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those of most people. **excéntrico, extraño** ❑ *He is an eccentric character who likes wearing unusual clothes.* **Es un personaje excéntrico que gusta de vestir prendas extravagantes.** ❑ An **eccentric person** is an eccentric person. **excéntrico o excéntrica** ❑ *Askew had a reputation as an eccentric.* **Askew tenía fama de excéntrico.** ❑ **eccentricity** /ɛksɛnˈtrɪsɪti/ N‑VAR (eccentricities) excêntricidad, extravagancia, rareza ❑ *She is unusual to the point of eccentricity.* **Es extraña, al punto de la extravagancia.** ❑ *We all have our eccentricities.* Todos tenemos nuestras rarezas.

**echo** /ɛkˈəʊ/ (echoes, echoing, echoed) ❑ **echo** is a sound caused by a noise being reflected off a surface such as a wall. **eco** ❑ *He heard nothing but the echoes of his own voice.* **No oía nada más que el eco de su propia voz.** ❑ **v‑t** If a sound **echoes**, or a place **echoes with** sounds, sounds are reflected off a surface there and can be heard again. **resonar, retumbar** ❑ *His feet echoed on the floor.* Sus pasos resonaban en el piso. ❑ *The hall echoed with the barking of a dozen dogs.* El vestíbulo retumbaba con los ladridos de una docena de perros. ❑ **v‑t** If you **echo** someone’s words, you repeat what they have said or express the same opinion. **repetir, hacer eco** ❑ *Their views often echo each other.* **Con frecuencia, sus opiniones se hacen eco.** ❑ **N‑COUNT** A detail or feature that reminds you of something else can be referred to as an **echo**. **eco** ❑ *The accident has echoes of past disasters.* **El accidente tiene ecos de pasados desastres.**

→ see Word Web: *echo*
→ see sound

**Word Link**

**eclectic** /ɪˈklɛktɪk/ ADJ An **eclectic collection** of objects, ideas, or beliefs is wide-ranging and comes from many different sources. **ecéltico** [FORMAL] ❑ *…an eclectic collection of paintings, drawings, and prints.* …una ecéltica colección de pinturas, dibujos y grabados.

**eclipse** /ɪklɪps/ (eclipses, eclipsing, eclipsed) ❑ **N‑COUNT** An **eclipse of the sun** is an occasion when the moon is between the Earth and the sun, so that for a short time you cannot see part or all of the sun. An **eclipse of the moon** is an occasion when the Earth is between the sun and the moon, so that for a short time you cannot see part or all of the moon. **eclipse** ❑ *…the solar eclipse on May 21.* ...el eclipse de sol del 21 de mayo. ❑ **v‑t** If one thing is **eclipsed by** a second thing that is bigger, newer, or more important than it, the first thing is no longer noticed because the second thing gets all the attention. **eclipsar, desmerecer** ❑ The space program has been **eclipsed by other needs.** El programa espacial ha sido eclipsado por otras necesidades.

→ see Word Web: *eclipse*

**eco-friendly** ADJ **Eco-friendly** products or services are less harmful to the environment than other similar products or services. **inocuo para el ambiente, amigable con el ambiente, que no daña el ambiente** ❑ *…eco-friendly laundry detergent.* …detergente de lavandería que no daña el ambiente.

**ecological succession** N‑UNCOUNT **Ecological succession** is the process in which one population of plants and animals gradually replaces another population in a particular area as a result of changing environmental conditions. **sucisión ecológica** [TECHNICAL]

**ecology** /ɪkələdʒi/ (ecologies) ❑ **N‑UNCOUNT** **Ecology** is the study of the relationships between plants, animals, people, and their environment, and the balances between these relationships.
**economic**  a professor of ecology. ... a maestro de ecología.  Ecologist n-count (ecologists) 

Ecologists are concerned that these chemicals might be polluting lakes. A los ecologistas les preocupa que estas sustancias químicas puedan contaminar los lagos.  N-var When you talk about the ecology of a place, you are referring to the pattern and balance of relationships between plants, animals, people, and the environment in that place. 

