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or·di·nate  (ôr dn-ĭt, -ăt')

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adj.

Arranged in regular rows, as the spots on the wings of an insect.

n.

Symbol y The plane Cartesian coordinate representing the distance from a specified point to the *x*-axis, measured parallel to the *y*-axis.

[Middle English, properly ordered, from Latin *ordinātus*, past participle of *ordināre*, to set in order, from *ordō*, *ordin-*, order; see **ar-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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