

Interesting English Words

- **Strengths** is the longest English word (9 letters) containing only one vowel.
- **Dreamt** is the only English word that ends with "-mt".
- **Underground** is the only English word that begins and ends with "und".
- The longest 1-syllable English words are **screeched**, **scrunched** and **strengths** (9 letters).
- There are only four English words which finish with "-dous": **tremendous**, **horrendous**, **stupendous**, **hazardous**.
- The word **therein** is a seven-letter word that contains nine other words, without rearranging any of its letters: - herein, there, here, rein, the, her, ere, he, in.
- No words rhyme with **orange**, **silver**, **purple** or **month**.
- **Stewardesses** is the longest English word that is usually typed using only the left hand on a keyboard.
- The combination of letters "ough" can be pronounced in eight different ways. The following sentence contains them all: "*A rough-coated, dough-faced, thoughtful ploughman strode through the streets of Scarborough while coughing and hiccoughing.*"
- **Rhythms** is the longest English word (7 letters) without vowels (although many people regard the letter 'y' as a sixth vowel).
- The longest English words with no repeated letters are **dermatoglyphics** (15 letters), **misconjugatedly** (15 letters) and **uncopyrightables** (16 letters).
- The longest English word whose letters are in alphabetical order is **Aegilops** (8 letters), a grass genus. There are some smaller words too (6 letters): **almost**, **biopsy**, **chintz**.
- English words which contain all the vowels, once each, and in alphabetical order, include **facetious**, **abstemious**, **affectious**, and **tragedious**.
- The longest English palindrome is **rotavator** (9 letters), a tool used on farms.
- The longest word, according to the Oxford English Dictionary, is **pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis** (45 letters). Other long words include **deinstitutionalization** and **counterrevolutionaries** (both 22 letters). The longest commonly-used word is **uncharacteristically** (20 letters). **Smiles**, however, may be considered to be the longest word in English, because there is a mile between the first and last letters!

Source: <https://www.antimoon.com/forum/t80.htm>

Here are some more palindromes:

- Noel sees Leon.
- Too hot to hoot.
- Yo – banana boy!
- No lemon, no melon.
- A man, a plan, a canal – Panama.
- Evil rats on no star live.
- No mists or frost, Simon.
- Marge let a moody baby doom a telegram.
- Sir, I demand, I am a maid named Iris.
- Evil is a name of a foeman as I live.

Many more here: <https://www2.cs.arizona.edu/icon/oddsends/palinsen.htm>

Some Portuguese palindromes:

- ralar
- sacas
- Roma me tem amor.
- Socorram-me, subi no ônibus em Marrocos!
- A mala nada na lama.
- A grama é amarga.
- A Rita, sobre vovô, verbos atira.
- Anotaram a data da maratona.
- A mãe te ama.

Source: <https://www.normaculta.com.br/palindromo-exemplos-de-palavras-e-frases/>