

gate

See also: Gate, GATE, gâte, gatē, gåte, gateč, -gate and gâté

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English

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /geɪt/

- Audio (GA) (file)
- Audio (AU) (file)
- Rhymes: -eɪt

Etymology 1

From Middle English *gate*, *gat*, *ȝate*, *ȝeat*, from Old English *gæt*, *gat*, *ȝeat* (“a gate, door”), from Proto-Germanic **gatq* (“hole, opening”) (compare Old Norse *gat*, Swedish and Dutch *gat*, Low German *Gaat*, *Gööt*).



A gate

Alternative forms

- *yate* (*obsolete or dialectal*)

Noun

gate (plural *gates*)

- 1.
2. A doorlike structure outside a house.
3. Doorway, opening, or passage in a fence or wall.
4. Movable barrier.

The gate in front of the railroad crossing went up after the train had passed.

5. (*computing*) A logical pathway made up of switches which turn on or off. Examples are *and*, *or*, *nand*, etc.
6. (*cricket*) The gap between a batsman's bat and pad.

Singh was bowled through the gate, a very disappointing way for a world-class batsman to get out.

7. The amount of money made by selling tickets to a concert or a sports event.
8. (*flow cytometry*) A line that separates particle type-clusters on two-dimensional dot plots.
9. Passageway (as in an air terminal) where passengers can embark or disembark.
10. (*electronics*) The controlling terminal of a field effect transistor (FET).
11. In a lock tumbler, the opening for the stump of the bolt to pass through or into.
12. (*metalworking*) The channel or opening through which metal is poured into the mould; the ingate.
13. The waste piece of metal cast in the opening; a sprue or sullage piece. Also written geat and git.
14. (*cinematography*) A mechanism, in a film camera and projector, that holds each frame momentarily stationary behind the aperture.
15. A tally mark consisting of four vertical bars crossed by a diagonal, representing a count of five.

Synonyms

- (*computing*): logic gate

Derived terms

- | | | |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| ▪ Ambergate | ▪ Gate City | ▪ kissing gate |
| ▪ back gate | ▪ gatecrash | ▪ like a bull at a gate |
| ▪ Dieselgate | ▪ Gategate | ▪ lock gate |
| ▪ floodgate | ▪ gatekeeper | ▪ logic gate |
| ▪ Fredkin gate | ▪ gatepost | ▪ lych-gate, lychgate |
| ▪ front gate | ▪ gateway | ▪ pearly gates |

- sluice gate
- tailgate
- stairgate, stair gate
- ticket gate

- Toffoli gate
- tollgate

Translations

door-like structure outside

- Afrikaans: hek ([af](#)), poort
- Albanian: portë ([sq](#)) *f*
- Arabic: بَابٌ *f* (bawwāba)
- Armenian: դարպան ([hy](#)) (darpas)
- Aromanian: poartă *f*
- Assamese: জপনা (zopona), নঞ্চলা (noñola), ফটক (photok)
- Asturian: portón *m*
- Azerbaijani: darvaza ([az](#))
- Bashkir: қапка (qapqa)
- Belarusian: вароты *pl* (varóty), брама *f* (bráma)
- Bengali: দরজা (dôrôja), গেট (get̪)
- Bulgarian: вратá ([bg](#)) *f* (vratá)
- Burmese: ဝေးခဲး ([my](#)) (tamhka:), ဂိတ် ([my](#)) (git)
- Catalan: taquilla ([ca](#)) *f*, porta ([ca](#)) *f*, reixat *m*
- Chinese:
 - Mandarin: 門口 ([zh](#)), 门口 ([zh](#))
(ménkǒu), 門 ([zh](#)), 门 ([zh](#)) (mén), 大門 ([zh](#)), 大门 ([zh](#)) (dàmén)
- Czech: brána ([cs](#)) *f*, vrata ([cs](#)) *pl*
- Danish: port ([da](#)) *c* (large), låge *c*
- Dutch: poort ([nl](#)) *c*
- Estonian: värv
- Faroese: lið *n*, portur *n*, grind *f*
- Finnish: portti ([fi](#))
- French: portail ([fr](#)) *m*, porte ([fr](#)) *f*
- Friulian: ristiel, puarton
- Gallurese: rastéllu, yaca
- Georgian: ჭიშკარი ([č](#)šķari)
- German: Tor ([de](#)) *n*

