

WORD SKETCHES (see [video](#))

English-Corpora.org allows you to see an extremely wide range of information about words. Each of the top 60,000 words (lemmas) has a "home page", with the following 16 pieces of information: 1) lemma and part of speech 2) add word to "favorites" list 3) see "history" of past words 4) frequency information 5) definitions, including links to external definitions and etymology 6) images 7) pronunciation and external videos 8) translations from several external websites 9) synonyms 10) word used in definitions for other words, and more specific and more general words from WordNet 11) related topics 12) collocates 13) morphologically-related words 14) 2-4 word clusters 15) texts or websites where the word is very frequent 16) concordance (KWIC) lines. No other corpus site provides anything close to this range of information for each of the top 60,000 words in the corpus.

trail (NOUN) #1594 +

See also: [VERB](#)

1. a track or mark left by something that has passed 2. a path or track roughly blazed through wild or hilly country 3. evidence pointing to a possible solution

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SYNONYMS (▶) [CONCEPT](#) NEW: [DEFIN](#) [+SPEC](#) [+GENL](#)

[path](#) [path](#), [road](#), [route](#), [track](#), [trail](#), [trajectory](#), [way](#) [track](#) [track](#), [trail](#)

CLUSTERS (more)

trail •	trail in • trail to • trails in • trail for • trail on • trail system • trail from • trail with
• trail	hiking trails • campaign trail • appalachian trail • audit trail • creek trail • paper trail • nature trail • walking trails
trail ••	trail of tears • trail as it • trail is not • trail of blood • trail leads to • trail takes you • trail of destruction • trail passes through
•• trail	on the trail • along the trail • on the trails • to the trail • miles of trails • follow the trail • on a trail • off the trail
trail •••	trails of cold steel • trails in the area • trails in the sky • trail to the top • trail to the right • trails in the park • trail on the left • trail to machu picchu
••• trail	on the campaign trail • end of the trail • out on the trail • miles of hiking trails • part of the trail • section of the trail • side of the trail • on the appalachian trail

See in COCA [Collocates](#) [Clusters](#) [Topics](#) [Websites](#) [KWIC](#) [HELP](#)

TOPICS (more)

[park](#), [mountain](#), [hike](#), [hike](#), [lake](#), [river](#), [road](#), [forest](#), [bike](#), [trail](#), [creek](#), [route](#), [ride](#), [rock](#), [valley](#), [climb](#), [ride](#), [north](#), [parking](#), [visitor](#)

COLLOCATES (more)

NOUN [mile](#), [park](#), [mountain](#), [bike](#), [road](#), [lake](#), [creek](#), [river](#)

VERB [hike](#), [follow](#), [walk](#), [ride](#), [blaze](#), [bike](#), [cross](#), [explore](#)

ADJ [appalachian](#), [scenic](#), [steep](#), [paved](#), [inca](#), [historic](#), [rocky](#), [indian](#)

ADV [along](#), [left](#), [uphill](#), [steeply](#), [nearby](#), [downhill](#), [moderately](#), [parallel](#)

RELATED WORDS

[trailer](#), [trailing](#), [contrail](#), [off-trail](#)

TEXTS / VIRTUAL CORPORA (more)

WEB:nps.gov • WEB:ponderosaca.com • NEWS:AssocPress • MAG:Backpacker • ACAD:InstrPsych • MAG:Bicycling • NEWS:USA TODAY • MAG:Backpacker • FIC:FantasySciFi • MAG:Backpacker • MAG:NatIParks • NEWS:USAToday • MAG:Backpacker • MAG:Backpacker • WEB:...documentaryfilms.com • MAG:NatIParks • MAG:Bicycling • MAG:Backpacker • MAG:Bicycling • MAG:Backpacker • NEWS:Atlanta • MAG:Backpacker • MAG:Backpacker • MAG:NatIParks • NEWS:Atlanta •

