## Two-letter word list and their meanings

[101 words]

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**AA:** n pl. –S rough, cindery lava

**AB:** n pl –S an abdominal muscle

**AD:** n pl -S an advertisement

**AE:** adj one

**AG:** *adj* pertaining to agriculture

**AH:** *interj* used to express delight, relief or contempt

**AI:** n pl. –S a three-toed sloth

**AL:** n pl. –S an East Indian tree

**AM:** present  $1^{st}$  person sing. of *BE* 

**AN:** *indefinite article* used before words beginning with a vowel

**AR:** n pl. –S the letter R

**AS:** *adv* to the same degree

**AT:** *prep* in the position of

AW: interj used to express protest, disgust or disbelief

**AX:** v –ED. –ING, -ES to work with an ax [a type of cutting tool]

**AY:** n pl. –S aye

**BA:** n pl. –S the eternal soul in Egyptian mythology

BE: v AM, ARE, ART, WAS, WERE, WAST, WERT, BEEN, BEING to have actuality

**BI:** n pl. -S a bisexual

**BO:** *n* pl. –S a pal

**BY:** *n* pl. a pass in certain card games

**DE:** prep of; from [used in names]

**DO:** *n* pl. –S the first tone of the diatonic scale

**ED:** *n* pl. –S education

**EF:** n pl. -S the letter F

**EH:** *interj* used to express doubt

**EL:** *n* pl. –S an elevated railroad or train

**EM:** n pl. -S the letter M

**EN:** n pl. –S the letter N

**ER:** *interj* used to express hesitation

**ES:** *n* pl. *ESES* the letter *S* [also spelled *ESS*]

ET: a past tense of EAT

**EX:** *n* pl. *EXES* the letter *X* 

**FA:** n pl. –S the fourth tone of the diatonic musical scale

**FE:** n pl. –S a Hebrew letter

GO: v WENT, GONE, GOING, GOES to move along

**HA:** n pl. –S a sound of surprise

**HE:** n pl. –S a male person

**HI:** *interj* used to express thoughtful consideration

**HO:** *interj* used to express surprise

**ID:** n pl. –S a part of the psyche

**IF:** n pl. -S a possibility

**IN:** *v INNED*, *INNING*, *INS* to harvest

**IS:** present  $3^{rd}$  person singular of *BE* 

**IT:** *pron* the 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular, neuter, all three cases

**JO:** n pl. –ES a sweetheart

**KA:** *n* pl. –S the spiritual self of a human being in Egyptian religion

**KI:** *n.* pl. –S the vital force in Chinese thought

**LA:** n pl. –S the sixth tone of the diatonic musical scale

**LI:** *n* pl. –S a Chinese unit of distance

**LO:** *interj* used to attract attention or to express surprise

**MA:** n pl. -S mother

**ME:** pron the objective case of the pronoun I

MI: n pl. -S the third tone of the diatonic musical scale

MM: interj used to express assent or satisfaction

**MO:** n pl. –S a moment

**MU:** *n* pl. –S a Greek letter

**MY:** pron the possessive form of the pronoun I

NA: adv no; not

**NE:** *adj* born with the name of [also *NEE*]

**NO:** *n* pl. NOS or NOES a negative reply

**NU:** *n* pl. –S a Greek letter

**OD:** n pl. –S a hypothetical force of natural power

**OE:** n pl. –S a whirlwind off the Faeroe Islands

**OF:** *prep* coming from

**OH:** v –ED, -ING, -S to exclaim in surprise, pain or desire

**OI:** interj oy

**OM:** *n* pl. –S a mantra used in contemplation of ultimate reality

**ON:** *n* pl. –S the side of the wicket where a batsman stands in cricket

**OP:** n pl. –S a style of abstract art

**OR:** n pl. –S the heraldic color gold

**OS:** n pl. -S, ORS, OSSA, or OSAR either an orifice, a bone, or an esker

**OW:** *interj* used to express sudden pain

**OX:** *n* pl. *OXEN* or *OXES* a hoofed mammal or clumsy person

**OY:** *interj* used to express dismay or pain

**PA:** n pl. –S father

**PE:** n pl. –S a Hebrew letter

**PI:** v PIED, PIEING, PIING, or PIES to jumble or disorder

QI: n pl. –S the vital force that in Chinese thought is inherent in all things

**RE:** *n* pl. –S the second tone of the diatonic musical scale

**SH:** *interj* used to urge silence

**SI:** *n* pl. –S ti

**SO:** n pl. –S the fifth tone of the diatonic musical scale

**TA:** n pl. –S an expression of gratitude

**TI:** *n* pl. –S the seventh tone of the diatonic musical scale

**TO:** prep in the direction of

**UH:** *interj* used to express hesitation

**UM:** *interj* used to indicate hesitation

**UN:** *pron* pl. –S one

**UP:** v UPPED, UPPING, UPS to raise

**US:** pron the objective case of the pronoun WE

**UT:** n pl. –S the musical tone C in the French solmization system, now replaced by DO

**WE:** *pron* the 1<sup>st</sup> person plural pronoun in the nominative case

**WO:** n pl. -S woe

**XI:** n pl. -S a Greek letter

**XU:** *n* pl. a monetary unit of Vietnam

YA: pron you

YE: pron you

**YO:** *interj* used to call attention or express affirmation

**ZA:** n pl. –S a pizza