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sign/san/USA pronunciation n.[countable] an indication; something that signifies something else:Bowing is a sign of respect. a mark or symbol used as an abbreviation for the word or words it represents, as in music or mathematics, etc.:a dollar sign. a gesture used to express or convey information, an idea, etc.:He raised his eyebrows, which was his sign that he didn't believe what I was saying. a board, placard, etc., with writing or a drawing on it that bears a warning, advertisement, or other information for public view:a traffic sign. something left behind that indicates the presence of something else; a trace:There wasn't a sign of the crooks. a signal or hint that something will happen; an omen; portent:The early frost was a sign of a long, harsh winter ahead. Medicinean indication of a disease:Extra saliva at the mouth, odd behavior, and inability to drink are all signs of rabies. Linguisticsany gesture that is a unit of meaning in sign language:She showed me the signs for "eat,'' "love,'' and "teacher.'' Astrologyone of the twelve signs of the zodiac:His sign is Capricorn; what's your sign? v.to write (one's signature) on (something): [~+object]to sign a letter.[no object]Where should I sign? to hire by written agreement:[~+object]to sign a basketball player. to write one's signature to indicate acceptance, as of a contract for employment:[no object]refused to sign with the Yankees. to communicate by means of a sign; signal: [~+object]He signed his obvious displeasure by frowning.[~+that clause]He signed to her that they should leave. [no object] to make signals; communicate something by signals:She signed to the waiter for the check. Linguisticsto convey or signal (a message) in a sign language: [no object]She signed frantically to him but he wasn't looking at her.[~+object]She signed the words for "water'' and "glass'' to ask for a glass of water. sign awayorover, to dispose of by putting one's signature on a document: [~+over+object]According to the agreement he has signed over all the property.[~+object+over]She signed the property over to her daughter. sign for, [~+for+object] to sign one's name or signature to acknowledge that one has received (a package, letter, etc.):signed for the packages. sign in(orout), [no object] to record one's arrival (or departure) by signing a register:He signed in when he got to work. sign off, [no object] to stop broadcasting, esp. at the end of the day:The station signed off at three in the morning. to indicate one's approval openly if not formally:The boss signed off on my plan. sign on: [~+on+object] to hire:He signed on several good players. to agree to do something: [no object]He signed on as a pitcher for the team.[~+on+to+verb]I signed on to help. [no object] to start a session with computer systems:He signed on to the system by typing his computer I.D. and his password. sign up: [no object] to join an organization or group:to sign up for the navy. to hire: [~+object+up]Sign him up if he can pitch tomorrow.[~+up+object]to sign up some good players. signer, n.[countable]See -sign-. -sign-,root. -sign- comes from Latin, where it has the meaning "sign; have meaning.'' This meaning is found in such words as: assign, assignation, consign, cosign, design, designate, ensign, insignia, insignificant, resign, sign, signal, signature, signet, significant, signify, undersigned. sign (sn),USA pronunciationn. a token; indication. Linguisticsany object, action, event, pattern, etc., that conveys a meaning. a conventional or arbitrary mark, figure, or symbol used as an abbreviation for the word or words it represents. a motion or gesture used to express or convey an idea, command, decision, etc.:Her nod was a sign that it was time to leave. a notice, bearing a name, direction, warning, or advertisement, that is displayed or posted for public view:a traffic sign; a store sign. a trace; vestige:There wasn't a sign of them. an arbitrary or conventional symbol used in musical notation to indicate tonality, tempo, etc. Medicinethe objective indications of a disease. Linguisticsany meaningful gestural unit belonging to a sign language. an omen; portent:a sign of approaching decadence. AstrologySeesign of the zodiac. LinguisticsSeesign language(def. 1). Usually,signs.traces, as footprints, of a wild animal. Mathematics Mathematicsa plus sign or minus sign used as a symbol for indicating addition or subtraction. a plus sign or minus sign used as a symbol for indicating the positive or negative value of a quantity, as an integer. Seemultiplication sign. Seedivision sign. Mathematicsa symbol, as or !, used to indicate a radical or factorial operation. v.t.to affix a signature to:to sign a letter. to write as a signature:to sign one's name. to engage by written agreement:to sign a new player. to mark with a sign, esp. the sign of the cross. to communicate by means of a sign; signal:He signed his