WELSH ENGLISH

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A large number of Welsh words look like unrelated English words. The following collection is restricted to English words appearing in the Merriam-Webster Pocket Dictionary, or simple derivatives thereof (plurals, past tenses, participles); many more are obviously possible if larger dictionaries are allowed.

ACHES eloquence AFAR grief, sorrow AFRAID unnecessary AIL second time

AM about

ARAB facetious, merry

ARCH ask, quiz

BAD boat BALED ballad BAN horn BARN judgment

BATH kind, sort BAWD thumb, toe BERTH beautiful BLEW furry, hairy BLINDER weariness BORE morning

BOTH nave, wheel hub

BRAD treason BRAG malt

BRAN crow, raven BRAS coarse, fat BRAT cloth, rag BRAWL bragging

BRIG top

BUN maid, maiden

CAD battle, army CALL wise, rational CAMP exploit, deed CAMPUS excellent, grand

CAN flour CANT rim, circle

CARE friend, kinsman

CARP rag CAST knack CAT bit, piece, fragment CLAMP mass, monster

CLAP lump

CLOD fame, renown CLOG cloak, coat

COB cliff, embankment

COD bag, pouch

COG cook COP spider

COT coat, jacket CREST crust, scurf CRIB crest, ridge CUR ache, hurt, pain

CURIO to pine, waste away

CUT hovel, shed

DARN fragment, piece DAWN gift, talent DIAL avenge

DIG angry, wrathful

DlM any, none

DO yes, of course, sure DOE yesterday

DOT giddiness DRAIN thorns DUG duke

FELLY so, thus

GO rather, somewhat

HAD seed HAUL sun HAWS easier

HELM helmet, stack HEM border, rivet HEN old, aged

HER challenge

HOE rest HUN sleep, slumber

ILL both, they
IS inferior, lower

MAD good
MAIN slender, thin
MALL blight
MAN blemish, spot
MANE fine, pretty
MARCH horse, stallion
MATH sort, kind
MEW cart, wagon
MESA to gather acorns
MUD dumb, mute

NAG thorn NEB none, not any NOD mark, token NOS night

OFFER gear, tools

PA what, which PAIR cauldron, furnace PALL mantle, tent PAN when PANE to bog down PANT vale, hollow PAR lance, spear PARCH respected PARED partition, divider PAST paste PAWL pole, stake PEN chief, top PER delicious, sweet PERSON clergyman PlG spike, point, beak PILL defense, post, branch PlN pine tree PLAID side, party PLANED planet PLANT child PLANTAIN children PLOD plaid, tartan PUMP five PUNT pound sterling

SAD firm, steady SANG pressure, tread SAIL base, foundation SAWS sauce SEW sap, juice SILL syllable SIR shire, county SON talk, rumor STARTS starch STOMP bungle, muddle

TAIL dung, manure
TAN until, as far
TARO hit, smite
TAW silence
TIN bottom, tail
TO roof, generation
TOES dough
TOM dirt, dung, mire
TON wave, billow
TOR belly, palm of hand, break
TORCH coil, wreath

US chaff