

# Word Ladder

Solutions with Word Definitions

Puzzle 0475: Get from the **STORE** to the **SHOPS** in 6 steps or less.

	S	T	O	R	E	A place where goods are kept or sold; a supply of goods; to keep a supply.
1.	S	T	O	N	E	Mineral or mineral aggregate; a small rock; hard seed of a drupe; unit of weight.
2.	S	H	O	N	E	Past tense of <i>shine</i> , to emit or reflect light brilliantly; to perform notably well.
3.	S	H	I	N	E	To emit or reflect light brilliantly; to perform notably well.
4.	S	H	I	N	S	Plural of <i>shin</i> , front of lower leg; 3rd p. sing. of <i>shin</i> , to climb a vertical pole or rope.
5.	S	H	I	P	S	Plural of <i>ship</i> , a large boat or other transport vessel; 3rd p. sing. of <i>ship</i> , to send out.
6.	S	H	O	P	S	Plural of <i>shop</i> , place for buying goods; 3rd p. sing. of <i>shop</i> , buy or inform against.

Puzzle 0476: Get the **HOUND** to the **BITCH** in 13 steps or less.

	H	O	U	N	D	A hunting dog.
1.	B	O	U	N	D	Past tense of <i>bind</i> , to tie together; past tense of <i>boun</i> to make ready or oblige.
2.	B	O	U	N	S	3rd p. sing. of <i>boun</i> to make ready or oblige to carry out a course of action.
3.	B	O	U	T	S	Plural of <i>bout</i> , an episode, an organised fight.
4.	B	O	L	T	S	Plural of <i>bolt</i> , a metal part used to fasten or lock; 3rd p. sing. of <i>bolt</i> , fasten, flee.
5.	B	A	L	T	S	Plural of <i>balt</i> , a person of descent from one of the nations around the Baltic Sea.
6.	B	A	R	T	S	Plural of <i>bart</i> , a baronet; St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London.
7.	D	A	R	T	S	Plural of <i>dart</i> , an arrow or small pointed projectile.
8.	D	I	R	T	S	Plural of <i>dirt</i> , any type of soil or excrement; 3rd p. sing. of <i>dirt</i> , to soil or befoul.
9.	G	I	R	T	S	Plural of <i>girt</i> , a horizontal beam or girder; 3rd p. sing. of <i>girt</i> , to bind with a belt.
10.	G	I	R	T	H	Band which holds a saddle in place; circumference; waist measurement.
11.	B	I	R	T	H	Parturition; emergence of a child from its parent; origin; beginning.
12.	B	I	R	C	H	Deciduous tree; bundle of twigs; to administer corporal punishment with a birch.
13.	B	I	T	C	H	A female dog.

Puzzle 0477: Show that **HURTS** leads to a **WOUND** in 9 steps or less.

	H	U	R	T	S	Plural of <i>hurt</i> , an injury; 3rd p. sing. of <i>hurt</i> , to cause pain or injury.
1.	H	A	R	T	S	Plural of <i>hart</i> , a male deer.
2.	T	A	R	T	S	Plural of <i>tart</i> , a small flan or open pastry.
3.	T	O	R	T	S	Plural of <i>tort</i> , a breach of contract.
4.	T	O	O	T	S	Plural of <i>toot</i> , a short blast of a whistle or wind instrument, or similar sound.
5.	T	O	O	L	S	Plural of <i>tool</i> , a piece of equipment; 3rd p. sing. of <i>tool</i> , to equip.
6.	W	O	O	L	S	Plural of <i>wool</i> , fabric, yarn or fibres containing animal hair.
7.	W	O	O	L	D	To reinforce or repair with a rope or chain winding.
8.	W	O	U	L	D	Past tense of <i>will</i> ; auxiliary verb used to form a conditional mood; may, or might.
9.	W	O	U	N	D	An injury or trauma; to injure or hurt; past tense of <i>wind</i> , to coil or wrap around.