

American English***British English***

antenna	aerial
mad	angry
anyplace	anywhere
fall	autumn
bill	bank note
attorney	barrister, solicitor
cookie	biscuit
hood	bonnet
trunk	boot
suspenders	braces
janitor	caretaker
drug store	chemist's
french fries	chips
the movies	the cinema
rubber	condom
patrolman	constable
stove	cooker
wheat	corn, wheat
crib	cot
thread	cotton
wreck	crash
intersection	crossroads
drapes	curtains
checkers	draughts
thumbtack	drawing pin
divided highway	dual carriageway
pacifier	dummy
trashcan	dustbin, rubbish-bin
garbage can	dustbin, rubbish-bin

garbage collector	dustman
generator	dynamo
motor	engine
engineer	engine driver
movie	film
apartment	flat
overpass	flyover
yard	garden
gear-shift	gear-lever
alumnus	graduate
boiler	grill
first floor	ground floor
rubbers	gumshoes, wellington boots
sneakers	gym shoes, tennis-shoes
purse	handbag
billboard	hoarding
vacation	holiday
vacuum cleaner	hoover
sick	ill
intermission	interval
sweater	jersey, jumper, pullover, sweater
pitcher	jug
elevator	lift
truck	lorry
baggage	luggage
raincoat	mackintosh, raincoat
crazy	mad
highway	main road
corn	maize
math	maths
stingy	mean

freeway	motorway
diaper	nappy
vicious, mean	nasty
nowhere	nowhere
private hospital	nursing home
optometrist	optician
liquor store	off-license
kerosene	paraffin
sidewalk	pavement
peek	peep
gasoline	petrol
mail	post
mailbox	postbox
mailman, mail carrier	postman
potato chips	potato crisps
baby carriage	pram
bar	pub
restroom	public toilet
blow-out	puncture
stroller	push-chair
line	queue
railroad	railway
railway car	railway carriage
spool of thread	reel of cotton
round trip	return (ticket)
call collect	reverse charges
raise	rise (in salary)
pavement	road surface
traffic circle	roundabout
eraser	rubber
garbage, trash	rubbish

sedan	saloon (car)
Scotch tape	sellotape
store	shop
muffler	silencer
one-way	single (ticket)
someplace	somewhere
wrench	spanner
faculty	staff (of a university)
oil pan	sump
dessert	sweet
candy	sweets
faucet	tap
spigot	tap (outdoors)
cab	taxi
dish-towel	tea-towel
semester	term
pantyhose	tights
schedule	timetable
can	tin
turnpike	toll motorway
flashlight	torch
hobo	tramp
pants	trousers
cuffs	turn-ups
subway	underground railway
shorts	underpants
shoulder (of road)	verge (of road)
vest	waistcoat
closet	wardrobe
wash up	wash your hands
windshield	windscreen

fender

wing

zipper

zip

Infinitive	Simple past (Br)	Simple past (Am)	Past participle (Br)	Past participle (Am)
burn	burned/ burnt	burned/ burnt	burned/ burnt	burned/ burnt
bust	bust	busted	bust	busted
dive	dived	dove/ dived	dived	dived
dream	dreamed/ dreamt	dreamed/ dreamt	dreamed/ dreamt	dreamed/ dreamt
get	got	got	got	gotten
lean	leaned/ leant	leaned	leaned/ leant	leaned
learn	learned/ learnt	learned	learned/ learnt	learned
plead	pleaded	pleaded/ pled	pleaded	pleaded/ pled
prove	proved	proved	proved	proved/ proven
saw	sawed	sawed	sawn	sawn/ sawed

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smell	smelled/ smelt	smelled	smelled/ smelt	smelled
spill	spilled/ spilt	spilled	spilled/ spilt	spilled
spoil	spoiled/ spoilt	spoiled/ spoilt	spoiled/ spoilt	spoiled/ spoilt
stink	stank	stank/ stunk	stunk	stunk
wake	woke	woke/ waked	woken	woken

BRITISH	US
colour	color
flavour	flavor
humour	humor
labour	labor
neighbour	neighbor

Verbs in British English that can be spelled with either 'ize' or 'ise' at the end are always spelled with 'ize' at the end in American English:

BRITISH	US
apologize or apologise	Apologize
organize or organise	Organize
recognize or recognise	Recognize

Verbs in British English that end in 'yse' are always spelled 'yze' in American English:

BRITISH	US
analyse	analyze
breathalyse	breathalyze
paralyse	paralyze

In British spelling 'L' is doubled in verbs ending in a vowel plus 'L'. In American English, the 'L' is not doubled:

BRITISH	US
<i>travel</i>	<i>travel</i>
travelled	traveled
travelling	traveling
traveller	traveler

British English words that are spelled with the double vowels **ae** or **oe** tend to be just spelled with an **e** in American English: Although there are exceptions to the rule. For example archaeology is spelt in the same way as British English but archeology would be acceptable in America but is incorrect in the UK.

BRITISH	US
leukaemia	leukemia
manoeuvre	maneuver
oestrogen	estrogen
paediatric	pediatric

Some nouns that end with '*ence*' in British English are spelled '*ense* in American English:'

BRITISH	US
defence	defense
licence	license
offence	offense
pretence	pretense

Some nouns that end with '*ogue*' in British English end with either '*og*' or '*ogue* in American English:

BRITISH	US
analogue	analog or analogue
catalogue	catalog or catalogue
dialogue	dialog or dialogue