wish to leave. Linguisticsto convey (a message) in a sign language. [Obs.]to direct or appoint by a sign. v.i.to write one's signature, as a token of agreement, obligation, receipt, etc.:to sign for a package. to make a sign or signal:He signed to her to go away. Linguisticsto employ a sign language for communication. to obligate oneself by signature:He signed with another team for the next season. sign awayorover, to assign or dispose of by affixing one's signature to a document:She signed over her fortune to the church. sign in(orout) to record or authorize one's arrival (or departure) by signing a register. sign off: to withdraw, as from some responsibility or connection. to cease radio or television broadcasting, esp. at the end of the day. Informal Termsto become silent:He had exhausted conversation topics and signed off. to indicate one's approval explicitly if not formally:The president is expected to sign off on the new agreement. sign on: to employ; hire. to bind oneself to work, as by signing a contract:He signed on as a pitcher with a major-league team. to start radio or television broadcasting, esp. at the beginning of the day. [Computers.]log1 (def. 17a). sign up, to enlist, as in an organization or group; to register or subscribe:to sign up for the navy; to sign up for class. Latin signre to mark with a sign, inscribe, affix a seal to, derivative of signum Old French signer Latin signum mark, sign, ensign, signal, image; (verb, verbal) Middle English signen to mark with a sign, esp. the sign of the cross Old French (noun, nominal) Middle English signe 11751225 signless, adj. signlike, adj. 1. trace, hint, suggestion. 1. 4. signal. 10. indication, hint, augury. Sign, omen, portent name that which gives evidence of a future event. Sign is a general word for whatever gives evidence of an event--past, present, or future:Dark clouds are a sign of rain or snow.An omen is an augury or warning of things to come; it is used only of the future, in general, as good or bad:birds of evil omen.Portent, limited, like omen, to prophecy of the future, may be used of a specific event, usually a misfortune:portents of war. sign /san/ n something that indicates or acts as a token of a fact, condition, etc, that is not immediately or outwardly observable an action or gesture intended to convey information, a command, etc a board, placard, etc, displayed in public and inscribed with words or designs intended to inform, warn, etc (as modifier): a sign painter an arbitrary or conventional mark or device that stands for a word, phrase, etc any symbol indicating an operation: a plus sign, an implication sign the positivity or negativity of a number, quantity, or expression an indication or vestige: the house showed no signs of being occupied a portentous or significant event an indication, such as a scent or spoor, of the presence of an animal any objective evidence of the presence of a disease or disorder Compare symptom Compare sign of the zodiac vb to write (one's name) as a signature to (a document, etc) in attestation, confirmation, ratification, etc (intransitive) often followed by to: to make a sign; 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to register or subscribe.to sign up for the navy;to sign up for a class.to record or authorize ones departure by providing one's name and other requested information on a register, website, or digital device.Residents of the halfway house must sign out at the office when leaving.to record that one is borrowing (a tool, file, book, etc.) by providing one's name and other requested information on a register, website, or digital device.We can sign out one of the canoes for a few hours and go exploring.Digital_Technologyto log out of an account on a device or website.If using a library computer, be sure to sign out at the end of your session.something that indicates or acts as a token of a fact, condition, etc, that is not immediately or outwardly observablean action or gesture intended to convey information, a command, etca board, placard, etc, displayed in public and inscribed with words or designs intended to inform, warn, etc(as modifier)an arbitrary or conventional mark or device that stands for a word, phrase, etcmaths logicany symbol indicating an operationa plus signan implication signthe positivity or negativity of a number, quantity, or expressionsubtraction from zero changes the sign of an expressionan indication or vestigethe house showed no signs of being occupieda portentous or significant eventan indication, such as a scent or spoor, of the presence of an animalmed any objective evidence of the presence of a disease or disorder Compare symptomastrology Compare sign of the zodiacCollins English Dictionary Complete & Unabridged 2012 Digital Edition William Collins Sons & Co. 