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du·pli·cate  (d plī-kīt, dy -)

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- adj.*
1. Identically copied from an original.
 2. Existing or growing in two corresponding parts; double.
 3. Denoting a manner of play in cards in which partnerships or teams play the same deals and compare scores at the end: *duplicate bridge*.
- n.*
1. An identical copy; a facsimile.
 2. One that corresponds exactly to another, especially an original.
 3. *Games* A card game in which partnerships or teams play the same deals and compare scores at the end.
- v. (-kāt')* **du·pli·cat·ed, du·pli·cat·ing, du·pli·cates**
- v.tr.*
1. To make an exact copy of.
 2. To make twofold; double.
 3. To make or perform again; repeat: *a hard feat to duplicate*.
- v.intr.*
- To become duplicate.

[Middle English, from Latin *duplicātus*, past participle of *duplicāre*, to double, from *duplex*, *duplic-*, twofold; see **dwo-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

du pli·ca·ble, du pli·cat'a·ble (-kā'tə-bəl) *adj.*
du pli·cate·ly *adv.*
du pli·ca'tive *adj.*
du pli·ca·to'ry (-kī-tô'r'ē) *adj.*

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