CONCORDANCE LINES (more)

1	WEB: 2012: amazon.com	Along the way , they confront Army Rangers along the Appalachian Trail and conduct a late-night stealth mission to an abandoned NASA
2	BLOG: 2012: ...heother.blogspot....	me , a direct definition of ultra trail running . The trails are amazing DCNR does an excellent job keeping the trails and
3	MAG: 1991: NatIParks	to protect a continuous corridor are ongoing . The North Country Trail Association a 500-member organization established in 1980 ,
4	MAG: 1991: NatIParks	. # For more information , contact the Overmountain Victory Trail Association c/o P.O. Box 632 , Manassas Park , VA 22111
5	MAG: 2003: Bicycling	and anti-bike website operator John Parulis , describing the trails at China Camp , east of San Rafael " Look at this
6	WEB: 2012: yelp.com	try ... # Perks of coming here is hiking the various trails at the top , and taking the ski lift back down .
7	BLOG: 2012: seattlemet.com	that the city did not " re-interview " businesses along the trail before approving its completion ; and the fact that an
8	TV: 2016: Tomorrow, When the W...	OK ? Rain gear 's there too . Should be some trail bikes out the back if they have n't been taken . Awesome
9	NEWS: 1998: Houston	because only a few of the wealthiest teams - the Portland Trail Blazers (owned by billionaire Paul Allen) , the New York
10	MAG: 2010: PopMech	, I also fail to notice that the side of the trail butts a no-food cliff off the creek bed . With my blissful
11	MAG: 2009: OutdoorLife	to find one . He showed me some images from a trail camera that was placed on the stand farthest from camp , the

As was mentioned above, most of the elements in the “home page” for each word allow you to see more information about the word, either from external resources or from corpus data. The following are small screenshots of some of these features.

[2] Add word to your “saved words / phrases” list, and even assign tags [A] to these words (e.g. biology, electronics, or words/phrases related to emotions), and then review the words with that tag.

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	# (W, P)	Orig	Word	PoS	When added (days ago)	Select	Tag	Create	Change
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2	PHRASE	coca	best practices		67 d	<input type="checkbox"/>		--	
3	PHRASE	coca	best interest		67 d	<input type="checkbox"/>		--	
4	21073	coca	polymorphism	n	71 d	<input type="checkbox"/>		--	
5	PHRASE	coca	fixed effects		71 d	<input type="checkbox"/>		--	
6	6989	coca	tariff	n	73 d	<input type="checkbox"/>		--	

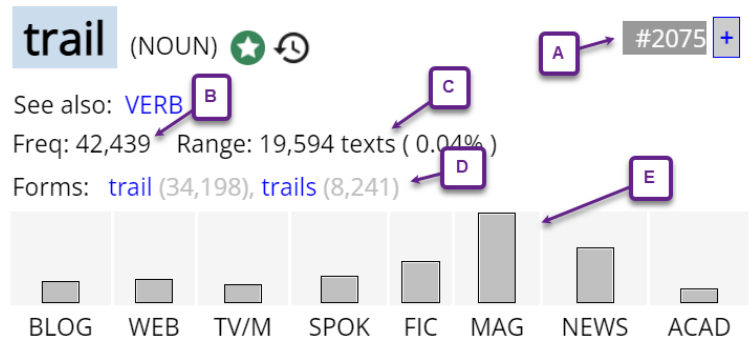
[3] See a history of the words that you’ve looked at (including what display: collocates, clusters, etc). This allows you to follow a “semantic trail” for related words.