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Portent, limited, like omen, to prophecy of the future, may be used of a specific event, usually a misfortune: portents of war.Examples have not been reviewed.The CCC sees signs of progress, including a near doubling of the number of electric cars on UK roads in the past two years.After 18 seasons with the Green Bay Packers and two with the New York Jets, Rodgers signed a one-year deal with the Steelers as a free agent this summer.Kapoor also notes that BBC's Mark Tully, along with journalists from The Times, Newsweek and The Daily Telegraph, were given 24 hours to leave India for refusing to sign a "censorship agreement".Supporters gathered in a crowd, carrying signs and Palestinian flags, with some chanting: "We will not be silenced."There are signs that the pressure is working.Freud, SigmundsignaBrowse#aabbccddeeffgghhiijjkkllmmnnooppqqrrsstuuvvwwxxyyzzAboutCareersContact usCookies, terms, & privacyHelpFollow usGet the Word of the Day every day! 2025 Dictionary.com, LLC Also found in: Thesaurus, Medical, Legal, Acronyms, Idioms, Encyclopedia, Wikipedia. (sn)n.1. Something that suggests the presence or existence of a fact, condition, or quality: A high temperature is a sign of fever.2. a. An act or gesture used to convey an idea, a desire, information, or a command: gave the go-ahead sign. See Synonyms at gesture.3. a. A displayed structure bearing lettering or symbols, used to identify or advertise a place of business: a motel with a flashing neon sign outside.b. A posted notice bearing a designation, direction, or command: an EXIT sign above a door; a traffic sign.4. A conventional figure or device that stands for a word, phrase, or operation; a symbol, as in mathematics or in musical notation.5. pl. sign An indicator, such as a dropping or footprint, of the trail of an animal: looking for deer sign.6. A trace or vestige: no sign of life.7. A portentous incident or event; a presage: took the eclipse as a sign from God.8. Medicine An objective finding, usually detected on physical examination, from a laboratory test, or on an x-ray, that indicates the presence of abnormality or disease.9. One of the 12 divisions of the zodiac, each named for a constellation and represented by a symbol.v. signed, signing, signs v.tr.1. To affix one's signature to: signed the letter.2. To write (one's signature): signed her name to the contract.3. To approve or ratify (a document) by affixing a signature, seal, or other mark: sign a bill into law.4. To hire or engage by obtaining a signature on a contract: signed a rookie pitcher for next season; sign up actors for a tour.5. To relinquish or transfer title to by signature: signed away all her claims to the estate.6. To provide with a sign or signs: sign a new highway.7. To communicate with a sign or signs: signed his approval with a nod.8. To express (a word or thought, for example) in a sign language: signed her reply to the question.9. To consecrate with the sign of the cross.v.intr.1. To make a sign or signs; signal.2. To communicate in a sign language.3. To write one's signature.Phrasal Verbs: sign in1. To record the arrival of another or oneself by signing a register.2. To log in to a website or network. sign off1. To announce the end of a communication; conclude.2. To stop transmission after identifying the broadcasting station.3. Informal To express approval formally or conclusively: got Congress to sign off on the new tax proposal. sign on1. To enlist oneself, especially as an employee: "Retired politicians often sign on with top-dollar law firms" (New York Times).2. To be in agreement with something; accept or support something: a senator who signed on to the president's tax policy.3. To start transmission with an identification of the broadcasting station. sign out1. To record the departure of another or oneself by signing a register.2. To log out of a website or network. sign up To agree to be a participant or recipient by signing one's name; enlist: signed up for military service; signing up for a pottery course.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. (san) n1. something that indicates or acts as a token of a fact, condition, etc, that is not immediately or outwardly observable2. an action or gesture intended to convey information, a command, etc3. a. a board, placard, etc, displayed in public and inscribed with words or designs intended to inform, warn, etcb. (as modifier): a sign painter. 4. an arbitrary or conventional mark or device that stands for a word, phrase, etc5. 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(intr) to use sign language[C13: from Old French signe, from Latin signum a sign]Collins English Dictionary Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (san) n. 1. a token; indication: Bowing is a sign of respect. 2. a conventional mark, figure, or symbol used as an abbreviation for the word or words it represents. 