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drink  (drɪŋk)

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v. **drank** (drǎŋk), **drunk** (drŭŋk), **drink-ing**, **drinks**

v.tr.

1. To take into the mouth and swallow (a liquid).
2. To swallow the liquid contents of (a vessel): *drank a cup of tea.*
3. To take in or soak up; absorb: *drank the fresh air; spongy earth that drank up the rain.*
4. To take in eagerly through the senses or intellect: *drank in the beauty of the day.*
5.
 - a. To give or make (a toast).
 - b. To toast (a person or an occasion, for example): *We'll drink your health.*
6. To bring to a specific state by drinking alcoholic beverages: *drank our sorrows away.*

v.intr.

1. To swallow liquid: *drank noisily; drink from a goblet.*
2. To drink alcoholic beverages: *They only drink socially.*
3. To salute a person or an occasion with a toast: *We will drink to your continued success.*

n.

1.
 - a. A liquid that is fit for drinking; a beverage.
 - b. An alcoholic beverage, such as a cocktail or beer.
 - c. *Chiefly Southern US* See [soft drink](#), [tonic](#)
2. An amount of liquid swallowed: *took a long drink from the fountain.*
3. Liquid for drinking: *The host provided food and drink.*
4. Excessive or habitual indulgence in alcoholic liquor.
5. *Slang* A body of water; the sea: *The hatch cover slid off the boat and into the drink.*

Idiom:

drink the Kool-Aid

To become an unquestioning advocate for a group, cause, or belief.

[Middle English *drinken*, from Old English *drincan*; see **dhreg-** in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.]

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