Central Franconian: Porz
Rhine Franconian: Dor (*Palatine*)

- Latvian: vārti ([lv](#)) *pl*
- Lithuanian: vartai *m pl*
- Luxembourgish: Paart *f*
- Macedonian: порта *f* (porta), капија *f* (kapija), врата *f* (vrata)
- Malay: pintu pagar, gerbang
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- Manchu: ducá (duka)
- Mongolian: хаалга ([mn](#)) (haalga), γүүд ([mn](#)) (üüd)
- Neapolitan: canciello *m*
- Norwegian: port ([no](#)) *m*
- Occitan: portalièra *f*
- Persian: دروازه ([fa](#)) (dar), داروازه ([fa](#)) (darvâze)
- Polish: brama ([pl](#)) *f*, wrota ([pl](#)) *n pl*, furtka ([pl](#)) *f*
- Portuguese: portão ([pt](#)) *m*
- Romanian: poartă ([ro](#)) *f*
- Romansch: porta *f*
- Russian: ворота ([ru](#)) *n pl* (voróta), вратá ([ru](#)) *n pl* (vratá) (dated, poetic or biblical), калитка ([ru](#)) *f* (kalítka) (wicket)
- Sardinian:

Campidanese: arreccia, rastregliu,
ècca, gècca
Logudorese: yaga, yacca

- Scots: yett
- Scottish Gaelic: geata *m*
- Serbo-Croatian:

Cyrillic: капија *f*
Roman: kapija ([sh](#))

- Slovak: brána ([sk](#)) *f*, vráta *pl*
- Slovene: vrata ([sl](#)) *n pl*, lesa *f*
- Sorbian:

Lower Sorbian: wrota *pl*
Upper Sorbian: wrota *pl*

- Spanish: puerta ([es](#)) *f*, portón *m*
- Swahili: lango ([sw](#))
- Swedish: port ([sv](#)) *c*

- Greek: πόρτα (el) *f* (pórtā), εξώπορτα (el) *f* (exóporta), εξώθυρα (el) *f* (exóthyra), αυλόπορτα (el) *f* (avlóporta)

Ancient: πύλη *f* (púlē)

- Hawaiian: puka
- Hebrew: שָׁאָר (he) *m* (sháar)
- Hindi: फाटक (hi) (phāṭak), द्वार (hi) *m* (dvār)
- Hungarian: kapu (hu)
- Icelandic: hlið (is) *n*
- Indonesian: gerbang (id)
- Irish: geata (ga) *m*
- Italian: cancello (it) *m*
- Japanese: 門 (ja) (もん, mon, かど, kado), 大門 (おおもん, ōmon, だいもん, daimon)
- Kazakh: қақпа (kk) (qaqpa), дарбаза (darbaza)
- Khmer: ក្រាគ ទឹវ ចុះ លូ (cræk tvie cool)
- Korean: 문 (ko) (mun), 대문 (ko) (daemun)
- Kyrgyz: капка (karpa), дарбаза (ky) (darbaza)
- Lao: ປະຕູ (lo) (pa tū)
- Latin: porta (la)

doorway, opening, or passage in a fence or wall

- Afrikaans: poort
- Bulgarian: порта (bg) *f* (porta)
- Danish: port (da) *c*, sluse (da) *c* (one-way accessway, e.g. used for security inspection of passengers)
- Dutch: poort (nl) *c*
- Esperanto: barilpordo, pasejo
- Finnish: portti (fi)
- French: porte (fr) *f*
- Galician: portelo (gl)
- Georgian: კარი (kari), კარიბჭე (karibče)
- German: Tor (de) *n*

Central Franconian: Porz

- Greek: πύλη (el) *f* (pýli), θύρα (el) *f* (thýra)

Ancient: πύλη *f* (púlē)

- Hawaiian: puka
- Hebrew: אַבּוֹל (ibúl)

