat, sack, beet, lentil, pear, radish, doe, oyster, lobster, mussel, to cook, box, pine, lily, marshmallow, myrrh, rue, savory, master, school, Latin, grammatical, verse, meter, gloss, notary, anchor, fan, fever, place, sponge, elephant, phoenix, circle, legion, giant, consul, talent, accent, to brief, decline, history, paper, term, title, cucumber, ginger, winkle

Appendix 2

Most Frequently Used Words In English

Agricultural terms

sheep, shepherd, ox, earth, plough, swine, dog, wood, field, corn

Days of the week

Monandæg (day of the moon), Tiwesdæg (day of the god, Tig), Wodnesdæg (day of the god, Woden), Ðunresdæg (day of the god, Thunor), Frigedæg (the day of the goddess, Friga), Sæternesdæg (the day of the Roman god, Saturn), Sunnandæg (the day of the sun)

Other words

the, is, you, man, and, for ,for, of, in, on, to, under, æfter, beforan, behindan, bi (by), hwæt (what), hwy (why), ofer (over), æt (at), socc (sock), scoh (shoe), mete (meat), butere (butter), milc (milk), egg, hunig (honey), ceses (cheese), summer, winter, the, is, you, man, house, God, heaven, hell, Holy Ghost, Doomsday, god-spell, Gospel, Easter (from the Anglo-Saxon goddess, Eostre), Yule (from the midwinter god, Geol (pronounced 'Yule'))call, shirt, hat, father, mother, son, daughter, sister, brother, time, corn, night, wood, blood, gold, burg, home, wine, word, book, life, king, sea, water, old

Old English

mann
wif
cild
hūs
benc
mete
gærs
leaf
fugol
god
heah

Modern English

man
wife
child
house
bench
meat, food
grass
leaf
fowl, bird
good
high

strang	strong
etan	eat
drincan	drink
slæpan	sleep
libban	live

Appendix 3

Terms and words from the Old Norse Period

closed class words

Old Norse

Anglo-Saxon

they	hie
their	hiera
them	him
are	aron

other closed class words

both, same, through, till, are

Old Norse word which replace Anglo-Saxons

Old Norse

Anglo-Saxon

egg	ey
sister (syster)	sweostor
loan	læn
weak (wac)	veikr
take	niman
anger	torn, grama, irre

bark
wing
sky
window

rind
feþra
uprodor/wolcen
eagþyrel

Words brought into English from Old Norse which had no equivalent in Old English

call, die, rugged, flat, tight, kid, steak, anger, awe, bait, boon, crooked, saw, wand, wrong, freckle

Old Norse supplied English with useful pair of synonyms

English

shatter

sick

carve

wish

craft

hide

no

whole

rear

from

Norse

scatter

ill

cut

want

skill

skin

nay

hale

raise

fro

Words which entered into English from Old Norse after 1000

nouns

band, booth, bull, dirt, down (feathers), egg, fellow, freckle, kneel, kid, leg, link, reindeer, reef, scab, scales, scrap, seat, sister, skin, skirt, sky, snare, steak, swain, window, birch, boon, gait, gap, guess, loan, race, rift, score, skill, slaughter, snare, stack, swain, thrift, tidings, trust, want, window

verbs

call, crawl, die, get, give, lift, raise, rid, scare, take, cast, clip, crave, droop, gape, kindle, nag, scowl, snub, sprint, thrust

adjectives

flat, loose, low, odd, tight, weak, awkward, ill, meek, sly, rotten, tattered, muggy

pronouns

they, their, them, both, same, though, till

Words which begin with "sk" normally came from Danes

scalp, scrape, scrub, scare, scathe, score, skate, skew, ski, skid, skill, skin, skip, skirt, skull, sky

