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Verbs of Two Syllables, Explained, D to H

Verbs of two syllables, explained, from Daniel Fenning, The Universal Spelling-Book (London, 1798),

Part III, Table III: his old words kept, in today's spelling; their syllables on the right.

Each word is given once with its meaning as a model: copy it on the line below.

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Part III, Table III. Verbs of two Syllables, accented and explained, D to H.

dabble  to *paddle in the* **dab-ble**

dirt

dally  to *sport with* **dal-ly**

damage  to *hurt* **dam-age**

debar  to *keep out or* **de-bar**

hinder

debase  to bring down **de-base**

debate  to dispute **de-bate**

debauch  to corrupt **de-bauch**

decant  to pour off **de-cant**

decay  to grow worse **de-cay**

decease  to die **de-cease**

deceive  *to mislead* **de-ceive**

decide  *to conclude a*
matter **de-cide**

declaim  *to speak* **de-claim**
against

decline  *to refuse* **de-cline**

decoy ➞ *to entice* de-coy

decry ➞ *to speak ill of* de-cry

defeat ➞ *to overthrow* de-feat

defend ➞ *to support or*
maintain de-fend

defer ➞ *to put off* de-fer

define  *to explain* **de-fine**

deform  *to disfigure* **de-form**

defraud  *to cheat* **de-fraud**

defray  *to bear expenses* **de-fray**

defy  *to challenge* **de-fy**

degrade  *to disqualify*
or put out of office de-grade

deject  *to cast down* de-ject

delay  *to put off* de-lay

delude  *to deceive* de-lude

demand  *to lay claim to* de-mand

demean  *to behave* de-mean

demise  *to bequeath* de-mise

demur  *to object against,* de-mur
or put off

denote  *to point out or* de-note
show

denounce  to *proclaim,* de-nounce

declare

deny  to *disown, refuse* de-ny

depart  to *go from* de-part

depend  to *rely upon* de-pend

deplore  to *bewail* de-plore

deplume ➞ *to unfeather* de-plume

depart ➞ *to behave one's*
self de-port

depose ➞ *to dethrone, also*
to give evidence of de-pose

deprave ➞ *to corrupt* de-prave

depress  to weigh down **de-press**

depute  to appoint in
another's room **de-pute**

descry  to discern afar
off **de-scry**

design  *to intend or* **de-sign**

purpose

desist  *to leave off* **de-sist**

despoil  *to strip or rake* **de-spoil**

one

despond  *to despair* **de-spond**

detach  to dismiss, or **de-tach**

send away

deter  to affright, **de-ter**

discourage

detect  to discover **de-tect**

detest  to abhor **de-test**

detract  to take from **de-tract**

devote  to vow, to set
apart for any holy use **de-vote**

dictate  to tell to another **dic-tate**

diffuse  to spread **dif-fuse**
abroad

digest  to dissolve food **di-gest**
in the stomach, also to put
in order

digress  to go from **di-gress**

dilate  to widen **di-late**

dilute  to make thin **di-lute**

disarm ➞ *to unweapon* dis-arm

disband ➞ *to turn out of* dis-band

service

disburse ➞ *to lay out* dis-burse

discard ➞ *to discharge* dis-card

discern ➞ *to perceive* dis-cern

disclaim  *to disown* **dis-claim**

disclose  *to discover* **dis-close**

disown  *to renounce* **dis-own**

dispel  *to drive away* **dis-pel**

dispense  *to excuse, deal* **dis-pense**
out

display  *to unfold* **dis-play**

dissect  *to cut open* **dis-sect**

dissent  *to disagree* **dis-sent**

dissuade  *to advise to*
the contrary **dis-suade**

distaste  *to dislike* **dis-taste**

distend  to stretch out **dis-tend**

distil  to drop down **dis-til**

distort  to wrest aside **dis-tort**

disuse  to forbear to use **dis-use**

divert  to turn aside **di-vert**
from

divest  to unclathe or **di-vest**

deprive

divorce  to put away **di-vorce**

divulge  to spread **di-vulge**
abroad

dwindle  to waste away **dwin-dle**

eclipse  to darken **e-clipse**

efface  to destroy **ef-face**

effect  to perform **ef-fect**

eject  to cast out **e-ject**

elate  to puff up **e-late**

elect  to choose or **e-lect**

appoint

elude  to shift or shun **e-lude**

danger

embalm  to preserve a **em-balm**

corpse

embark  to go on ship *em-bark*

board

emerge  to rise again,
pop up again, &c. *e-merge*

emit  to send forth *e-mit*

empty  to exhaust *emp-ty*

enact  *to decree* **en-act**

enchant  *to bewitch* **en-chant**

enclose  *to include* **en-close**

endear  *to make beloved* **en-dear**

endure  *to undergo, to* **en-dure**

continue

enforce  *to constrain* **en-force**

engage  *to persuade* **en-gage**

engraft  *to improve a* **en-graft**
tree by the putting in of
other branches

engrass  *to get all to* **en-gross**

one's self

enhance  *to raise the* **en-hance**

value

enrol  *to put down in* **en-rol**

writing

entail  *to make over* **en-tail**

entice  *to tempt* **en-tice**

equip  *to furnish* **e-quip**

erase  *to blot out* **e-rase**

erect  *to build* **e-rect**

essay  to attempt or **es-say**

undertake

evade  to shun or put **e-vade**

off

evince  to prove **e-vince**

exalt  to lift up **ex-alt**

excite  to stir up **ex-cite**

exert  to put forth **ex-ert**

exhale  to breathe or
steam out **ex-hale**

exhaust  to empty or
consume **ex-haust**

exist  to have a being **ex-ist**

expand  to stretch open **ex-pand**

expel  to drive out **ex-pel**

expend  to lay out **ex-pond**

expire  to die **ex-pire**

explode  to cry down **ex-plode**

export ➡ to send over sea **ex-port**

expunge ➡ to blot out **ex-punge**

extol ➡ to cry up **ex-tol**

extort ➡ to gain by
force **ex-tort**

extrude ➡ to thrust out **ex-trude**

exult  *to leap for joy* **ex-ult**

famish  *to starve* **fa-mish**

ferment  *to swell or* **fer-ment**
puff up

flatter  *to praise over* **flat-ter**
much

flourish  to *prosper* **fou-rish**

foment  to *bathe,* **fo-ment**

encourage

forfeit  to *lose by* **for-feit**

neglect

frustrate  to

frus-trate

disappoint

furbish  to *brighten*

fur-bish

garnish  to *adorn*

gar-nish

glitter  to *shine, to*

glit-ter

sparkle

hallow  to make holy **hal-low**

halloo  to call or set on
(as dogs, &c.) **hal-loo**

harrow  to break clods **har-row**

hazard  to venture **ha-zard**

hover  to flutter **ho-ver**