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## the word up

Posted by l2teach - 2005/02/11 07:19

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### The Word UP

So a 2-letter word has a hundred completely different meanings. So what is this stuff about English being easy?

There is a two-letter word that perhaps has more meaning than any other two- letter word, and that is "UP."

It's easy to understand UP, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but when we waken in the morning, why do we wake UP?

At a meeting, why does a topic come UP? Why do we speak UP and why are the officers UP for election and why is it UP to the secretary to write UP a report?

We call UP our friends And we use it to brighten UP a room, polish UP the silver, we warm UP the leftovers and clean UP the kitchen. We lock UP the house and some guys fix UP the old car.

At other times the little word has real special meaning. People stir UP trouble, line UP for tickets, work UP an appetite, and think UP excuses.

To be dressed is one thing but to be dressed UP is special. And this UP is confusing:

A drain must be opened UP because it is stopped UP.

We open UP a store in the morning but we close it UP at night.

We seem to be pretty mixed UP about UP!

To be knowledgeable of the proper uses of UP, look UP the word in the dictionary. In a desk size dictionary, the word UP, takes UP almost 1/4th the page and definitions add UP to about thirty.

If you are UP to it, you might try building UP a list of the many ways UP is used. It will take UP a lot of your time, but if you don't give UP, you may wind UP with a hundred or more.

When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding UP . When the sun comes out we say it is clearing UP.

When it rains, it wets UP the earth. When it doesn't rain for awhile, things dry UP.

One could go on and on, but I'll wrap it UP, for now my time is UP, so.....  
I'll shut UP

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## Re:the word up

Posted by Halfdollar - 2005/02/11 07:32

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and, you're right----

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WORD UP!!!

Funny teach...  
you girls are full of humor!

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### Re:the word up

Posted by dbmcmommy - 2005/02/11 10:27

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Wow teach! There is nothing like catching UP on the many uses for UP. Thanks for the eye opener. I really hadn't noticed that before but it is so true!

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### Re:the word up

Posted by netty - 2005/05/29 09:29

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What an interesting observation. What made that come UP in your mind? LOL

Any other words to add to this thread?

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### Re:the word up

Posted by Nadia - 2005/08/06 22:02

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OMG, this is just crazy LOL.....

What's up

Sign up

Stacks up

Trickle up

Pop-up

Follow up

Speak up

Revenues up

Shape up

TIME'S up

Soak up

High up

Get up

Coming up

Clean up

Open up

Dial up

Clean yourself up

Show up

Mix Things up

Load it up

Dress up

Step up

Touch up

Put it up

Gear up  
Earn up to  
Acting up  
Setting up  
Set up  
Walk-up  
With up to date  
It's up to you  
Line-up  
Up & Running  
Brought up  
Up north  
Up front  
Up for Grabs  
Up  
Hold up  
Engines up  
Save up  
Roll-up  
Pair up  
Wind up  
Mess-up  
Give up  
Look up  
Make up  
Keeping up  
Hooking up  
Blow up  
Back up  
Bike Up  
Slip-Up

I may have duplicated on some but I'm an up to my ears with ups LOL never thought about how we use UP just thought of another one 7up ok I better stop my mind is messed up now.

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### Re:the word up

Posted by 2cents - 2005/08/07 04:44

Shut-up!!! :blink: :unsure:

Way cool ! B)

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### Re:the word up

Posted by momof2gg24 - 2005/08/11 17:42

How about GIVE UP????????????????

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### Re:the word up

Posted by Halfdollar - 2005/08/11 20:50

Hey----was Michigan UP in there????? :ohmy: :laugh:

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