Appendix 4

Germanic and English Cognates of some of the most common words

English	Frisian	Dutch	German	Swedish	Danish
cheese	tsiis	kaas	Käse	ost	ost
day	dei	dag	Tag	dag	dag
goose	goes	gans	Gans	gås	gås
through	troch	door	durch	igennem	igennem
yesterday	juster	gisteren	gestern	i går	i går
sun	sinne	zon	Sonne	sol	sol
fox	foks	vos	Fuchs	räv	ræv
sit	sitte	zitten	Sitzen	sitta	sidde
book	boek	boek	Buch	bok	bog, bestille
red	read	rood	Rot	röd	rød
sleep	sliepe	slapen	Schlafen	sova	sove søvn
night	natt	nacht	nacht	nat	
snow	snie	sneeuw	schnee	snö	sne
seven	sân	zeven	sieben	sju	syv
foot	foet	voet	fuss	fot	fod, pote
fish	fisk	vis	fisch	fisk	fiske, fisk
heart	hert	hart	herz	hjärta	hjerte
ten		tien	zehn	tio	ti
tooth	tosk	tand	zahn	tand	tand
eat	eat, ite	eten	essen	äta, fört	ära æde

sword	swurd	zwaard	Schwert	svärd, värja	
path	paad	pad	Pfad	stig, bana	sti
hand	han	hand	Hand	hand	hånd
help	helpe	helpen	helfen	hjälp,	hjalpa
three	trije	drie	drei	tre	þrír
heart	hert	hart	Herz	hjärta	hjarta
oak	iik	eik	Eiche	ek	eik

English

cheese

day

goose

yesterday

sun

fox

sit

book

red

sleep

night

snow

seven

Norwegian

ost

dag

gås

i går

sol

rev

sitte

bok

rød

sove, søvn

natt

sne

sju

foot	fot
fish	fisk, fiske
heart	hjerte
ten	ti
tooth	tann
eat	fortære
path	sti
hand	hand
help	hjelp
three	tre
heart	hjerte
oak	eik

Appendix 5

Old English

eam
 anda
 andig
 andian
 æpele
 æpeling
 dryhten/ frea
 leod
 dema

French (replacement)

uncle
 envy
 envious
 to envy
 noble
 nobleman
 prince
 people
 judge

dom	judgment
cyphere	witness
firen	crime
scyldig	guilty
here	army
cempa	warrior
sibb	peace
blæd	flower
bleo	color
adl	disease
ieldu	age
lof	praise
lyft	air
hold	gracious
earn	poor
sltpe	cruel
gecynde	natural
wuldor	glory
wlite	beauty
wlitig	beautiful
andettan	confess
beorgan	preserve, defend
bieldan/ elnian	encourage

dihtan	compose
flitan	contend
healsian	implore
herian	praise
leanian	reward
miltsian	pity

Appendix 6

French words which came into English

1066-1250

abbot, canon, cardinal, clergy, countess, empress, duke, court, rent, cell,
 justice, miracle, Baptist, dame, prince, chapel, image, lion, reason,
 pilgrim, saint, virgin, obedience, religion, sermon, prophet, patriarch,
 archangel, circumcision, sacrament, fruit, sepulcher, custom, admiral,
 crown, astronomy, council, journey, rob, large, silence, dangerous,
 jealous, glutton, joy, tempt, witness, chapter, lesson, story, medicine,
 confessor, constable, heir, chair, butler, peace, justice, uncle, aunt,
 cousin, lamp, rose, catch, change, mercy, poor, rich, wait, ,prove, war,
 arrive, pay

1250-1350

action, cost, deceit, dozen, ease, fault, force, grief, labor, number, opinion, pair, piece, season, sound, square, substance, task, use, bucket, calendar, face, gum, , metal, mountain, ocean, people, actual, brief, certain, clear, common, contrary, eager, easy, final, honest, real, second, single, solid, strange, sudden, usual, allow, apply, approach, arrange, carry, close, continue, count, cover, defeat, destroy, excuse, force, form, increase, inform, join, move, please, proceed, push, remember, travel

