

- behave** (be-hāv'), *v.t.* to conduct, comport, or acquit; *v.i.* to act; conduct one's self in a proper manner.
- behavior** (bē-hāv'yēr), *n.* manner of behaving, whether good or bad; conduct; deportment; manners.
- behead** (be-hed'), *v.t.* to cut off the head of.
- beheld** (bē-held'), *p.t.* & *ƒ.p.* of behold.
- behemoth** (bē-hē'moth), *n.* an animal described in Job xl. 15-24, and probably intended for the hippopotamus. [Hebrew.]
- behest** (be-hest'), *n.* a command; precept.
- behind** (be-hīnd'), *prep.* at the back of; in the rear of; remaining after; inferior to: *adv.* at the back; in the rear; toward the back; out of sight; past in point of time.
- behindhand** (be-hīnd'hand), *adv.* or *adj.* in a state of backwardness; late; in arrears.
- behold** (be-hōld'), *v.t.* [*p.t.* & *p.p.* beheld, *p.pr.* beholding], to fix the eyes upon; have in sight; look at; observe with care: *v.i.* to look; direct or fix the mind.
- beholden** (be-hōl'dn), *p.adj.* indebted; obliged; bound in gratitude.
- behoof** (be-hōōf'), *n.* advantage; interest; profit; use; behalf.
- behoove** or **behoove** (be-hōōv'), *v.t.* to be meet, necessary, or fit for.
- beige** (bāzh), *adj.* having its natural color, as a fabric of undyed wool.
- being**, *p.pr.* of be.
- being** (bē'ing), *n.* existence, as opposed to non-existence; that which exists in any form, whether actual or ideal.
- bejewel** (be-jū'el), *v.t.* [*p.t.* & *p.p.* -ed, *p.pr.* -ing], to ornament or furnish with jewels.
- bekko-ware** (bek'ō-wār), *n.* an ancient kind of Japanese pottery in imitation of tortoise-shell.
- belabor** (bē-lā'bēr), *v.t.* to beat soundly.
- belate** (bē-lāt'), *v.t.* to make late, or retard.
- belated** (bē-lā'ted), *p.adj.* delayed; too late; overtaken by darkness; benighted.
- belay** (be-lā'), *v.t.* make fast, as a rope, by winding round a pin, cleat, &c.
- belaying-pin** (be-lā'ing-pin), *n.* a stout pin of wood or metal used to fasten a rope by keeping it from running out.
- belch** (belch), *v.t.* to eject with force or violence: *v.i.* to eject wind from the stomach: *n.* the act of ejecting wind forcibly.
- beldam** (bel'dam) or **beldame** (bel'dām), *n.* a grandmother; an ugly old woman.
- beleaguer** (bē-lē'gēr), *v.t.* to besiege; surround with an army so as to preclude escape; blockade.
- belemnite** (bel'em-nīt), *n.* the fossil internal bone, or shell, of an extinct family of cuttle-fish.
- belfry** (bel'fri), *n.* a bell tower; that part of a steeple or tower in which a bell is hung.
- Belgravian** (bel-grā'vi-an), *adj.* belonging to Belgravia, a fashionable quarter of London: hence, aristocratic; fashionable: *n.* an inhabitant of Belgravia; a member of the upper classes.
- belie** (bē-lī'), *v.t.* to calumniate; slander by lies; give the lie to; show to be false.
- belief** (be-lēf'), *n.* assent to anything proposed or declared, and its acceptance as fact, by reason of the authority whence it proceeds, apart from personal knowledge; faith; the thing believed; the whole body of tenets held by the professors of any faith; a creed; a conviction.
- believability** (be-lē-va-bil'i-ti), *n.* credibility; credence; believableness.
- believable** (be-lē'va-bl), *adj.* capable of being accepted as truth; credible.
- believe** (be-lēv'), *v.t.* to place credence in and accept as true, upon the ground of authority, testimony, or logical inference apart from personal knowledge; place confidence in; expect or hope: *v.i.* to have faith; be more or less firmly persuaded of the truth of anything; think or suppose.
- believer** (be-lē'vēr), *n.* one who accepts as truth something not actually demonstrated; one who adheres to a religious faith; a professor of Christianity.
- belike** (be-līk'), *adv.* probably.
- belittle** (be-lit'l), *v.t.* to lower or depreciate; run down by speaking slightingly of.

āte, ārm, at, awl; mē, mērgē, met; mīte, mit; nōte, nōrth, not; bōōn, book; hūe, hut; think, then.