[Delete history](#)

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	Main	Topics	Collocates	Clusters	Websites	KWIC
1						rugged (ADJ)
2			rugged (ADJ)			
3			mountain (NOUN)			
4			trail (NOUN)			
5		trail (NOUN)				
6	trail (NOUN)					

[4] See detailed frequency information for each word, including [A] rank (1-60,000) [B] raw frequency [C] range (in what percentage of the texts the word appears [D] frequency of the forms of the word and [E] the normalized frequency in the different genres (in COCA)



[5] Definitions from several external websites, include etymology

trail [treɪl] [SHOW IPA](#) 🗣️ ☆

See synonyms for: [trail](#) / [trailed](#) / [trailing](#) on Thesaurus.com

🍷 Elementary Level

Definition of trail

verb (used with object)

- 1 to drag or let drag along the ground or other surface; draw or drag along behind.

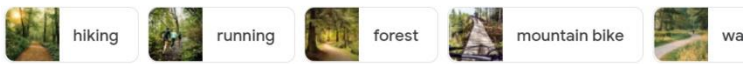
trail (v.)

c. 1300, "to hang down loosely and flow behind" (of a gown, sleeve, etc.), from Old French *trailer* "to tow; pick up the scent of a quarry," ultimately from Vulgar Latin **tragulare* "to drag," from Latin *tragula* "dragnet, javelin thrown by a strap," probably related to *trahere* "to pull" (see **tract** (n.1)). Transitive sense of "to tow or pull along the ground" is from c. 1400. The meaning "follow the trail of (an animal, etc.)" is first recorded late 14c. Meaning "to lag behind" is from 1957. Related: *Trailed*; *trailing*.

trail (n.)

early 14c., "trailing part of a robe, gown, etc.," from **trail** (v.). The meaning "track or smell left by a person or animal" is also from 1580s. Meaning "path or track worn in wilderness" is attested from 1600.

[6, 7] See images (from Google Images) and videos (from several external websites), which allows you to hear the word in context.



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How to pronounce **trail** in English (1 out of 14561):

7x Hillary Clinton: The Vox Conversation

27:09 / 41:26 • What skills does a president need that campaigns don't test?

that aren't rewarded or revealed by the campaign **trail**?

[8] Translate the word to hundreds of languages, at multiple external sites

trail LISTEN: US

UK: /ˈtreɪl/ US: /ˈtreɪl/, (trəl)

Definition | auf Spanisch | Englische Synonyme | englische Kollokation | Conjugator [EN] | Im Kontext | Bilder

WordReference WR Reverse (7)

WordReference English-German Dictionary © 2022:

Wichtigste Übersetzungen

Englisch	Deutsch
trail <i>n</i> ((sth) drawn behind) The plane crossed the sky, leaving a white trail in its wake. Das Flugzeug durchquerte den Himmel und hinterließ eine weiße Spur.	Spur <i>Nf</i> Pfad <i>Nm</i>
trail <i>n</i> (path for hikers) If you like hiking, there are a lot of great trails around here. Falls du Wandern magst, es gibt viele großartige Wanderwege hier in der Gegend.	Wanderweg <i>Nm</i> Pfad <i>Nm</i> Trampelpfad, Trampelweg <i>Nm</i>

Translation of "trail" in German

Noun Verb

Spur Wanderweg Pfad Strecke Lehrpfad Loipe Radweg Höhenweg folgen verfolgen schleppen

Wanderung Fährte Weges Steig ...

Eventually the **trail** went cold and dead. Allmählich wurde die **Spur** kühler, bis sie gänzlich erloschen war.

When Milloup showed interest in the **trail** I let him go as he pleased, and so he just followed the **trail** again from beginning to end. Als Milloup für die **Spur** Interesse zeigte, ließ ich ihn gehen wie er möchte, und dann verfolgte er ohne weiteres die **Spur** noch einmal von Anfang bis End

Welcome to hike along the beautiful **trail** around Bengtsbrohöljen. Wanderung Willkommen auf dem schönen **Wanderweg** rund um den See Bengtsbrohöljen.

We followed the red circle **trail**. Wir folgten dann den **Wanderweg** mit den roten Kreisen.

[10] Search for the word in the definition for other words (below), or see hypernyms (more general words) or hyponyms (more specific words) from WordNet.

