

ETYMOLOGY PROJECT

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STAR



- **Pronounced:**[Stahr]
- **Function:** Noun
- **Definition:** 1.) any of the heavenly bodies except the moon, appearing as fixed luminous points in the sky at night
2.) a person's destiny, fortune, influenced and determined by the stars
- **Origin:** 900, Old English steorra, from Proto-Germanic *sterron,



MORE ABOUT STAR



- Astrological sense of "influence of planets and zodiac on human affairs" is recorded from mid-13c.
- Stars as a ranking of quality for hotels, restaurants, etc. are attested from 1886
- Brass star as a police badge is recorded from 1859 (New York City).

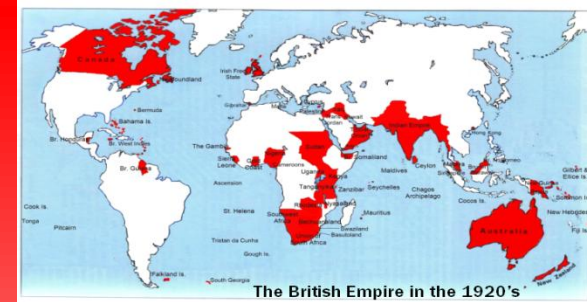


RED

Red

- **Pronounced:** [red]
- **Function:** noun
- **Definition:** 1.) any of various colors resembling the color of blood; the primary color at one extreme end of the visible spectrum, an effect of light with a wavelength between 610 and 780 nm.
- **Origin:** 1297, Association in Europe of red with revolutionary politics (on notion of blood and violence)

MORE ABOUT RED



- The color as characteristic of "British possessions" on a map is attested from 1885.
- To see red "get angry" is an American English expression first recorded 1898.
- Red light as a sign to stop is from 1849, long before traffic signals.
- Red-blooded "vigorous, spirited" is recorded from 1877.
- Red carpet "sumptuous welcome"
- is from 1934.



BASKETBALL

- Pronounced: [bas-kit-bawl]
- Function: noun
- Definition: 1.) a game played by two teams of usually five players each on a rectangular court having a raised basket or goal at each end, points being scored by tossing the ball through the opponent's basket.

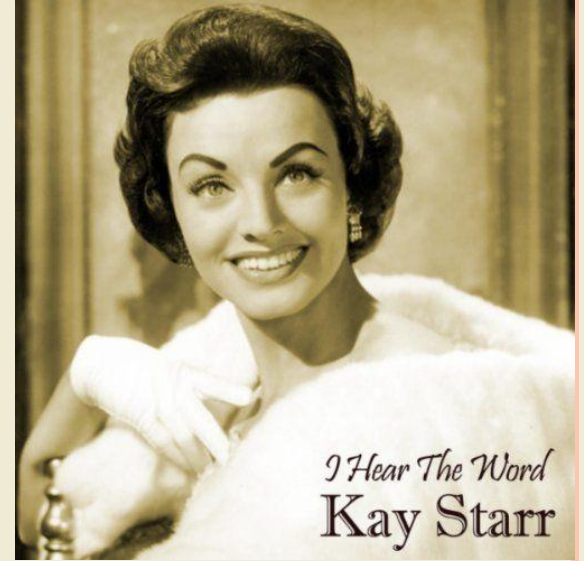


MORE ABOUT BASKETBALL

- Definition 2.) The round, inflated ball, approximately 30 inches (76 cm) in circumference, used in this game.
Origin: 1890–95, American, English;
basket + ball
- The game was invented 1891 by James A. Naismith), physical education instructor in Springfield, Massachusetts, U.S.



KAY



- Pronounced: [K]
- Function: Noun
- Definition: a female or male given name: from a Greek word meaning “rejoice.”
- Origin: As a given name for girls, from 1890s in the U.S.; in the top 100 for girls born there 1936-1945.
- In 1890 the U.S began to use it in a replace of the name “Katherine”



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