By 1300 the following French words were already used in English

nouns

action, adventure, affection, age, air, bucket, bushel, calendar, carpenter, cheer, city, coast, comfort, cost, country, courage, courtesy, coward, crocodile, cruelty, damage, debt, deceit, dozen, ease, envy, error, face, faggot, fame, fault, flower, folly, force, hour, joy, malice, manner, marriage, metal, mountain, number ocean, odor, order, pair, person, piece, point, poverty, powder, power, quality, quart, rage, reason, river, scandal, seal, season, sign, sound, sum, tailor, tavern, unity, use, vision, waste

adjectives

able, abundant, active, actual, amiable, amorous, barren, blank, brief, calm, certain, chaste, chief, clear, common, contrary, courteous, cruel, double, eager, easy, faint, feeble, fierce, final, firm, foreign, frail, frank, gay, gentle, gracious, hasty, honest, horrible, innocent, jolly, liberal, malicious, mean, moist, natural, nice, obedient, original, perfect, pliant, poor, principal

verbs

advance, advise, aim, allow, apply, approach, arrange, arrive, betray, butt, carry, change, chase, close, comfort, commence, complain, conceal, consider, continue, count, cry, cull, deceive, declare, defeat, defer, defy, delay, desire, destroy, embrace, enclose, endure, enjoy, enter, err, excuse, flatter, flourish, force, forge, form, furnish, grant, increase, inform, inquire, join, languish, launch, mount, move, murmur, muse, nourish, obey, oblige, observe, pass, pay, pierce, pinch, please, practice, praise, prefer, proceed, propose, prove, purify, pursue, push, quit, receive, refuse, rejoice, relieve, remember, reply, rinse, rob, satisfy, save, scald, serve, spoil, strangle, strive, shun, succeed, summon, suppose, surprise, tax, tempt, trace, travel, tremble, wait, waive, waste, wince

Law

plea, suit, plaintiff, defendant, judge, advocate, attorney, bill, petition, complaint, inquest, summons, hue and cry, indictment, jury, juror, panel, felon, evidence, proof, bail, ransom, judgment, verdict, sentence, decree, award, punishment, prison

Fashion and Social Life

apparel, habit, gown, robe, garment, attire, cape, coat, frock, collar, veil, train, chemise, petticoat, lace, embroidery, buckle, button, to embellish, to adorn

colors

blue, brown, vermilion, scarlet, saffron, russet, tawny

fruit, food, herbs, and etc.

raisin, fig, date, grape, orange, lemon, cherry, peach, confection, pasty, tart, jelly, spice, clove, thyme, herb, mustard, vinegar, cinnamon, nutmeg, to roast, to boil, to stew, to fry, to broach, to blanch, to grate, to mince

Art, Learning, and Medicine

art, painting, sculpture, music, beauty, color, figure, image, tone, title, volume, chapter, parchment, paper, pen

Post 1350

adolescence, appellation, tort, combustion, distribution, immensity,
pacification, representation, sumptuous

Other words from French adopted into English:

fashion, gown, robe, lace, button, boot, satin, fur, ruby, pearl, blue
dinner, supper, taste, feast, tension, beef, veal, mutton, pork, toast,
cream, sugar, salad, lettuce, fruit, cherry, peach, herb, roast, boil, stew,
fry, grate, mince, goblet, saucer, plate, platter, table, palace, mansion,
ceiling, chimney, tower, porch, curtain, lamp, medicine, physician,
surgeon, pain, stomach, place, part, use, city, line, state, sure, change,
close, course, pay, please, face, quit, coat, brown, air, country, flower,
hour, manner, noise, number, people, river, able, large, nice, poor, real,
safe, second, carry, move, pass, wait, to preach, to pray, to change, to
repent, to confess, to adore, to sacrifice, to convert, to anoint, to ordain,
to usurp, to oppress, to repeal