2	17835	1250	trailhead	NOUN				
1. The beginning of a trail , often specifically a hiking trail								
3	19462	1037	tracer	NOUN				
1. ammunition whose flight can be observed by a trail of smoke 2. (radiology) any radioactive isotope introduced into the body to study metabolism or other biological processes 3. an instrument used to make tracings 4. an investigator who is employed to find missing persons or missing goods								
4	22869	727	downhill	NOUN				
1. a ski race down a trail 2. the downward slope of a hill								
5	24238	632	sleuth	NOUN				
1. a detective who follows a trail								
6	26130	529	trailblazer	NOUN				
1. One that blaze a trail blazes a trail to guide others; a pathfinder . 2. {figuratively} An innovative leader in a field; a pioneer .								

	Same text	Word	PoS
1	1015	hike	v
2	787	hike	n
3	688	mountain	n
4	667	steep	j
5	552	park	n
6	548	terrain	n
7	543	mile	n
8	436	forest	n
9	426	creek	n
10	412	lake	n

[11] Topics: words that co-occur anywhere in the texts. In many cases, these provide even better insight into the meaning of a word than collocates

[12] Collocates, grouped by part of speech, and showing whether the word typically occurs before or after the “node” word (for example, *the trail leads...* (subject) or *follow the trail* (object)). You can also sort by “relevance” (Mutual Information score) and set limits on the frequency of the collocates and the MI score.

COLLOCATES **TRAIL** **NOUN**

SORT BY **FREQ** MI MIN MI 2 GO RESET ? HIDE

+ NOUN	NEW WORD	?	+ ADJ	NEW WORD	?	+ VERB	NEW WORD	?	+ ADV	NEW WORD	?
3018	5.81	campaign	486	2.04	long	1575	2.89	leave	175	2.78	along
1151	4.78	mile	264	5.95	steep	1552	3.92	follow	66	2.28	behind
851	3.91	paper	236	2.43	hot	947	7.94	hike	28	2.11	wherever
623	8.75	blazer	213	2.72	cold	915	3.23	lead	18	4.55	left
600	3.70	park	190	4.08	narrow	512	2.56	walk	17	3.92	downhill
514	4.08	mountain	159	4.06	historic	508	8.42	blaze	14	5.42	steeply
470	3.32	blood	153	6.96	scenic	352	2.42	hit	12	2.15	abruptly
419	2.82	road	132	5.66	rocky	278	3.61	ride	11	2.43	upward
411	4.95	bike	100	3.40	rough	178	3.52	climb	11	4.28	uphill

[14] Clusters: see the most frequent 2, 3, and 4 word strings in which the word occurs. You can also choose how “tight” the phrase is. For example, loose (e.g. *the trail*), medium (e.g. *trail that led*), or “tight” (e.g. *campaign trail, trail mix*).

CLUSTERS **TRAIL** **NOUN** See also: VERB LIMIT: Loose Medium **Tight** N+N

Collocates **Clusters** Topics Texts KWIC

576	trail blazers	2991	campaign trail	255	trail of tears	306	up the trail	44	trail of bread crumbs	144	out on the trail
176	trail mix	758	paper trail	183	trail of blood	260	down the trail	16	trail to the top	101	end of the trail
147	trail leads	478	appalachian trail	80	trail of destruction	255	leaving a trail	16	trail through the woods	90	hot on the trail
121	trail system	338	hiking trails	67	trail that led	227	left a trail	14	trails in the sky	88	side of the trail
100	trail map	211	long trail	59	trail of smoke	203	miles of trails	11	trail of broken hearts	72	miles of hiking trails
90	trail led	203	blood trail	45	trail of bread	145	leave a trail	11	trail of blood leading	51	part of the trail
88	trail leading	158	money trail	39	trail of broken	142	follow the trail	11	trail and in public	44	hit the campaign trail
74	trail runs	155	crest trail	39	trail that leads	115	hit the trail	11	trails in the park	39	back down the trail
73	trail again	145	creek trail	37	trail of evidence	108	followed the trail	9	trail in the park	39	back on the trail

[15] Find texts (or websites) where the word is especially frequent, and then with 1-2 clicks, create a “Virtual Corpus” from these texts. You can then search within that Virtual Corpus, and see keywords from the Virtual Corpus.

