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Nouns of Three Syllables, Explained, D to H

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

Part III, Table IV: 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 IV. Nouns Substantive of three Syllables, accented and explained, D to H.

daffodil ➞ *a flower* daf-fo-dil

daintiness ➞ *delicacy* dain-ti-ness

debentures ➞ *bills, &c.* de-ben-tures

decalogue ➞ *the*
commandments de-ca-logue

decanter ➞ *a glass bottle* de-can-ter

decorum  *decency,* de-co-rum

order

decrement  *decrease or* de-cre-ment

waste

deference  *respect,* de-fe-rence

submission

delegate ➤ *one* de-le-gate

commissioned

delinquent ➤ *an* de-lin-quent

offender

demerit ➤ *ill-deserving* de-me-rit

density ➤ *thickness* den-si-ty

dependent ➡ *one*

de-pen-dent

depending

deponent ➡ *an evidence*

de-po-nent

deputy ➡ *that acts for*
another

de-pu-ty

destiny ➡ *fate*

des-ti-ny

detriment ➞ *hurt,* de-tri-ment

damage

diadem ➞ *a royal crown* di-a-dem

diagram ➞ *a scheme* di-a-gram

dialect ➞ *a peculiar* di-a-lect

speech

dialogue ➞ *a discourse* di-a-logue

diamond ➞ *a precious*
stone di-a-mond

diary ➞ *a day-book* di-a-ry

dictator ➞ *one that*
dictates dic-ta-tor

director ➞ *a guide or* **di-rec-tor**

manager

disaster ➞ *misfortune* **di-sas-ter**

discipline ➞ *good order* **dis-ci-pline**

dishonour ➞ *disgrace* **dis-ho-nour**

disputant ➞ *a disputer* **dis-pu-tant**

dissenter  *one that* **dis-sen-ter**

dissents from

disturbance  *trouble,* **dis-tur-bance**

disorder

dividend  *a part or* **di-vi-dend**

share

divisor  *number you* **di-vi-sor**

divide by

document  *instruction* **do-cu-ment**

drapery  *clothing* **dra-pe-ry**

dueller  *one who fights* **du-el-ler**

duels

dungeon ➤ *a dark*

dun-ge-on

stranghold

ecliptic ➤ *a circle*

ec-lip-tic

effigy ➤ *image, likeness*

ef-fi-gy

ejectment ➤ *a casting*

e-ject-ment

out

elector ➞ *who chooses* e-lec-tor

elegy ➞ *a funeral song* e-le-gy

elements ➞ *the first*
principles e-le-ments

elephant ➞ *a large beast* e-le-phant

ellipsis ➞ *an oval figure* el-lip-sis

embargo  *an arrest* em-bar-go

upon ships

embassy  *a commission* em-bas-sy

embryo  *imperfect state* em-bry-o

eminence  *height* e-mi-nence

emperor ✎ *a sovereign* em-pe-ror

prince

emphasis ✎ *strength of* em-pa-sis
pronunciation

empiric ✎ *a mountebank* em-pi-ric

endorsement  a *en-dorse-ment*

writing on the back of

endowment  a natural *en-dow-ment*

gift

energy  *force, efficacy* *e-ner-gy*

engineer  *an artist* *en-gi-neer*

enigma ➞ *a riddle* e-nig-ma

enmity ➞ *hatred, violence* en-mi-ty

ensample ➞ *example* en-sam-ple

enterprise ➞ *an attempt* en-ter-prise

enticement ➞ *an* en-tice-ment

allurement

entity  *a being*

en-ti-ty

epicure  *a glutton*

e-pi-cure

epigram  *a short witty*
poem

e-pi-gram

epilogue  *a conclusion*

e-pi-logue

epistle  *a letter*

e-pis-tle

epitaph ➡ *an inscription* e-pi-taph

epithet ➡ *a proper term* e-pi-thet

equator ➡ *the equinoctial*
line e-qua-tor

equipage ➡ *attendance* e-qui-page

equity ➡ *justice* e-qui-ty

eringo  *a plant* **e-rin-go**

errata  *errors* **er-ra-ta**

estimate  *value or* **es-ti-mate**

estimation

eucharist  *the bread* **eu-cha-rist**

and wine in the sacrament

eulogy ➤ a speech in

eu-lo-gy

praise of

evidence ➤ plainness,

e-vi-dence

witness

extractor ➤ one who extracts

ex-ac-tor

examen ➤ a trial or **ex-a-men**

proof

exercise ➤ labour, motion **ex-er-cise**

