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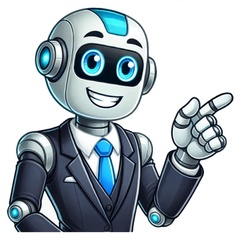

TalladjectiveEtymology: tâl, Welsh.1. High in stature. Bring word, how tall she is. William Shakespeare, Ant. and Cleopatra. Two of nobler shape,Erect and tall. John Milton.2. High; lofty. Winds rush'd abroadFrom the four hinges of the world, and fellOn the vext wilderness, whose tallest pines,Though rooted deep as high, and sturdiest oaksBow'd their stiff necks. John Milton, Par. Reg. b. iv. May they encrease as fast, and spread their boughs,As the high fame of their great owner grows:May he live long enough to see them allDark shadows cast, and as his palace tall!Methinks I see the love that shall be made,The lovers walking in that am'rous shade. Edmund Waller.3. Sturdy; lusty. I'll swear thou art a tall fellow of thy hands, and that thou wilt not be drunk; but I know thou art no tall fellow of thy hands, and that thou wilt be drunk; but I would thou wouldst be a tall fellow of thy hands. William Shakespeare, Winter's Tale. adjective as in high in stature, lengthStrongest matchesbig, great, lanky, rangy, soaring, toweringStrong matchesbeanstalk, elevated, giantadjective as in exaggerated, unreasonableStrongest matcheshard, steepStrong matchesabsurd, impossibleExamples have not been reviewed.He said: "He can control the ball, but at the same time he can also dribble like a 1.6 metre dribbler. He's a player who is two metres tall but he has technique like Messi."I'm not the tallest person — and when I wear my boots I'm still not the tallest person — but it brings in a feeling of confidence where I can stomp somewhere.The 2007 painting is not large — 2½ feet tall and slightly narrower — but it casts a spell.But on this particular Friday, at least, I headed into the weekend feeling looser and, if nothing else, an inch or so taller.Dever stands 5 foot 3 and bears little resemblance to the tall, muscular version of Abby seen in "The Last of Us" game.From Roget's 21st Century Thesaurus, Third Edition Copyright © 2013 by the Philip Lief Group.Browse#aabbccddeeffgghhiijjkkllmmnnooppqqrrssttuuvvwwxxyyzzAboutCareersContact usCookies, terms, & privacyHelpFollow usGet the Word of the Day every day!© 2025 Dictionary.com, LLC (of a person, building, tree, etc.) having a greater than average heightShe's tall and thin.the tallest building in the worldtall trees/chimneysa tall glass of iced teaHe's grown taller since I last saw him. opposite shortTopics Appearancea1Oxford Collocations DictionaryverbsadverbSee full entry used to describe or ask about the height of somebody/somethingHow tall are you?He's six feet tall and weighs 200 pounds.Which Word? high / tallhigh / tallHigh is used to talk about the measurement from the bottom to the top of something:The fence is over five metres high.He has climbed some of the world's highest mountains. You also use high to describe the distance of something from the ground:How high was the plane when the engine failed?Tall is used instead of high to talk about people:My brother's much taller than me.Tall is also used for things that are high and narrow such as trees:She ordered cold beer in a tall glass.tall factory chimneysTall pine trees line the roadways. Buildings can be high or tall. Word Originlate Middle English: probably from Old English getæl 'swift, prompt'. Early senses also included 'fine, handsome' and 'bold, strong, good at fighting'.Idioms (informal) to be very difficult to do great/tall oaks from little acorns grow (saying) something large and successful often begins in a very small wayTopics Successc2 (especially North American English) to show that you are proud and able to deal with anythingSuddenly he seemed to stand taller.Topics Personal qualitiesc2 to feel proud and confidentTopics Feelingsc2, Personal qualitiesc2 See tall in the Oxford Advanced American DictionarySee tall in the Oxford Learner's Dictionary of Academic English Nearby words railway noun From the Word list Oxford 3000 A2 Oxford Learner's Dictionaries Word of the Day adjective (10)adverb (1)noun (1)having a relatively great height; of more than average stature: tall grass.having stature or height as specified.large in amount or degree; considerable.a tall price;Swinging that deal is a tall order.extravagant; difficult to believe.high-flown; grandiloquent.He engages in so much tall talk, one never really knows what he's saying.having more than usual length; long and relatively narrow.He carried a tall walking stick.