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¹post *noun* \ˈpɒst\

Definition of POST



- 1** : a piece (as of timber or metal) fixed firmly in an upright position especially as a stay or support : [PILLAR](#), [COLUMN](#)
- 2** : a pole or stake set up to mark or indicate something; *especially* : a pole that marks the starting or finishing point of a horse race
- 3** : a metallic fitting attached to an electrical device (as a storage battery) for convenience in making connections
- 4 a** : [GOALPOST](#)
- b** : a football passing play in which the receiver runs downfield before turning towards the middle of the field
- 5** : the metal stem of a pierced earring

Origin of POST

Middle English, from Old English, from Latin *postis*; probably akin to Latin *por-* forward and to Latin *stare* to stand — more at [PORTEND](#), [STAND](#)

First Known Use: before 12th century

Other Architecture Terms

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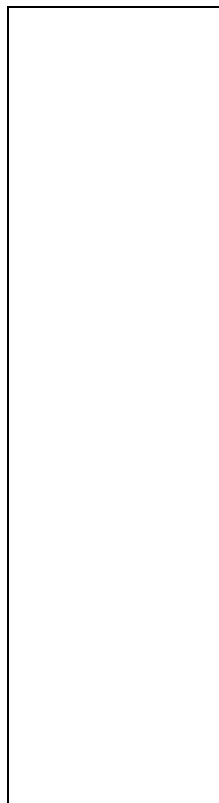
²post *verb*

Definition of POST

transitive verb

- 1 a** : to publish, announce, or advertise by or as if by use of a placard
- b** : to denounce by public notice
- c** : to enter on a public listing
- d** : to forbid (property) to trespassers under penalty of legal prosecution by notices placed along the boundaries
- e** : [SCORE](#) <*posted* a 70 in the final round>
- 2** : to affix to a usual place (as a wall) for public notices :

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- 3** : to publish (as a message) in an online forum (as an electronic bulletin board)

First Known Use of POST

1633

³post *noun*

Definition of POST

- 1** *obsolete* : [COURIER](#)
- 2** *archaic*
- a** : one of a series of stations for keeping horses for relays
- b** : the distance between any two such consecutive stations
: [STAGE](#)
- 3** *chiefly British*
- a** : a nation's organization for handling mail; *also* : the mail handled
- b** (1) : a single dispatch of mail (2) : [LETTER 2a](#)
- c** : [POST OFFICE](#)
- d** : [POSTBOX](#)
- 4** : something (as a message) that is published online

Origin of POST

Middle French *poste* relay station, courier, from Old Italian *posta* relay station, from feminine of *posto*, past participle of *porre* to place, from Latin *ponere* — more at [POSITION](#)

First Known Use: 1507

Other Postal Terms

[cancel](#), [frank](#), [indicia](#), [philatelist](#)

⁴post *verb*

Definition of POST

intransitive verb

- 1** : to travel with post-horses
- 2** : to ride or travel with haste : [HURRY](#)
- 3** : to rise from the saddle and return to it in rhythm with a horse's trot

transitive verb

- 1** *archaic* : to dispatch in haste
- 2** : [MAIL](#) <post a letter>
- 3** **a** : to transfer or carry from a book of original entry to a ledger
- b** : to make transfer entries in
- 4** : to make familiar with a subject : [INFORM](#) <kept her *posted* on the latest gossip>

First Known Use of POST

1533

⁵post *adverb*

Definition of POST

: with post-horses : [EXPRESS](#)

First Known Use of POST

1549

⁶**post** *noun***Definition of POST**

- 1 a** : the place at which a soldier is stationed; *especially* : a sentry's beat or station
- b** : a station or task to which one is assigned
- c** : the place at which a body of troops is stationed : [CAMP](#)
- d** : a local subdivision of a veterans' organization
- e** : one of two bugle calls sounded (as in the British army) at tattoo
- 2 a** : an office or position to which a person is appointed
- b** : an area on a basketball court that is located just outside the free throw lane usually near the basket; *also* : the offensive position of a player occupying the post
- 3 a** : [TRADING POST](#), [SETTLEMENT](#)
- b** : a trading station on the floor of a stock exchange

Origin of POST

Middle French *poste*, from Old Italian *posto*, from past participle of *porre* to place

First Known Use: 1598

Other Field and Goal Sports Terms

[crease](#), [lateral](#), [lax](#), [overthrow](#), [playbook](#), [screen](#), [scrum](#), [secondary](#), [ultimate](#)

⁷**post** *verb***Definition of POST**

transitive verb

- 1 a** : to station in a given place <guards were *posted* at the doors>
- b** : to carry ceremoniously to a position <*posting* the colors>
- 2 chiefly British** : to assign to a unit, position, or location (as in the military or civil service)
- 3** : to put up (as bond)

First Known Use of POST

1683

Post *biographical name* \ˈpɒst**Definition of POST**

Emily 1872–1960 née *Price* Am. columnist & writer

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