- Tagalog: tarangkahan
- Tajik: дарвоза (tg) (darvoza)
- Tatar: капка (tt) (qapka)
- Thai: ประตู (th) (bprà-dtuu)
- Tibetan: རྒྱାଲ མྴ (rgyal sgo)
- Turkish: kapı (tr)
- Turkmen: derweze
- Udmurt: капка (karpa)
- Ukrainian: ворота *pl* (voróta), брама (uk) *f* (bráma)
- Urdu: دروازہ *m* (dvār), دوار (darvāza), پھاتک (phāṭak)
- Uzbek: darvoza (uz)
- Vietnamese: cổng (vi)
- Walloon: poite (wa)
- Zazaki: ber *m*

- Japanese: 戸 (ja) (tobira)
- Lao: ປະຕູ (lo) (pa tū)
- Latin: porta (la)
- Macedonian: влез *m* (vlez)
- Ngazidja Comorian: goba class 5/6
- Norwegian: port (no) *m*
- Polish: brama (pl) *f*
- Portuguese: portão (pt) *m*
- Romanian: poartă (ro)
- Scots: yell
- Scottish Gaelic: geata *m*
- Sorbian:

Lower Sorbian: wrota *pl*

- Spanish: puerta (es) *f*
- Swedish: port (sv) *c*
- Thai: ประตู (th) (bprà-dtuu)
- Zazaki: maceliğ *m*

- Irish: geata ([ga](#)) *m*
- Italian: cancello ([it](#)) *m*

movable barrier

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bulgarian: бариера (bg) <i>f</i> (bariera) ■ Czech: závora (cs) <i>f</i> ■ Finnish: puomi (fi) ■ Georgian: შლაგბაუმი (šlagbaumi) ■ German: Schlagbaum (de) <i>m</i>, Schranke (de) <i>f</i> ■ Hungarian: sorompó (hu) ■ Japanese: 遮断機 (shadanki) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Latvian: aizsargbarjera <i>f</i> ■ Polish: szlaban (pl) <i>m</i> ■ Scottish Gaelic: geata <i>m</i> ■ Spanish: barrera <i>f</i> ■ Swedish: bom (sv) ■ Zazaki: macelîğ |
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computing: logical pathway

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Finnish: portti (fi) ■ French: porte logique (fr) <i>f</i> ■ Georgian: კარიბჭე (karibče) ■ Japanese: ゲート (gēto) ■ Macedonian: порта <i>f</i> (porta), капија <i>f</i> (kapija) ■ Polish: bramka (pl) <i>f</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Spanish: compuerta <i>f</i> ■ Swedish: grind (sv) <i>f</i> ■ Turkish: kapı (tr) ■ Zazaki: kêber <i>m</i> |
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cricket: gap between a batsman the bat and his pad

money made by selling tickets for an event

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bulgarian: касов сбор <i>m</i> (kasov sbor) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Japanese: 売上げ (uriage) |
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in an air terminal

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Armenian: մուլոց (hy) (mutk‘) ■ Bulgarian: изход (bg) <i>m</i> (izhod) ■ Chinese: <p>Mandarin: 閘口 (zh), 闸口 (zh)
 (zhákōu), 登機口 (zh), 登机口 (zh)
 (dēngjīkōu)</p> ■ Dutch: gate (nl) <i>m</i> ■ Finnish: portti (fi) ■ French: porte (fr) <i>f</i> ■ German: Flugsteig (de) <i>m</i>, Gate (de) <i>n</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Greek: πύλη (el) <i>f</i> (pýli) ■ Icelandic: hlið (is) <i>n</i> ■ Japanese: ゲート (gēto), 搭乗口 (とうじょうぐち, tōjō-guchi) ■ Portuguese: porta (pt) <i>f</i> ■ Russian: ворота (ru) <i>n pl</i> (vorótá),
 вы́ход (ru) <i>m</i> (výkhod) ■ Spanish: puerta (es) <i>f</i> ■ Swedish: gate (sv) <i>f</i> |
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(electronics) name of one terminal of a transistor

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Finnish: hila (fi) ■ French: grille (fr) <i>f</i> ■ Polish: bramka (pl) <i>f</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Spanish: puerta (es) <i>f</i> ■ Swedish: grind (sv) <i>f</i>, gate (sv) <i>f</i> |
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Translations to be checked