(of a drink) consisting of liquor mixed with other ingredients and served in a large glass, as a cocktail.We watched as he put together a Mamie Taylor, a tall drink with Scotch, ginger beer, and lime.Tall, (of beverages at Starbucks coffee shops) being of a small size equal to 12 ounces (354 milliliters).Archaic. valiant.Obsolete. seemly; proper.fine; handsome.in a proud, confident, or erect manner: to walk tall.to stand tall;to walk tall.Tall, (at Starbucks coffee shops) a small size of beverage equal to 12 ounces (354 milliliters).of more than average height(postpositive) having a specified height(in combination)a twenty-foot-tall partitioninformal exaggerated or incredibleinformal difficult to accomplishan archaic word for excellent"Collins English Dictionary — Complete & Unabridged" 2012 Digital Edition © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1979, 1986 © HarperCollins Publishers 1998, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2012tallness noun'tallness nounOrigin of tall1First recorded before 1000; Middle English: "big, bold, comely, proper, ready," Old English getæl (plural getale) "quick, ready, competent"; cognate with Old High German gizal "quick"Origin of tall1C14 (in the sense: big, comely, valiant); related to Old English getæl prompt, Old High German gizal quick, Gothic untals foolishIn addition to the idioms beginning with tall, also see walk tall.Examples have not been reviewed.He said: "He can control the ball, but at the same time he can also dribble like a 1.6 metre dribbler. 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[uncountable] WordReference Random House Unabridged Dictionary of American English © 2025tall (tôl),USA pronunciation adj., -er, -est, adv. —adj. having a relatively great height; of more than average stature:a tall woman; tall grass. having stature or height as specified:a man six feet tall. large in amount or degree; considerable:a tall price; Swinging that deal is a tall order. extravagant; difficult to believe:a tall tale. high-flown; grandiloquent:He engages in so much tall talk, one never really knows what he's saying. having more than usual length; long and relatively narrow:He carried a tall walking stick. [Archaic.]valiant. [Obs.] seemly; proper. fine; handsome. adv. in a proud, confident, or erect manner:to stand tall; to walk tall. bef. 1000; Middle English: big, bold, comely, proper, ready, Old English getæl (plural getale) quick, ready, competent; cognate with Old High German gizal quick tall'ness, n. 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From Wiktionary Middle English brave, quick from Old English getæl swift del-2 in Indo-European roots From American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, 5th Edition Also found in: Thesaurus, Medical, Acronyms, Idioms, Encyclopedia, Wikipedia.Related to tall: Tall Timbers (tôl)adj. tall·er, tall·est 1. a. Having greater than ordinary height: a tall woman.b. Having considerable height, especially in relation to width; lofty: tall trees.2. Having a specified height: a plant three feet tall.3. Informal Fanciful or exaggerated; boastful: tall tales of heroic exploits.4. Impressively great or difficult: a tall order to fill.5. Obsolete Excellent; fine.adv. With proud bearing; straight: stand tall.American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition. Copyright © 2016 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. (tɔːl) adj1. of more than average height2. a. (postpositive) having a specified height: a woman five feet tall. b. (in combination): a twenty-foot-tall partition. 3. informal exaggerated or incredible: a tall story. 4. informal difficult to accomplish: a tall order. 5. an archaic word for excellent[C14 (in the sense: big, comely, valiant); related to Old English getæl prompt, Old High German gizal quick, Gothic untals foolish]Collins English Dictionary – Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (tɔl) adj. 1. having a relatively great height or stature. 2. having stature or height as specified: a man six feet tall. 3. large in amount or degree: a tall price. 4. exaggerated; improbable: a tall tale. 5. high-flown; grandiloquent: tall talk. adv. 7. in a proud, erect manner: to stand tall. n. 8. a garment size for tall persons. 9. a garment in this size. [before 1000; Middle English: comely, proper, ready, Old English getæl quick, ready] Random House Kernerman Webster's College Dictionary, © 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved. – tall1. 'high'You use high to describe things which measure a larger distance than usual from the bottom to the top. For example, you talk about a high hill or a high fence....the high mountains of northern Japan....the high walls of the prison.2. 