3. a motion or gesture used to express or convey information, an idea, etc. 4. an inscribed board, placard, or the like bearing a warning, advertisement, or other information and displayed for public view: a traffic sign; a store sign. 5. a trace; vestige: There wasn't a sign of them. 6. Usu., signs. traces, as footprints, of a wild animal. 8. an arbitrary or conventional symbol used in musical notation to indicate tonality, tempo, etc. 9. an objective indication of a disease. 10. any meaningful gestural unit belonging to a sign language. 11. sign language (def. 1). 13. a symbol, as + or =, used to indicate a mathematical operation or relation. v.t. 14. to affix a signature to: to sign a letter. 15. to write as a signature: to sign one's name. 16. to engage or hire by written agreement (often fol. by on or up): to sign a basketball player. 17. to mark with a sign, esp. the sign of the cross. 18. to communicate by means of a sign; signal. 19. to convey (a message) in a sign language. v.i. 20. to write one's signature, as a token of agreement, receipt, etc. 21. to make a sign or signal. 22. to employ a sign language for communication. 23. to obligate oneself by signature. 24. sign away or over, to assign or dispose of by affixing one's signature to a document. 25. sign in (or out), to record one's arrival (or departure) by signing a register. 26. sign off, a. to cease radio or television broadcasting, esp. at the end of the day. b. to indicate one's approval explicitly if not formally. 27. sign up, to enlist, as in an organization or group. [11751225; (n.) Middle English signe < Old French < Latin signum mark, sign, image; (v.) Middle English signen < Old French signer < Latin signre, derivative of signum] syn: sign, omen, portent refer to something that gives evidence of a future event. sign is a general word for a visible trace or indication of an event, either past, present, or future: Dark clouds are a sign of rain. An omen is a happening or phenomenon that serves as a warning of things to come; it may foreshadow good or evil: She believed it was a bad omen if a black cat crossed her path. portent also refers to an indication of future events, usu. ones that are momentous or of ominous significance: the portents of war. Random House Kernerman Webster's College Dictionary, 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. 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You call it your signature.Nino scrawled his signature on the bottom of the slip.... petitions bearing thousands of signatures.Collins COBUILD English Usage HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 2004, 2011, 2012Past participle: signedGerund: signingImperativePresentPreteritePresent ContinuousPresent PerfectPast ContinuousPast PerfectFutureFuture PerfectFuture ContinuousPresent Perfect ContinuousFuture Perfect ContinuousPast Perfect ContinuousConditionalPast ConditionalCollins English Verb Tables HarperCollins Publishers 2011 Noun1.sign - a perceptible indication of something not immediately apparent (as a visible clue that something has happened); "he showed signs of strain"; "they welcomed the signs of spring"clew, clue, cue - evidence that helps to solve a problemtoken - something serving as a sign of something else2.sign - a public display of a message; "he posted signs in all the shop windows"communication - something that is communicated by or to or between people or groupsstreet sign - a sign visible from the street3.sign - any nonverbal action or gesture that encodes a message; "signals from the boat suddenly stopped"communication - something that is communicated by or to or between people or groupsrecording - a signal that encodes something (e.g., picture or sound) that has been recordedstarting signal, start - a signal to begin (as in a race); "the starting signal was a green light"; "the runners awaited the start"storm signal - a signal announcing the approach of a storm (particularly a storm of marked violence)beam, radio beam - a signal transmitted along a narrow path; guides airplane pilots in darkness or bad weatherticktack - system of signalling by hand signs used by bookmakers at racetrackstime signal - a signal (especially electronic or by radio) indicating the precisely correct timedog-ear - a corner of a page turned down to mark your placeanimal communication - communication between animals (of the same species)all clear - a signal (usually a siren) that danger is overbugle call - a signal broadcast by the sound of a buglecurfew - a signal (usually a bell) announcing the start of curfew restrictionsretreat - (military) a signal to begin a withdrawal from a dangerous positiondrumbeat - (military) the beating of a drum as a signal for lowering the flag at sundownwhistle, whistling - the act of signalling (e.g., summoning) by whistling or blowing a whistle; "the whistle signalled the end of the game"high sign - a silent signal of warning or recognition; "she started to speak but he gave her the high sign"symbol - an arbitrary sign (written or printed) that has acquired a conventional significancevisual signal - a signal that