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du·plex  (d plĕks', dy -)

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adj.

1. Twofold; double.
2. Having two apartments, divisions, or floors.
3. Relating to or being a single assembly of machinery having two identical units that are capable of operating simultaneously or independently.
4. *Electronics* Of or relating to a communications mode, as in a telephone system, that provides simultaneous transmission and reception in both directions.

n.

1.
 - a. A house divided into two living units or residences, usually having separate entrances.
 - b. A duplex apartment.
2. Something, such as a communications system, that is duplex.

[Latin; see **dwo-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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