echinate  
adj / profusely covered with stiff hairs or spine; prickly similar to a hedgehog  
*Etymology:* ME fr MFr fr LL fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echinoderm  
*n / classification of animals that includes the starfish and sea urchin*  
*Etymology:* NL fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echinise  
*n / having small spines or bristles*  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echo  
v, n / resounds with an imitative quality, repeats; repetitions of sounds  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echolalia  
n / pathological repetition of others' words  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echo-location  
n / emission of high frequency sounds to indicate distance of an object  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echoppe  
n / engraver's tool used to widen a thin line  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echopraxia  
n / pathological condition causing the victim to mimic the actions of others  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

echurcian  
*v / colonize; adapt to a new dwelling or location*  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)

eclampsia  
n / convulsions or a coma occurring during or after pregnancy  
*Etymology:* ME fr L fr Gk-ekkline autos (of a church) fr ekklisia (church)
galéter  
*n* / arrogant follower; area leader of German National Socialist party  
*Etymology:* Ger fr OHG

gaulist (G)  
*n* / follower of a French military leader  
*Etymology:* Fr - gauliste named for Gen. Charles de Gaulle

gault, galt  
*n* / soil that is thick and resembles clay  
*Etymology:* Prob Scand

gauss  
*n* / unit of measure for magnetic induction  
*Etymology:* Ger - named for Karl Friedrich Gauss (mathematician)

gaußer  
*v* / swagger; bully; procrastinate by behaving pompously  
*Etymology:* ME

gauze  
*n, v* / thin, transparent material  
*Etymology:* MFr - geog name of city in Palestine

gauzy  
*adj* / thin, transparent  
*Etymology:* ME fr OHG

gavage  
*n* / using a tube to place nutrients into the stomach  
*Etymology:* Fr fr F-gaver (stuff/feed forcibly) fr Fr dial Picardy fr gave (gullet/gizzard) fr OFr

gawkiness  
*n* / state of lacking grace from being too large or gangly  
*Etymology:* ME fr ON

gazelle  
*n, v* / small African or Asian antelope  
*Etymology:* Fr fr MFr fr Arab

gazetteer  
*n* / geographical dictionary  
*Etymology:* Prob fr F-gazetier fr It-gazzetta fr Venetian dial-gazeta (gazet/periodical selling for a gazet)

gazoz  
*n* / drink that is carbonated and nonalcoholic  
*Etymology:* Arab fr It

gazpacho  
*n* / cold soup of uncooked vegetables  
*Etymology:* Sp

gbo  
*n* / charm that protects owner from evil and has power to hurt enemies  
*Etymology:* native name in Dahomey in Africa

geezer  
*n* / odd or eccentric man  
*Etymology:* alt of guiser ME

gegenschein (G)  
*n* / faint nebulus light on the ecliptic opposite the sun  
*Etymology:* Ger - gegen (against) + schein (shine)

Gehenna (g)  
*n* / place or condition of great suffering; dwelling of condemned souls  
*Etymology:* LL-Gehenna/Geenna fr Gk-Geenna fr Heb Ge Hinnom (valley of Hinnom)

gehlenite  
*n* / mineral consisting of calcium aluminum silicate  
*Etymology:* Ger fr A. F. Gehlen (Ger chemist/19th cent)

Geiger (g)  
*n* / instrument that detects changes in radiation by using a tube of gas  
*Etymology:* Named for Hans Geiger (Ger physicist/died 1945)

gelishas  
*n* / Japanese girls trained to entertain men  
*Etymology:* Jap

geißlich  
*adv, adj* / soulfully, as in music; with a sincere feeling  
*Etymology:* Ger fr OHG

gelable  
*adj* / able to be set, congealed or solidified  
*Etymology:* JEL.uh.buhl

gelastic  
*adj* / capable of laughing  
*Etymology:* Gk-gelastos (laughable) fr gelan (to laugh)

gelatine  
*n* / soft ice cream that contains a tiny amount of air or none at all  
*Etymology:* It-gelati (ice cream) fr L-gelo/-are/-avi/-atus (freeze/congeal)

gelatigenous  
*adj* / producing a jelly  
*Etymology:* JEL.uh.tij.uh.nuhs

gelatinize  
*v* / convert into a jelly form  
*Etymology:* Fr fr It fr L-gelo/-are/-avi/-atus (freeze/congeal)

gelatinous  
*adj* / resembling jelly  
*Etymology:* JEL.uh.tij.uh.nuhs

gelidity  
*n* / characteristic of being icy or frozen  
*Etymology:* Fr fr It fr L-gelo/-are/-avi/-atus (freeze/congeal)