'tall'You use tall to describe things which are higher than usual, but which are also much higher than they are wide. So, for example, you talk about a tall tree or a tall chimney.Insects buzzed in the tall grass.We saw several birds, including a tall heron standing on one leg.You always use tall when you are talking about people.Andreas was a tall handsome man.She was a young woman, fairly tall and slim.3. another meaning of 'high'High also means 'a long way above the ground'. For example, you talk about a high window or a high shelf.It was a large room with a high ceiling.Collins COBUILD English Usage © HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 2004, 2011, 2012 Noun1.tall - a garment size for a tall personsize - the property resulting from being one of a series of graduated measurements (as of clothing); "he wears a size 13 shoe"Adj.1.tall - great in vertical dimension; high in stature; "tall people"; "tall buildings"; "tall trees"; "tall ships"high - (literal meaning) being at or having a relatively great or specific elevation or upward extension (sometimes used in combinations like `knee-high'); "a high mountain"; "high ceilings"; "high buildings"; "a high forehead"; "a high incline"; "a foot high"big, large - above average in size or number or quantity or magnitude or extent; "a large city"; "set out for the big city"; "a large sum"; "a big (or large) barn"; "a large family"; "big businesses"; "a big expenditure"; "a large number of newspapers"; "a big group of scientists"; "large areas of the world"short, little - low in stature; not tall; "he was short and stocky"; "short in stature"; "a short smokestack"; "a little man"2.tall - lofty in style; "he engages in so much tall talk, one never really realizes what he is saying"grandiloquent, magniloquentrhetorical - given to rhetoric, emphasizing style at the expense of thought; "mere rhetorical frippery"3.tall - impressively difficult; "a tall order"colloquialism - a colloquial expression; characteristic of spoken or written communication that seeks to imitate informal speechdifficult, hard - not easy; requiring great physical or mental effort to accomplish or comprehend or endure; "a difficult task"; "nesting places on the cliffs are difficult of access"; "difficult times"; "why is it so hard for you to keep a secret?"4.tall - too improbable to admit of belief; "a tall story"marvelous, improbable, marvellousincredible, unbelievable - beyond belief or understanding; "at incredible speed"; "the book's plot is simply incredible"Based on WordNet 3.0, Farlex clipart collection. © 2003-2012 Princeton University, Farlex Inc.adjective2. high, towering, soaring, steep, elevated, lofty a lawn of tall, waving grass high small, short, tiny, wee, squat, stumpy3. (Informal) implausible, incredible, far-fetched, steep (Brit. informal), exaggerated, absurd, unbelievable, preposterous, embellished, overblown, cock-and-bull (informal) a tall story implausible true, plausible, believable, reasonable, accurate, realistic, unexaggeratedCollins Thesaurus of the English Language – Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 © HarperCollins Publishers 1995, 2002adjective The American Heritage® Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright © 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. مُرْتَفِع , طويلطَويل, طولُهعالٍ altoelevatograndeincredibileordine impossibilepramanyta istorijasunki užduotisūgioCollins Spanish Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged 8th Edition 2005 © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1971, 1988 © HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005Collins English/French Electronic Resource. © HarperCollins Publishers 2005 adj (+er) building, tree, grass, glass, window → hoch; mast → lang, hoch Collins German Dictionary – Complete and Unabridged 7th Edition 2005. © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1980 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007 [tɔːl] adj (-er (comp) (-est (superl))) → alto/ahow tall are you? → quanto sei alto?I'm 6 feet tall → sono alto 1 metro 80that's a tall order! → è una bella pretesa!Collins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition © HarperCollins Publishers 1995 (tɔːl) adjective1. (of people and thin or narrow objects such as buildings or trees) higher than normal. a tall man/tree. lank, hoog عالٍ , مُرْتَفِع , висок alto vysoký groß høj ψηλόçalto pikk körge بلند pitkä haut, grandגבוהה □□□□□ visok, velik magas tinggi hár alto (背が)高い aukštas garš; slaids tinggi lang, hooghøy, langwysoki alto ínalt высокий vysoký visok visok lång, hög □□□□□□ (□□□□□, □□□□□, □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ □) uzun boylu, yüksek 高的 високий لمبا، دراز قامت cao 高的2. (of people) having a particular height. John is only four feet tall. lank طَوِيل, طولُه висок groß høj που έχει ένα συγκεκριμένο ύψος (για πρόσωπο) de altura pikkune بلند قد pituinen mesurer בגובה □□□□□ visok magas setinggi hár, á hæð alto ~の高さの ūgio garš tinggi langhøy ... wzrostu de altura înalt de (...) рост vysoký velik visok lång □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ (□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ □) ... boyunda 身高 такий, що має певний ріст طويل có chiều cao đặc biệt 身高'tallness noun lankheid طول височина altura výška die Größe det at være høj ύψοçaltura pikkus بلندی pituus hauteur, grande taille גבה □□□□□, □□□□□□ tjelesna visina magasság, nagyság ketinggian hæð altezza 高さ ūgis garums ketinggian het hoge det å være høy/lang wysoki wzrost altura înălțime; statură înaltă высокий рост výška višina visina längd, reslighet, höjd □□□□□□□ uzun boyluluk, yüksekliк 高(度) висотність لمباني chiều cao 高（度） a tall order something very difficult to do. Finding somewhere for fifty children to stay tonight is rather a tall order. moeilike taak طَلَبٌ صَعْب трудност tarefa difícil těžký úkol viel verlangen en meget vanskelig opgave δύσκολη υπόθεση tarea difícil; es mucho pedir raske ülesanne كار مشكل hankala tehtävä difficile דרישה מוגזמת □□□□ □□□□ neumjeren, pretjeran zahtjev túl nagy feladat sulit erfitt viðureignar (compito difficile) 難かしいこと sunki užduotis grūts uzdevums/darbs tugas yg agak mustahil een onredelijke eis litt mye forlangt wygórowane żądanie, trudne zadanie tarefa difícil lucru greu трудная задача ťažká úloha pretirana zahteva teška stvar ett jättejobb, mycket begärt □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ olmayacak şey/dua 難辦的事 важка справа انت□اني مشكل nhiệm vụ khó khăn 难办的差使，无理的要求 a tall story a story which is hard to believe. He is always telling tall stories. opgemaakte verhaal قِصَّه مُبالَغه невероятна история história de pescador přehnaná historka unglaubliche Geschichte løgnehistorie απίθανη ιστορία cuento chino hu داستان باورنکردنی liioiteltu tarina histoire à dormir debout סיפור מוגזם □□□□□□□□□ □□□ nevjerojatna pripovjest hihetetlen történet cerita mustahil ótrúleg saga, ýkjusaga spacconata 信じられない話 pramanyta istorija izdomājums cerita yg sukar dipercayai een sterk verhaal skrøne, røverhistorie bujda parlapatice poveste de adormit copiii/de necrezut небылица prehnaná histo verjetna zgodba neverovatna priča en fantastisk (otrolig) historia □□□□□□□□□□ palavra, martaval 難以相信的故事 небувальщина; вигадка كاذب□اني يقين câu chuyện khó tin 难以相信的故事，荒诞的故事 tall is used especially of people, and of other (narrow) upright objects: a tall girl, tree, building . high is used of objects that are a long way off the ground, or reach a great he high shelf, diving-board, mountain, wall . Kernerman English Multilingual Dictionary © 2006-2013 K Dictionaries Ltd. → طَويل vysoký høj groß ψηλός alto pitkä grand visok alto 高い □가 □ lang høy wysoki alto высокий lång □□□ uzun boylu cao 高的Multilingual Translator © HarperCollins Publishers 2009English-Spanish Medical Dictionary © Farlex 2012Collins Multilingual Translator © HarperCollins Publishers 2009 adj alto; How tall are you?..¿Cuál es su altura?English-Spanish/Spanish-English Medical Dictionary Copyright © 2006 by The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. All rights reserved. Want to thank TFD for its existence? Tell a friend about us, add a link to this page, or visit the webmaster's page for free fun content. Link to this page: One, a tall, fair-haired lad in a clean blue coat, was standing over the others.From the main truck of the average tall ship the horizon describes a circle of many miles, in which you can see another ship right down to her water-line; and these very eyes which follow this writing have counted in their time over a hundred sail becalmed, as if within a magic ring, not very far from the Azores - ships more or less tall.The girl was quiet, tall, and dark, and to many people she seemed very beauti- ful.Once a certain tall soldier developed virtues and went resolutely to wash a shirt.Janet is a dear soul and very nicelooking; tall, but not over-tall; stoutish, yet with a certain restraint of outline suggestive of a thrifty soul who is not going to be overlavish even in the matter of avoirdupois.Athos and he exchanged some words in a low voice, then the tall man made a sign to the Musketeer that he might come in.One of the pair was Angel Clare, the other a tall budding creature--half girl, half woman--a spiritualized image of Tess, slighter than she, but with the same beautiful eyes--Clare's sister-in-law,A camel is as tall as any ordinary dwelling-house in Syria--which is to say a camel is from one to two, and sometimes nearly three feet taller than a good-sized man.Pickwick, as the tall quadruped evinced a decided inclination to back into the coffee-room window.A tall woman, with wrinkled brown skin and black hair, stood looking down at me; I knew that she must be my grandmother.The first was a tall lady with dark hair, dark eyes, and a pale and large forehead; her figure was partly enveloped in a shawl, her countenance was grave, her bearing erect.