involves visual communicationindicator - a signal for attracting attentionelectronic signal - a signal generated by electronic meansradio beacon - a characteristic signal emitted by a transmitter used for navigationinput, input signal - signal going into an electronic systemoutput signal, output - signal that comes out of an electronic system4.sign - structure displaying a board on which advertisements can be posted; "the highway was lined with signboards"billboard, hoarding - large outdoor signboardsandwich board - signboard consisting of two hinged boards that hang front and back from the shoulders of a walker and are used to display advertisementsscoreboard - a large board for displaying the score of a contest (and some other information)shingle - a small signboard outside the office of a lawyer or doctor, e.g.structure, construction - a thing constructed; a complex entity constructed of many parts; "the structure consisted of a series of arches"; "she wore her hair in an amazing construction of whirls and ribbons"5.sign - (astrology) one of 12 equal areas into which the zodiac is dividedmansion, planetary house, sign of the zodiac, star sign, houseregion, part - the extended spatial location of something; "the farming regions of France"; "religions in all parts of the world"; "regions of outer space"zodiac - a belt-shaped region in the heavens on either side to the ecliptic; divided into 12 constellations or signs for astrological purposes6.sign - (medicine) any objective evidence of the presence of a disorder or disease; "there were no signs of asphyxiation"evidence, grounds - your basis for belief or disbelief; knowledge on which to base belief; "the evidence that smoking causes lung cancer is very compelling"vital sign - sign of life; usually an indicator of a person's general physical condition; "he was still alive but his vital signs were weak"7.sign - having an indicated pole (as the distinction between positive and negative electric charges); "he got the polarity of the battery reversed"; "charges of opposite sign"oppositeness, opposition - the relation between opposed entitiespositiveness, positivity - the character of the positive electric polenegativeness, negativity - the character of the negative electric pole8.sign - an event that is experienced as indicating important things to come; "he hoped it was an augury"; "it was a sign from God"augury, foretoken, preindicationexperience - an event as apprehended; "a surprising experience"; "that painful experience certainly got our attention"war cloud - an ominous sign that war threatens9.sign - a gesture that is part of a sign languagesign language, signing - language expressed by visible hand gesturesmotion, gesture - the use of movements (especially of the hands) to communicate familiar or prearranged signals10.sign - a fundamental linguistic unit linking a signifier to that which is signified; "The bond between the signifier and the signified is arbitrary"--de Saussurelinguistics - the scientific study of language11.sign - a character indicating a relation between quantities; "don't forget the minus sign"mathematical notation - a notation used by mathematiciansequal sign - a sign indicating that the quantities on either side are equalplus sign - a sign indicating the operation of additionminus sign - a sign indicating the operation of subtractionradical sign - a sign indicating the extraction of a rootVerb1.sign - mark with one's signature; write one's name (on); "She signed the letter and sent it off"; "Please sign here"write - communicate or express by writing; "Please write to me every week"rubricate - sign with a mark instead of a namecheck in, sign in - announce one's arrival, e.g. at hotels or airports2.sign - approve and express assent, responsibility, or obligation; "All parties ratified the peace treaty"; "Have you signed your contract yet?"validate, formalise, formalize - declare or make legally valid3.sign - be engaged by a written agreement; "He signed to play the casino on Dec. 18"; "The soprano signed to sing the new opera"contract, undertake - enter into a contractual arrangementundersign - sign at the bottom of (a document)ink - append one's signature to; "They inked the contract"initial - mark with one's initialscountersign - add one's signature to after another's to attest authenticity; "You must countersign on this line of the contract"execute - sign in the presence of witnesses; "The President executed the treaty"endorse, indorse - sign as evidence of legal transfer; "endorse cheques"4.sign - engage by written agreement; "They signed two new pitchers for the next season"sign on, sign up, contracthire, employ, engage - engage or hire for work; "They hired two new secretaries in the department"; "How many people has she employed?"contract out - assign a job to someone outside one's own business5.sign - communicate silently and non-verbally by signals or signs; "He signed his disapproval with