Appendix 7
The etymology of irregular verbs in English

List one

Those verbs which entered into English prior to 900:

to arise

to be

to bear

to beat

to become

to break

to burn

can

to cling

to come

to creep

to deal

to do

to draw

to drink

to drive

to drop

to eat

to fall

to feel

to fly

forbear

to forego

to forget

to forgive

to give

to go

to grow

to hang

to have

to hear

to hide

to hold

to know

to lead

to lean

to leap

to learn

to leave

lend

to let

to lie

to light

to lose

to make

may

to mean

to meet

to read

to ride

to ring

to say

to see

to seek

to sell

to send

to set

to sew

to shake

to shear

to shine

to shoot

to show

shrink

to sing

to sit

to slay

to sleep

to sow

to speak

to spin

to spring

to stand

to steal

to string

to swear

to swell

to swim

to swing

to teach

to tear

to tell

to think

to tread

to understand

to wake

to wear

to weave

to weep

to win

to wind

to wring

to write

List two

Those verbs which entered into English prior to 1150:

to awake

to back

to backbite

to begin

to bend

to bind

to bite

to bleed

to blow

to breed

to bring

to build

to burst

to buy

to choose

to feed

to feel

to fight

to forbid

to grind

to hit

to keep

to kneel

to prove

to put

to rise

to run

to shed

to sink

to slide

to slink

to smell

to spend

to spill

to stick

to sting

to stink

to stride

to strike

to take

to throw

List three

Those verbs which entered into English after 1175:

to backslide (entered into English between 1575 to 1585)

to bet (1585-95)

to browbeat (1575-85/ brow (before 1000))

to catch (from Latin and Norman French/ 1175-1275)

to cost (entered English between 1200 to 1275/ Anglo-French)

to cut (entered English between 1175 to 1225 from Old English 'cyttan'
akin to Old Swedish 'kotta' and Old Norse 'kuti')

to dig (entered English between 1275 to 1375/ derived from Old English
'dic' (ditch) which entered into the language before 900)

to fling (entered English between 1275-1300)

to foretell (entered English between 1250-1300)

to get (entered English between 1150-1200 derived from Old Norse 'geta'
(to obtain, to beget)

to hurt (entered English between 1150-1200 derived from Old French
'heuter' and Old Norse 'hrutr')

to lay (entered English between 1300-1350 derived from Middle French)

to pay (entered English between 1150-1200 derived from Middle French 'payen' which had been derived from Old French paier)

to quit (entered English between 1175-1225 derived from Old French 'quite')

to rid (entered English between 1150-1200 derived from Old English 'ryddan' (to trash) which was derived for ryhja (to clear)

to sling (entered English between 1175-1225 derived from Old Norse 'slyngva' (to sling) Old English slingan (to wind or twist)

to slit (entered English between 1175-1225 derived from the Germanic 'schlitzten (to split or slit) Old English 'slite' (a slit), Anglo-Saxon 'slitan' (to tear or break through) Danish 'slide'

to sneak (entered English between 1590-1600 derived from Middle English 'sniken' Old English 'snican'

to spell (entered English between 1250-1300 derived from Old French 'espeller' Old English 'spellian' (to announce) Old High German - spellon Old Norse spjalla

to split (entered English between 1570-1580 derived from Middle English 'splitten' Dutch 'splitten' which is akin to Middle High German 'splizen' German 'spleissen'

to spoil (entered English between 1300-1350 derived from Middle English spoilen Old French espoillier Latin spoliare)

to spread (entered English between 1150-1200 derived from Old English sprædan Middle English spreden)

to strive (entered English between 1175-1225 derived from Middle English 'striven' (to quarrel, to strive) Old French 'estriver' Dutch strijven German 'streben' (to strive)

to sweep (entered English between 1125-1275 derived from Middle English 'swepen' Old English 'gesepa' German 'schweifen')

to thrive (entered English between 1150-1200 derived from Middle English thriven Old Norse 'thrifast' (to thrive)

to thrust (entered English between 1125-1275 derived from Middle English 'thrusten' Old Norse 'thrysta' (to force or press)

to try (entered English between 1250-1300 derived from Middle English 'trien' (to try a legal case) Anglo-French and Old French 'trier' Late Latin tritare (to separate the corn from the stalk) Latin 'trilus' (to thresh corn)