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**ecological** /ˌeɡɒˈnɒmɪk, -ɒmɪk/ adj Economic means concerned with the organization of the money, industry, and trade of a country, region, or society.  economical  economic growth  economic gain

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edgewise /'edʒwɪz/ n phr. If you say that you cannot get a word in edgewise, you are complaining that you do not have the opportunity to speak because someone else is talking so much.

editor /'edɪtə/ n phr. an editor is someone who is specialized in the preparation of a book, magazine, or newspaper, or an item on television or radio, that gives the opinion of the newspaper, network, or radio station. editorial /'edɪtərɪəl/ adj editorial means involving the attitudes, opinions, and contents of something such as a newspaper, magazine, or television program.

effect /ɪ'fɛkt/ n phr. an effect is a change, reaction, or result of something.

edible /'edəbl/ adj something is edible if it is safe to eat and not poisonous.

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effective

effect, side effect, special effect  PHRASE You add in effect to a statement or opinion that you feel is a reasonable description or summary of a particular situation.  de hecho  q. The deal would create, in effect, the world’s biggest airline.  de hecho, con el trato se creó la línea aérea más grande del mundo.  PHRASE When something takes effect, comes into effect, or is put into effect, it begins to apply or starts to have results.  entrar en vigor, hacer efecto  q. The second injection should be given once the first drug takes effect.  La segunda inyección debe ponerse una vez que el primer medicamento haga efecto.  q. These measures were put into effect in 2005.  Estas medidas entraron en vigor en 2005.  PHRASE You use effect in expressions such as to good effect and to no effect in order to indicate how successful or impressive an action is.  resultado  q. The museum is using advertising to good effect.  El museo está utilizando la publicidad con buenos resultados.  PHRASE You use to this effect, to that effect, or to the effect that to indicate that you have given or are giving a summary of something that was said or written, and not the actual words used.  en el sentido de  q. A public warning was issued to this effect.  Se hizo pública una advertencia en ese sentido.

Usage  effect and affect

Effect and affect are often confused. Effect means “to bring about”. Voters hope the election will effect change. Affect means “to change”. The cloudy weather affected his mood.

Word Partnership  Usar effective con:

N.  energy efficient, fuel efficient, efficient method, efficient system, efficient use of something

ADV.  highly efficient

effort /eFərt/ (efforts) N‑VAR If you make an effort to do something, you try very hard to do it.  esfuerzo  q. He made no effort to hide his disappointment.  No hizo ningún esfuerzo por ocultar su desilusión.  q. Finding a cure takes a lot of time and effort.  Se necesita mucho tiempo y esfuerzo para encontrar una cura.  N‑UNCOUNT, N‑SING If you do something with effort, or if it is an effort, you mean it is difficult to do.  con esfuerzo, con trabajos [WRITTEN]  q. She sat up slowly and with great effort.  Se sentó lentamente y con gran esfuerzo.  q. Carrying the equipment while hiking in the forest was an effort.  Costaba trabajo llevar el equipo y caminar por la selva.

Thesaurus  effort  Ver también:

N.  attempt 1 

effort force N‑UNCOUNT In physics, effort force is force that is used to move an object.  [fuerza de esfuerzo [TECHNICAL]]

EFL /ei ‑fl/ N‑UNCOUNT EFL is the teaching of English to people whose first language is not English.  EFL is an abbreviation for “English as a Foreign Language.”  EFL, inglés como lengua extranjera  q.  …an EFL teacher.  …un maestro de inglés como lengua extranjera.
She was laughing and egging him on.

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say anything to her, and she did not speak to him either. El no le dijo nada, y ella tampoco le habló.  
<e>election</e> You can use either to introduce a noun that refers to each of two things when you are talking about both of them. <i>cada, uno y otro</i> The basketball nets hung down from the ceiling at either end of the gym. Las redes de básquetbol colgaban del techo en cada extremo del gimnasio.

