

REMOVING MULTIPLE DOUBLED LETTERS TO MAKE WORDS

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Over the years, various articles have listed words having 2 doubled letters.

This article goes a stage further requiring that, after the removal of all the doubled letters, be it 2 or more, a WORD remains.

Definitions of some of the words listed below:

Jola – an ethnic group in Sengal Jaakkola – a Finnish surname Aqqaa – in Tunisia
addoom – to award Reebbay – place in Somalia cheekke - check tiffoon - typhoon
Styggaa – stream in Norway beggoon - begum urhheen – Chinese fiddle Iikka – surname
Hiippo – house in Finland chiirre – to coo like a pigeon miitte – may allaas – alas
lladd - Welsh: to kill, cut llawdde - Welsh: skilful alliin – an amino acid found in garlic
mimmood – primly reticent Annaas – in Bible Blennid – a fish annuum – species name of plant
genus Capsicum Budennyy – in Kyrgystan chookka – a computer communications tool
hooqqa – var. ‘hookah’ Appii – in Italy Harraa – in Somalia Pettece – in Peru
Suuppo – in Finland, also a surname Avveel – in Finland powwaa – powwow
Yymman – a first name Sumyynn bulak – spring in Mongolia Ayyoogh – in Iran
Hyypa – in Finland Nyysola – surname, also a place in Finland Pyytti – island in Finland
Azzaa – both a first name and a surname

2 PAIRS OF ADJACENT DOUBLED LETTERS

JAAKKOLA – AAKK = JOLA

AAQQA – AAQQ = A

SUCCEED – CCEE = SUD

RACCOON – CCOO = RAN

NODDEE – DDEE = NO

ADDOOM – DDOO = AM

REEBBAY – EEBB = RAY

CHEEKKE – EEKK = CHE

TEESSIDE – EESS = TIDE

TOFFEE – FFEE = TO

COFFEES – FFEE = COS

BUFFOON – FFOO = BUN

TIFFOON – FFOO = TIN

STYGGAA – GGAA = STY

BEGGOON – GGoo = BEN

URHHEEN – HHEE = URN

IIKKA – IIKK = A

CHIIRRE – IIRR = CHE

ALLAAS – LLAA = AS

LLAWDDE – LLDD = AWE

ALLIIN – LLII = AN

HALLOO – LLOO = HA

MIMMOOD – MMOO = MID

ANNAAS – NNAA = AS

UNNOOSED – NNOO = USED

ANNUUM – NNUU = AM

CHOOKKA – OOKK = CHA

HOOQQA – OOQQ = HA

APPII – PPII = A

HARRAA – RRAA = HA

BASSOON – SSOO = BAN

PETTCCE – TTCC = PEE

TATTOO – TTOO = TA

SUUPPO – UUPP = SO

AVVEEL – VVEE = AL

BOWWOOD – WWOO = BOD

YYMMAN – YYMM = AN

AYYOOGH – YYOO = AGH

NYSSOLA – YYSS = NOLA

AZZAA – ZZAA = A

HIIPPO – IIPP = HO

MIITTE – IITT = ME

LLADD – LLDD = A

COLLEEN – LLEE = CON

BALLOONS – LLOO = BANS

BLENNIID – NNII = BLED

BUDENNY – NNY – BUDE

ROOMMATE – OOMM = RATE

GAZETTEER – TTEE = GAZER

UUSIMAA (surname) – UU AA = SIM

POWWAA – WWAA = PO

SUMYYNN – YYNN = SUM

HYYPPA – YYPP = HA

PYYTTI – YYTT = PI

2 PAIRS OF NON-ADJACENT DOUBLED LETTERS

So far, both the doubled letters being considered have occurred together, with no letter/s between them. It is rare that a word can be made by extracting 2 pairs of doubled letters when they do not occur together, such as:

EEVENOO (Scot: very hungry) – EE OO = VEN

BENNETT (a first name) – NN TT = BEE

MATTRESS – TT SS = MARE

OOJIBOO (a thing whose name one forgets) – OO OO = JIB - in which both pairs of doubled letters are the same and occur at the beginning and end of the word.

NEUSIOOC (an American Indian Tribe) – UU OO = NESIC (surname)

Being able to remove more than 2 pairs of doubled letters from a word to leave another word is rare:

3 PAIRS OF DOUBLED LETTERS

TENNESSEE – NN SSEE = TEE

HEELLESS – EELL SS = HE

4 PAIRS OF DOUBLED LETTERS

SUBBOOKKEEPER – BBOOKKEE = SUPER

Arsuup UUMMANNA is an island in Greenland UUMMANNA – UUMM NNA = A

