

SPICES OF LIFE

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Great chefs earn their reputations through the creative use of spices in the preparation of their repasts. Now it's your opportunity to join the ranks of logological gourmands as you peruse the offerings that follow. Although these words are seemingly unrelated, they mask sixteen savory additives that are guaranteed to titillate your tastebuds.

Half of these words require the removal of a single letter from each specimen, after which appropriate rearrangement will expose the desired condiment. To wit, when "L" is eradicated from the word METHYL, permutation of the remaining five letters yields THYME. Each member of the other octet cries out for a supplemental letter, thereby leading to the revelation of the requisite spice after some symbolic juggling. For example, were one to add an "L" to the word LID, a bunch of DILL emerges from the quartet of letters that ensue.

Now that your appetite has been suitably whetted, proceed to load up your spice rack as completely as possible.

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| 1. | AFFRONTS | 9. | NOTION |
| 2. | AUGMENT | 10. | ORANGE |
| 3. | BIALYS | 11. | PEARLS |
| 4. | CLARION | 12. | RECRUIT |
| 5. | CORDWAINER | 13. | REIGN |
| 6. | EASING | 14. | ROAMERS |
| 7. | GLACIER | 15. | SOLVE |
| 8. | GUARANTOR | 16. | VICES |