- Estonian: (please verify) *värvav*
- Hebrew: (please verify) שער ([he](#)) *m*
- Latin: (please verify) *porta* ([la](#)) *f*
- Mandarin: (please verify) 門 ([zh](#)), (please verify) 门 ([zh](#)) (*men*), (please verify) 大門, (please verify) 大门 ([zh](#)) (*dàmén*), (please verify) 入口 ([zh](#)) (*rùkǒu*), (please verify) 篱笆门, (please verify) 篱笆门 (*libamen*)
- Romanian: (please verify) *poartă* ([ro](#)) *f*

Verb

gate (*third-person singular simple present gates, present participle gating, simple past and past participle gated*)

1. To keep something inside by means of a closed gate.
2. To punish, especially a child or teenager, by not allowing them to go out.

Synonym: ground

- **1971**, E. M. Forster, *Maurice*, Penguin, 1972, Chapter 13, p. 72,^[1] (<https://archive.org/details/maurice00fors>)

“I’ve missed two lectures already,” remarked Maurice, who was breakfasting in his pyjamas.
“Cut them all — he’ll only **gate** you.”

3. (*biochemistry*) To open a closed ion channel.^[1]
4. (*transitive*) To furnish with a gate.
5. (*transitive*) To turn (an image intensifier) on and off selectively as needed, or to avoid damage. See autogating.

Etymology 2

Borrowed from Old Norse *gata*, from Proto-Germanic **gatwō̄*. Cognate with Danish *gade*, Swedish *gata*, German *Gasse* (“lane”).

Noun

gate (*plural gates*)

1. (*now Scotland, Northern England*) A way, path.

- Sir Walter Scott

I was going to be an honest man; but the devil has this very day flung first a lawyer, and then a woman, in my **gate**.

2. (*obsolete*) A journey.

- **1590**, Edmund Spenser, *The Faerie Queene*. [...], London: Printed [by John Wolfe] for VVilliam Ponsonbie, OCLC 960102938 (<http://worldcat.org/oclc/960102938>), book II, canto XII:

[...] nought regarding, they kept on their **gate**, / And all her vain allurements did forsake [...]

3. (*Scotland, Northern England*) A street; now used especially as a combining form to make the name of a street e.g. “Briggate” (a common street name in the north of England meaning “Bridge Street”) or Kirkgate meaning “Church Street”.

4. (*Britain, Scotland, dialectal, archaic*) Manner; gait.

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Anagrams

- EGTA, ETag, Geat, e-tag, geat, geta

Afrikaans

Noun

gate

1. *plural of gat*

Anjam

Noun

gate

1. head

References

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Dutch

Pronunciation

- Audio ([file](#))

Etymology 1

Borrowed from English *gate*.

Noun

gate *m* (*plural gates, diminutive gatetje n*)

1. airport gate

Etymology 2

Borrowed from English *Watergate*.

Noun

gate *m* (*plural gates, diminutive gatetje n*)

1. (*in compounds*) scandal
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Haitian Creole

Etymology

From French *gâter* (“to spoil”).

Verb

gate

1. spoil
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Mauritian Creole

Etymology 1

From English *gate*

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /ge:t/

Noun

gate

1. gate
2. entrance door

Etymology 2

From French *gâté* (“pampered”)

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /gate/

Noun

gate

1. darling, sweetheart

Synonym: cheri

Adjective

gate

1. spoilt

2. stale, expired

Etymology 3

From French *gâter*

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /gate/

Verb

gate (*medial form gat*)

- to spoil, ruin

Synonyms: abime, rwine

Middle English

Etymology 1

From Old English *geat*, *ȝet*, *gat*, from Proto-Germanic **gatq*.

Alternative forms

- gat, yeate, yate, ȝat, ȝæt, ȝeat, ȝate, ȝet, ȝhate

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /ga:t/, /gat/, /jɛt/, /jat/, /ja:t/

Noun

gate (*plural gates or gaten or gate*)

- 1.
2. An entryway or entrance to a settlement or building; a gateway.

