

England – Glossary

antler noun [countable]

one of the horns on the head of a male deer

area noun [countable]

a part of a city, town, country etc

My family has lived in this area of England for years.

athlete noun [countable]

someone who is good at sports, especially athletics, and takes part in sports competitions

attack verb [intransitive/transitive]

to use violence to harm a person, animal, or place

average noun [countable/uncountable]

the amount, level, standard etc that is typical of a group of people or things

background noun [countable]

the part of a picture or pattern that is behind the main people or things in it. The main person or thing is in the foreground.

a red cross on a white background

celebration noun [countable]

a party or special event at which you celebrate something such as a birthday or a religious holiday

cross noun [countable]

a shape with one long upright line and one shorter line across it, used as a symbol of Christianity

deer noun [countable]

a large brown animal with long thin legs. The adult male deer is called a stag and may have antlers growing from its head. The female deer is called a doe and a young deer is called a fawn.

extreme adjective

very great in degree

fit verb [intransitive]

if someone or something fits somewhere, they are small enough or the right size and shape to go there

form verb [intransitive]

to make something start to exist or develop

large adjective

bigger than usual in size

league noun [countable]

a group of teams or players who regularly compete against one another, put in order according to how many points they have won

life expectancy noun [countable/uncountable]

the length of time that someone is likely to live

male adjective

belonging to the sex that does not give birth

a male elephant

mild adjective

mild weather is warm and pleasant, especially warmer than usual for the time of year

a mild winter

patron saint noun [countable]

a saint who is believed to protect a particular place, activity, or group of people

St Nicholas is the patron saint of children.

professional adjective

showing a high level of skill or training

rule noun [countable]

a statement explaining what someone can or cannot do in a particular system, game, or situation

the basic rules of the game

settle verb [intransitive]

to go and live permanently in a particular place

Her relatives had come to America and settled in Boston.

tribe noun [countable]

a large group of related families who live in the same area and share a common language, religion, and customs

Native American tribes

tunnel noun [countable]

an underground passage through which vehicles travel

weigh verb

to have a particular weight

wild adjective

a wild animal or plant lives or grows on its own in natural conditions and is not raised by humans