



Onomatopoeia Word List

Definition: Onomatopoeia is the formation of a word from a sound associated with what is named (e.g. *buzz*, *crash*, *meow*).

No.	Onomatopoeia	Sound Described	Category
1	Bang	Loud explosive sound	Explosions / Impact
2	Boom	Deep, echoing explosion	Explosions / Impact
3	Crash	Sudden impact or breaking	Collisions / Damage
4	Clang	Metallic ringing sound	Metal
5	Clink	Light metallic sound	Metal
6	Click	Light snapping sound	Machines / Buttons
7	Ding	Small bell or timer	Bells
8	Dong	Large bell toll	Bells
9	Buzz	Bee or electric sound	Insects / Devices
10	Hiss	Snake or escaping gas	Animals / Gas
11	Roar	Lion or engine	Animals / Machines
12	Meow	Cat	Animals
13	Bark	Dog	Animals
14	Woof	Dog (friendly sound)	Animals
15	Quack	Duck	Animals
16	Moo	Cow	Animals
17	Neigh	Horse	Animals
18	Oink	Pig	Animals
19	Ribbit	Frog	Animals
20	Chirp	Bird	Animals
21	Caw	Crow	Animals
22	Croak	Frog / Crow	Animals
23	Crackle	Fire burning	Fire / Heat
24	Pop	Small explosion or bursting	Balloons / Cooking
25	Sizzle	Frying food	Cooking / Fire
26	Snap	Breaking stick, fingers	Impact / Actions
27	Smack	Slap or kiss	Actions
28	Slap	Hand hitting skin	Actions
29	Thud	Heavy object falling	Impact
30	Thump	Low, heavy hit	Impact
31	Tick	Clock ticking	Time / Mechanisms
32	Tock	Clock alternate tick	Time / Mechanisms
33	Ring	Telephone or bell	Devices / Bells

No.	Onomatopoeia	Sound Described	Category
34	Tinkle	Light bell or glass sound	Glass / Bells
35	Whirr	Fast spinning or motor	Machines
36	Whizz	Fast movement through air	Speed
37	Whoosh	Rushing air	Wind / Speed
38	Splash	Something in water	Water
39	Drip	Droplet of water	Water
40	Gurgle	Flowing or bubbling liquid	Water / Throat
41	Slosh	Water being moved around	Water
42	Plop	Object falling in liquid	Water
43	Snore	Sleeping sound	Human sounds
44	Yawn	Sound when tired	Human sounds
45	Giggle	Light laugh	Human sounds
46	Groan	Pain or complaint sound	Human sounds
47	Sneeze	Achoo!	Human sounds
48	Cough	Human throat sound	Human sounds
49	Murmur	Low indistinct speech	Human speech
50	Screech	High-pitched scream or brake noise	Fear / Tires