existence ➤ being **ex-is-tence**

exorcist ➤ a conjurer **ex-or-cist**

exotic ➤ a foreign plant **ex-o-tic**

faction ➡ *a party*

fac-ti-on

faculty ➡ *ability, talent*

fa-cul-ty

falconer ➡ *a manager
of hawks*

fal-con-er

fallacy ➡ *deceit*

fal-la-cy

falsity ➡ *untruth*

fal-si-ty

fanatic  *an*

fa-na-tic

*over-zealous professor of
religion*

farrier  *an horse*
doctor

far-ri-er

fashion  *mode, dress*

fa-shi-on

favourite  *a darling*

fa-vour-ite

fellowship  *a*

fel-low-ship

partnership

ferula  *a faalish*

fe-ru-la

*instrument used in some
schools*

festival  *a feast or*
holiday

fes-ti-val

fiction  *a feigned*
story

fic-ti-on

filaments  *small*
fibres

fi-la-ments

finery ➞ *fine attire*

fi-ne-ry

firmament ➞ *the sky*

fir-ma-ment

fishery ➞ *the trade of*
fishing

fish-e-ry

fistula ➞ *an ulcer*

fis-tu-la

flageolet ✎ a wind

fla-geo-let

instrument

flattery ✎ *fawning,*
wheedling

flat-te-ry

fluxion ✎ a flowing

flux-i-on

foppery ✎ *fantasticalness*

fop-pe-ry

forester ➤ *a keeper of a* fo-res-ter
forest

forfeiture ➤ *the losing* for-fei-ture
one's right

forgery ➤ *counterfeiting* for-ge-ry

formalist  *a formal* **for-ma-list**

person

fortitude  *courage* **for-ti-tude**

fraction  *a broken* **frac-ti-on**

part

fratricide  *killing of*

fra-tri-cide

a brother

friction  *rubbing or*

fric-ti-on

chafing

frontier  *the limits or*

fron-ti-er

border

function  *duty or*
office

func-ti-on

funeral  *a burying*

fu-ne-ral

furniture  *household*
goods

fur-ni-ture

fusion ➞ *melting of*
metals

fu-si-on

fustian ➞ *a sort of cloth*

fus-ti-an

gallantry ➞ *intrigue,*
bravery

gal-lan-try

gallery is a sort of
balcony

gal-le-ry

galliot is a small sea
vessel

gal-li-ot

gambadoes is a sort of
boats

gam-ba-does

gardener  *dresser of* gar-den-er

gardens

garniture  *a* gar-ni-ture

trimming

general  *a commander* ge-ne-ral

genesis  *creation* ge-ne-sis

genius ➡ *nature, fancy* ge-ni-us

gentian ➡ *an herb* gen-ti-an

gentilism ➡ *heathenism* gen-til-ism

gentleman ➡ *of a*
good family gen-tle-man

gibberish ➞ *nonsensical*

gib-be-rish

talk

glazier ➞ *worker in*

gla-zi-er

glass

glimmering ➞ *a faint*

glim-mer-ing

light

government  *rule,* go-vern-ment

dominion

governor  *a ruler* go-ver-nor

granary  *a storehouse* gra-na-ry

for corn

grazier ➞ *one who*
feeds cattle

gra-zi-er

gravity ➞ *sobriety,*
weight

gra-vi-ty

guardian ➞ *a manager*

guar-di-an

gudgeon ➞ *a small fish*

gud-ge-on

habitude ➞ *disposition* ha-bi-tude

harbinger ➞ *a* har-bin-ger
forerunner

harmony ➞ *melody,* har-mo-ny
agreement

harpisichord  a **harp-si-chord**

musical instrument

hecatomb  a sacrifice of **he-ca-tomb**

an hundred oxen

hellebore  a plant **hel-le-bore**

hemisphere  *half a* he-mi-sphere

globe

herbalist  *one skilled in* her-ba-list

plants

heretic ➡ *a name given* he-re-tic

to all that are not
Roman Catholics

heritage ➡ *inheritance* he-ri-tage

heresy  *contrariety to* **he-re-sy**
the fundamentals of
religion

hexagon  *a figure of* **hex-a-gon**
six sides

history ➤ *an account of*
things his-to-ry

homicide ➤ *manslaughter* ho-mi-cide

homily ➤ *a sermon* ho-mi-ly

hospital ➤ *an house for*
sick hos-pi-tal

Huguenots is a

Hu-gue-nots

nickname given to
Protestants in France

humorist is a whimsical

hu-mo-rist

person

hurricane  *a violent* **hur-ri-cane**

storm

hyacinth  *a flower so* **hy-a-cinth**
called

hypocrite  *a dissembler* **hy-po-crite**