gelignite  
*n* / explosive containing nitroglycerine, potassium nitrate, gun cotton and wood pulp  
*Etymology:* from gelatin fr Fr fr It fr L-gelo/-are/-avi/-atus (freeze) + L - ignis/-is (fire)

gematrial  
*adj* / relating to cryptographs with letters having numerical values  
*Etymology:* LHeb fr Gk

gematriot  
*n* / cryptographs with letters having numerical values  
*Etymology:* LHeb fr Gk

gemeinschaft (G)  
*n* / social relationship that arises due to a common tradition  
*Etymology:* Ger-(community) fr gemein (common/general)+ -schaft (ship) fr OHG

gemellion  
*n* / sink once used to wash the hands before meals  
*Etymology:* ML fr L-gemellus/-i (twin)
zoophilic
adj / preferring belonging animals
Etymology: NL fr Gk-zoi (life) + Gk-philos (love)

zoophilism
n / interest or attraction to animals
Etymology: NL fr Gk-zoi (life) + Gk-philos (love)

zoophilist
n / animal lover; person concerned with protecting rights of animals
Etymology: NL fr Gk-zoi (life) + Gk-philos (love)

zoophobia
n / dread fear of animals or their spirits
Etymology: NL fr Gk-zoi (life) + LL fr Gk-phobos (fear/flight)

zoophorous
n / frotte that contains both men and animals in relief
Etymology: L fr Gk-zooephores fr zoi- (life) + -phoros fr pheirein (carry)

zoophyte
n / animal belonging to the invertebrate family that resembles a plant
Etymology: Gk-zooephycnon fr zoi- (life) + phyton (plant)

zooplankter
n / animal drifting or floating in stagnant water
Etymology: Gk-zoi (life) + PLANGK.tuhn fr Gk-planktos (wandering/drifting) fr plank (plagiar)

zooplankton
n / animal life living in water that includes jellyfish, corals and such
Etymology: Gk-zoi (life) + Ger fr Gk-planktos (wandering/drifting) fr plank/plagiaz (wander)

zoosporangium
n / handling for reproductive bodies in plants with the bodies moving on their own
Etymology: NL fr Gk-zoi (life) + spora fr Gk (act of sowing/seed) + Gk-anjeion (vessel/receptacle)

zootomy
n / classification dealing with living animals
Etymology: ISV fr Gk-zoi (life) + Gk-taxia fr taktos/tassein (arrange/order)

zootecny
n / science of improving a breed of animal
Etymology: ISV fr Gk-zoi (life) + Fr-techne fr Gk-techne (art/craft)

zooty
adj / typical of a glitzy style
Etymology: coined by Harold C. Fox. Am clothier/bandleader

zooxanthella
n / dinoflagellates which dwell in cells of other living creatures
Etymology: ISV fr Gk-zoi (life) + Gk-xanthos (yellow) + L-ella (little one)

zoril
n / carnivorous animal native to Africa related to the weasel
Etymology: Fr fr Sp-zorrihil (skunk) dim of zorra/-o (fox) fr OSp- (vagabond) or zorrar (drag-imitative)

zorille
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Zoroastrian (z)
adj, n / pertaining to dualistic religion involving struggle between light and darkness
Etymology: Pers - Zoroaster (prophet who taught worship of Ahura Mazda as all good things)

.Zouave (z)
adj / member of French infantry unit performing spirited drills
Etymology: Fr fr Berber Zwawa tribe of Kabyles in the Djurdjura mountains of Algeria

zouk
n / dance music from the French West Indies
Etymology: FrCreole zouk (party/dance) prob fr mazouk fr Fr-mazurka (mazurka)

zoyizia (Z)
adj / carnivorous animal native to Africa related to the weasel
Etymology: NL - Zoysia (genus name/after Karl von Zois zu Laubach Austrian botanist)

zucchetto
n / small round skullcap worn by ecclesiastics of the Catholic Church
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zugzwang
n / necessity of making a chess move when it is to one's disadvantage
Etymology: Ger - zug (pull/tug) + zwang (force/coercion)

Zulu (z)
n / person or people of South Africa living mainly in Natal
Etymology: African Bantu

zumbooruk
n / little swiveling cannon especially one that can be used from a camel's back
Etymology: Arab-zanburak fr Pers-zanburah fr zanbur (hornet)

.zuni
n / American-Indian tribe of New Mexico or its language
Etymology: Sp fr Keresan-sini (middle)

zwetschenwasser
n / plum wine with an acrid almond flavor
Etymology: Ger-literally (plum water) fr zwetschen/zwetsche (plum) + water (water) fr OHG-wawzar

.zwieback
n / unsweetened bread that is toasted until crisp
Etymology: Ger - zwieback (twice baked) fr zwie- (twice) + backen (bake) fr OHG - zwi + bahhan