Create Virtual Corpus

Freq	Text (click for topics)	Words
146	WEB: nps.gov Trail Guide & Suggested Hikes - Point Rey...	trail, valley, bear, hike, point, km, beach, coast, visitor, open, closure, center, road, view, south, continue, section, muddy, junction, sky,
144	WEB: ponderosaca.com Hiking in the Ponderosa area	trail, mile, foot, grove, road, tree, hike, ridge, creek, mountain, difficulty, top, highway, junction, distance, meadow, cross, rock, left, south,
127	NEWS: AssocPress Sunday, Jan. 12	new, trail, base, powder, granular, packed, mt, pack, loose, cross, country, report, skiing, ski, peak, soon, reopen, top, machine, groom,
91	MAG: Backpacker Mother Nature's theme park	trail, forest, pine, area, wildlife, length, mile, section, river, hike, lake, swamp, tree, prairie, oak, camping, fta, contact, route, hardwood,

[16] Concordance lines / Keyword in Context (KWIC): See 100, 200, 500, or 1000 sample lines of the word in context, and sort by words to the left or right.

KWIC **TRAIL** **NOUN** See also as: [VERB](#) # lines: [100](#) [200](#) [500](#) [1000](#) [Home](#) [Collocates](#) [Clusters](#) [Topics](#) [Texts](#) **KWIC** [↺](#) [↓](#)

	WEBSITE		SORT	SORT	SORT
1	MAG:2000:Backpacker	of the Pleasant River , then head north on the Appalachian	Trail	2 miles to	the junction with the Gulf Hags Trail . Descend
2	MAG:2003:Backpacker	exploration , and the joy of hiking the remnants of a	trail	abandoned half a	century ago-if only all backpacking trips
3	FIC:1999:MassachRev	to the attic 's spring-loaded ladder , then follows the slime	trail	across the slimy	floorboards to the porthole window , its
4	WEB:2012:livescience.com	Astronaut 's View of Atlantis ' Descent # Blazing a line	trail	across the face	of the Earth , the Space Shuttle Atlantis makes
5	BLOG:2012:...xpress.wordpress....	of 4,500 people on his first day back on the campaign	trail	after taking a	break from to deal with the devastation of
6	MAG:2006:Backpacker	nically graded switchbacks-a rarity in New England , where the	trails	all seem to	have been conceived by Gunnery Sgt. Hartman from Full
7	MAG:1996:NatlParks	a Badlands plateau to view a petrified forest or following a	trail	along Jones Creek	, can be arranged . # Outfitters in the
8	MAG:2003:SouthernLiv	Key West . Biking ? You 'll find 19 miles of	trails	along the open	road of 30A and plenty of shops that rent
9	NEWS:2015:OrangeCR	what the Santa Ana River recreation opportunities might be . The	trail	along the river	will be complete . " You 'll be able
10	MAG:2006:Bicycling	our Emmaus , PA-based offices . The mountain has almost 40	trails	and a high-speed	lift , diablofreeridepark.com * RAY 'S MTB
11	FIC:2013:KenyonRev	'll do ? We 'll leave the bag here beside the	trail	and collect it	when we come back down , because no litterer

As you can see, the corpora all you to see an extremely wide range of information about each of the top 60,000 words in the corpus – both from the “home page” for each word, as well as more detailed pages (e.g. topics, concordances, and clusters), and many external resources (with a simple link from the “home page”). There is no other corpus that even comes close to providing such a wide range of information.