

Frequentatives

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OE -lian f. Germanic

forming verbs with frequentative or diminutive sense

babble (*onomatopoeia*)

† crump (ME bend into a curve, crook, curl up)

crumple (make crooked or bend together, contort esp. now by crushing)

nest (build a nest; fit inside one another)

nestle (settle or lie comfortably within or against; lie in a concealed or sheltered position)

† twincan (OE wink, blink)

twinkle

wrest (forcibly pull sth from a person's grasp; "wrest control of" = take control of)

wrestle (force someone into a particular position or place by grappling with them; struggle with a difficulty or problem)

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OE -rian

forming frequentative and iterative verbs from (parts of) verbs or sound imitation

clatter (*onomatopoeia*)

shudder (tremble from fear or revulsion)

sputter, splutter (make a series of soft explosive or spitting sounds; speak in a series of incoherent bursts as a result of strong emotion)

spatter, splatter (cover with drops or spots, scatter)

poke, pocket

pucker (tightly gather or contract into wrinkles or small folds)

d_____ *v. i. & v. t.*

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cause or allow liquid to fall in small drops;

display a copious amount or degree of a particular quality or thing

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fall slowly in drops or a thin stream;

pour slowly in a thin stream;

allow saliva to run from the mouth;

The paint was still **d_____** slowly in rivulets down the wood.

He **d_____** cream over his slice of apple tart with eager anticipation.

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move smoothly along a surface;

change gradually to a worse condition or lower level

He **s___** across the ice.

The country faces the prospect of **s_____** from recession into slump.

slide *v. i. & v. t. [with adverbial of direction]*

move smoothly along a surface;

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He **slid** across the ice.

The country faces the prospect of **sliding** from recession into slump.

s_____ *v. i. [with adverbial of direction]*

move smoothly over a surface with a twisting or oscillating motion;

move unsteadily on a loose or slippery surface

The snake **s_____** out from under the rock.

Handling errors among the backs saw a couple of early and valiant moves end in loss of possession, as the ball **s_____** and slipped through fingers.

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slither *v. i. [with adverbial of direction]*

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The snake **slithered** out from under the rock.

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c_____ *v. i. & v.t.*

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Why do so many have the desire to **c_____** a mountain?

Whence this need to **c_____** up the greasy pole?

climb *v. i. & v.t. (simple past † clamb)*
go up (a slope or staircase), ascend

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clamber *v. i. [with adverbial of direction]*

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She **clambered** over the scree with difficulty.

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haggle *v. i.*

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make a chirping noise

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tweet *v. i.*

make a chirping noise

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t_____ *v. i.*

(of a bird) give a call consisting of repeated light tremulous sounds;

talk in a light, high-pitched voice; talk rapidly and at length in a trivial way

Swallows were **t_____** under the eaves.

There's a bit of nudging and jostling while the starlings get comfortable on their roost, but then suddenly the **t _____** stops as though a conductor drops his baton after the final note, then silence.

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† **waff** *v. i.*

(of a dog) bark, yap, yelp

waffle *v. i.*

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w _____ *v.i.*

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Low Ger. **wrangen** (struggle)

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l_____ *v.i.*

stay in a place longer than necessary because of a reluctance to leave; **l. over** spend a long time over; slow to disappear

The camera **l**_____ lovingly on the visage of David Beckham in the Manchester United dug-out.

The tradition **l**_____ on in remote parts of the country.

† **leng** *v. t.*

prolong

linger *v.i.*

stay in a place longer than necessary because of a reluctance to leave; **l. over** spend a long time over; slow to disappear

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