3. A gate (door barring an entrance or gap in a fence)

- **a. 1382**, John Wycliffe, “2 Paralipomenon 6:28”, in *Wycliffe's Bible*:

If hungur risib in þe lond and pestilence and rust and wynd diltrynge cornes and a locuste and bȝuke comeþ and if enemyes bisegen þe ȝatis of þe citee aftir þat þe cuntreis ben distried and al veniaunce and likenesse oppȝeffib [...]

If hunger rises in the land, and pestilence, rust, wind, destroying grain, and locusts and their young come, and if enemies besiege a city's **gates** after the city's surrounds are ruined, and when any destruction and disease oppresses (people) [...]

4. (*figuratively*) A method or way of doing something or getting somewhere.

5. (*figuratively*) Any kind of entrance or entryway; e.g. a crossing through mountains.

Derived terms

- flodegate
- Newgate

Descendants

- English: gate, yate
- Scots: yett, yet, ȝett, ȝet

References

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Etymology 2

From Old Norse *gata*, from Proto-Germanic **gatwō*.

Alternative forms

- gat, gatt, gatte, gait

Pronunciation

- IPA^(key): /'ga:t(ə)/, /'gat(ə)/

Noun

gate (*plural gates*)

- 1.
2. A way, path or avenue; a trail or route.
3. A voyage, adventure or leaving; one's course on the road.

4. The way which one acts; one's mode of behaviour:

1. A way or procedure for doing something; a method.
2. A moral or religious path; the course of one's life.
3. (*Late ME*) One's lifestyle or demeanour; the way one chooses to act.
4. (*Late ME*) Gait; the way one walks.

Descendants

- English: gate, gait
- Scots: gate

References

- “gāte (n.(2)) (<https://quod.lib.umich.edu/m/middle-english-dictionary/dictionary/MED18276>)” in *MED Online*, Ann Arbor, Mich.: University of Michigan, 2007, retrieved 2018-06-12.
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Norwegian Bokmål

Etymology

From Old Norse *gata*

Noun

gate *f or m* (*definite singular gata or gaten, indefinite plural gater, definite plural gatene*)

1. a street

Derived terms

- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| ■ bakgate | ■ gatekunst | ■ gateskilt |
| ■ blindgate | ■ gatekunstner | ■ gatestump |
| ■ gatefeier | ■ gatelykt | ■ gågate |
| ■ gatehjørne | ■ gatelys | ■ hovedgate |
| ■ gatekjøkken | ■ gatemarked | ■ sidegate |

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Norwegian Nynorsk

Etymology

From Old Norse *gata*

Noun

gate *f* (*definite singular gata, indefinite plural gater, definite plural gatene*)

1. a street

Derived terms

- bakgate
- blindgate
- gatehjørne
- gatekjøken, gatekjøkken
- gatekunst
- gatekunstnar
- gatelykt
- gatelys
- gateskilt
- gatestump
- gågate
- hovudgate
- sidegate

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- “gate” (<https://ordbok.uib.no/perl/ordbok.cgi?OPP=gate&nynorsk=+&ordbok=nynorsk>) in *The Nynorsk Dictionary*.

Portuguese

Etymology 1

Borrowed from English *gate*.

Pronunciation

- (Brazil) IPA^(key): /'gejtʃ/

Noun

gate *m* (*plural gates*)

1. (*electronics*) gate (circuit that implements a logical operation)

Synonyms

- porta (*more common*)

Etymology 2

Noun

gate *m* (*plural gates*)

1. (*India*) mountain

Synonyms

- monte, montanha

Etymology 3

Verb

gate

1. first-person singular (**eu**) present subjunctive of **gatar**
 2. third-person singular (**ele** and **ela**, also used with **você** and others) present subjunctive of **gatar**
 3. third-person singular (**você**) affirmative imperative of **gatar**
 4. third-person singular (**você**) negative imperative of **gatar**
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Scots

Alternative forms

- gait
- gjet (*sco, Shetland*)

Etymology

Borrowed from Old Norse *gata*.

Noun

gate (plural **gates**)

1. street, way, road, path
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Ternate

Etymology

Compare Tidore *gate*.

Noun

gate

1. heart
2. liver

Synonyms

- nyanga

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