**Word Link**

**eject** /ɪdʒɪkt/ (ejecting, ejected) v‑t 1 If you <i>eject</i> someone from a place, you force them to leave. expulsar, echar 2 Officials used guard dogs to <i>eject</i> the protesters. Los policías utilizaron perros guardianes para expulsar a los manifestantes.  
**ejection** /ɪdʒɪkʃən/ n‑var (ejections) expulsión 3 the <i>ejection</i> of the New York Mets’ manager from Saturday night’s game. …la expulsión del manager de los Mets de Nueva York del juego del sábado en la noche.  
**elaborate** (elaborates, elaborating, elaborated) adj The adjective is pronounced /ɪləbərət/. The verb is pronounced /ɪləbərət/.  
1 <i>ADJ</i> You use <i>elaborate</i> to describe something that is very complex because it has a lot of different parts. complicado, complejo, elaborado 2 …an elaborate research project. …un complicado proyecto de investigación.  
**elaborate ly** adv minuciosamente, de manera minuciosa  
3 It was an elaborately planned operation. Fue una operación planeada minuciosamente.  
**elapse** /ɪlæps/ (elapses, elapsing, elapsed) v‑i 1 When time <i>elapse</i>s, it passes. transcurrir, pasar [FORMAL] 2 Forty-eight hours have elapsed since his arrest. Han pasado cuarenta y ocho horas desde que lo arrestaron.  
**elastic** /ɪləstɪk/ n‑uncount Elastic is a rubbery material that stretches when you pull it and returns to its original size and shape when you let it go. liga, elástico  
1 It has a piece of elastic that goes around the back of the head. Lleva un elástico que se pasa por detrás de la cabeza.  
2 ADJ Something that is <i>elastic</i> is able to stretch easily. elástico  
3 Beat the dough until it is slightly elastic. Bate la masa hasta que quede ligeramente elástica.

**elated** /ɪleɪtəd/ adj If you are <i>elated</i>, you are extremely happy and excited because of something that has happened. eufórico  
1 was elated by the news. Las noticias me pusieron eufórico.

**election** /ɪləʃən/ n‑uncount The election is a process in which people vote to choose a person or group of people to hold an official position. elección …the country’s first free elections for more than fifty years. …las primeras elecciones libres del país en más de cincuenta años.  
2 ADJ His election campaign. …su campaña para las elecciones.

**elbow** /ˈelboʊ/ (elbows, elbowing, elbowed) n‑var 1 Your <i>elbow</i> is the joint where your arm bends in the middle. <i>codo</i> 2 He slipped and fell, badly bruising an elbow. Se lastimó mucho el codo por un resbalón que acabé en caída.  
2 ADJ If you elbow people aside or elbow your way somewhere, you push people with your elbows in order to move somewhere. dar codazos, empujar con los codos. Jake came up to her, elbowing Susan aside. Jake se acercó a ella empujando a Susan con los codos.  
3 to rub elbows with → see rub  
→ see body

**elder** /ˈeldər/ (elders) 1 adj The elder of two people is the one who was born first. mayor  
2 adj his elder brother. …su hermano mayor.  
3 n‑count A person’s <i>elder</i> is someone who is older than them, especially someone quite a lot older. mayor [FORMAL]  
4 They have no respect for their elders. No muestran respeto por sus mayores.  
5 n‑count In some societies, an <i>elder</i> is one of the respected older people who have influence and authority. anciano 2 …a meeting of tribal elders. …una reunión de los ancianos de la tribu.

**elderly** /ˈeldərli/ adj You use elderly as a polite way of saying that someone is old. anciano, de la tercera edad  
1 There was an elderly couple on the porch. Había una pareja de ancianos en el porche.  
2 The elderly are people who are old. personas de la tercera edad.  
3 …health care for the elderly. …servicios de salud para los ancianos.  
→ see age

**eldest** /ˈeldɪst/ adj The eldest person in a group is the one who was born before all the others. mayor  
1 The eldest child was a daughter. Su hijo mayor fue niña.  
2 David was the eldest of three boys. David fue el mayor de tres niños.

**elect** /ɪlkɪt/ (elects, electing, elected) v‑t 1 When people <i>elect</i> someone, they choose that person to represent them, by voting for them. elegir, nombrar  
2 The people have voted to elect a new president. El pueblo ha votado para elegir al nuevo presidente.  
4 ADJ If you <i>elect</i> to do something, you choose to do it. decidir [FORMAL]  
5 He elected to stay in India. Decidió quedarse en la India.  
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