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salty

adjective ∖ 'söl-tē ♥_∖ saltier; saltiest

Definition of *salty*

(Entry 1 of 2)

1a : of, seasoned with, or containing salt salty foods

b : being, inducing, or marked by the one of the five basic taste sensations that is suggestive of seawater — compare <u>bitter entry 1 sense 1a</u>, <u>sour entry 1</u>
<u>sense 1</u>, <u>sweet entry 1 sense 1</u>, <u>umami entry 2</u>
2 : smacking of the sea or nautical life

3a : piquant

b : <u>earthy</u>, <u>crude</u> salty language

4 informal : feeling or showing resentment towards a person or situation : <u>bitter</u> I completely forgot about our date and left my girlfriend waiting at the restaurant for over an hour. Now she's all salty.— Nicole Lane They made me shave my beard and cover up my tattoos, which I was a little salty about.— Jon Niccum

salty noun

Definition of *salty* (Entry 2 of 2)

: the taste sensation that is suggestive of seawater — compare <u>bitter entry 2 sense 1b</u>, <u>sour entry 2 sense 1b</u>, <u>sweet entry 3 sense 2</u>, <u>umami entry 1</u> <u>Other Words from salty</u> <u>Synonyms & Antonyms</u> <u>More Example Sentences</u> <u>Learn More about salty</u>

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saltily \ 'so̍l-tə-lē 🔍 \ adverb saltiness \ 'so̍l-tē-nəs 🔍 \ noun

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Synonyms: Adjective

brackish, briny, saline, salt

Antonyms: Adjective

<u>nonsaline</u>

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Adjective

I think the soup tastes *salty*. *salty* sea water is safe to swim in, but you really shouldn't swallow it

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<u>salubrious</u>

<u>Saluda</u>

<u>salue</u>

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: containing salt or too much salt US, old-fashioned : somewhat rude or shocking

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adjective ∖ 'söl-tē ♥_\ saltier; saltiest

Kids Definition of *salty*

: of, tasting of, or containing salt *salty* food

salty <u>adjective</u> \ 'sol-tē ♥_\ saltier; saltiest

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: of, seasoned with, or containing salt Other Words from *salty*

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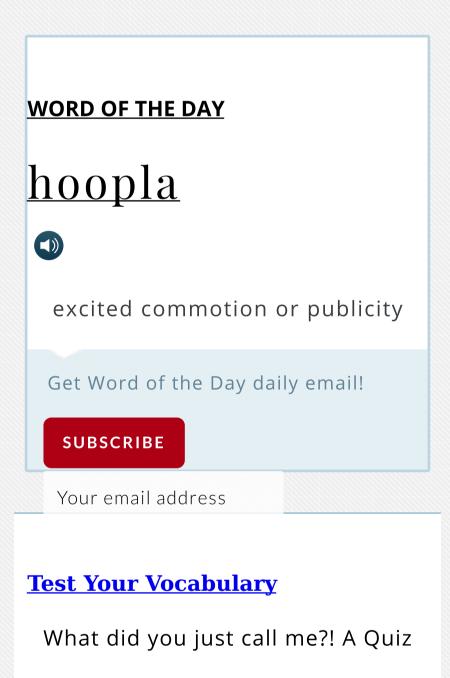
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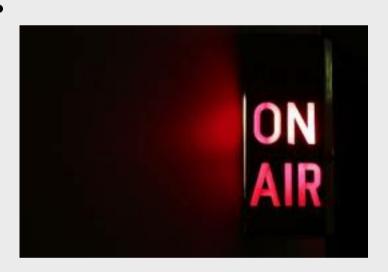


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