a dismissive hand gesture"; "The diner signaled the waiters to bring the menu"signal, signalise, signalizewigwag - signal by or as if by a flag or light waved according to a codesemaphore - send signals by or as if by semaphoreheliograph - signal by means of a mirror and the using the sun's raysflag - communicate or signal with a flagwhistle - give a signal by whistling; "She whistled for her maid"6.sign - place signs, as along a road; "sign an intersection"; "This road has been signed"lay, place, put, set, position, pose - put into a certain place or abstract location; "Put your things here"; "Set the tray down"; "Set the dogs on the scent of the missing children"; "Place emphasis on a certain point"7.sign - communicate in sign language; "I don't know how to sign, so I could not communicate with my deaf cousin"8.sign - make the sign of the cross over someone in order to call on God for protection; consecrateAdj.1.sign - used of the language of the deafgestural, sign-language, signedcommunicatory, communicative - able or tending to communicate; "was a communicative person and quickly told all she knew"- W.M.ThackerayBased on WordNet 3.0, Farlex clipart collection. 2003-2012 Princeton University, Farlex Inc.noun1. symbol, mark, character, figure, device, representation, logo, badge, emblem, ensign, cipher Equations are generally written with a two-bar equals sign.5. indication, evidence, trace, mark, note, signal, suggestion, symptom, hint, proof, gesture, clue, token, manifestation, giveaway, vestige, spoor His face and movements rarely betrayed any sign of nerves.verbsign on get unemployment benefit, draw benefit, get income support, get jobseekers' allowance I had to accept that I was unemployed and that I would have to sign on.Collins Thesaurus of the English Language Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 HarperCollins Publishers 1995, 2002noun1. Something visible or evident that gives grounds for believing in the existence or presence of something else:badge, evidence, index, indication, indicator, manifestation, mark, note, signification, stamp, symptom, token, witness.5. A conventional mark used in a writing system:verbphrasal verbsign onphrasal verbsign overphrasal verbsign upThe American Heritage Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. podepsatznamenznamnkoznmkaznaktegnunderskrivegre tegnskiltsymbolZeichenunterschreibenSchildAnzeichenbedeutensealsignofirmargestoseaallekirjoittaamerkkirekrytoidaviittoaviittomakielisignesignerpanneaupreueaffichepotpisatisignaliziratiznakgefa merki ummerkitknundirritafirmaresegnosimboloinsegnamunire di segnaleticasiraytiikabastotikelio krypties rodyklkelio enklo stulpasdot zmiizkrtnemtnordjumsparakstttekentekenenverkeersbordgebaargebarentaaltegnunderskrivesignalsignereassinarsinalautografarplacasigno()iaretimzalamakipucuiaret etmekiaret sembol [san]sign for VI + PREP [+ item] firmar el recibo deB. VT + ADV (at club) [+ visitor] firmar por2. (Brit) (as unemployed) darse de baja en el paro, quitarse del paroCollins Spanish Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged 8th Edition 2005 William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1971, 1988 HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005 [san] vt sep [+ employee] recruter, embaucherCollins English/French Electronic Resource. HarperCollins Publishers 2005 n (= road sign, inn sign, shop sign) Schild nt : sign language n Zeichensprache f; (for deaf also) Gebrdensprache f sign painter n Plakat- or Schildermaler(in) m(f) signwriter n Schriften- or Schildermaler(in) m(f)Collins German Dictionary Complete and Unabridged 7th Edition 2005. William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1980 HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007Collins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition HarperCollins Publishers 1995 (sain) noun1. a mark used to mean something; a symbol. is the sign for addition. teken sinal znak, znamnko das Zeichen tegn; symbol , seal mrk merkki signe znak, simbol jel lambang tkn segno enklas zme tanda tekentegnznak : : ( ) () (): sinal simbol znak, znamienko znamenje znak tecken, symbol iaret sembol , du hiu, k hiu 2. a notice set up to give information (a shopkeeper's name, the direction of a town etc) to the public. road-sign. teken letreiro nvst, reklama das Schild skilt; -skilt , , , seal, panel, letrero silt kyltti panneau znak, natpis cgtbla; jelztbla tanda merki cartello, segnale; insegna enklas, ikaba, rodykl zme; izkrtne; rdtjs papan tanda bordskiltznak, tablica letreiro panou; indicator ; tabua, znaka znak znak skylt, [vg]mrke iaret, tabel , biu hin 3. a movement (eg a nod, wave of the hand) used to mean or represent something. He made a sign to me to keep still. beweging, teken sinal znamen das Zeichen tegn , gesto, sea mrguanne ele signe , gesta, mahanje rukom jel(zs) isyarat merki segno, segnale enklas zme; nordjums; ests isyarat wenktegn, signalznak sinal semn , znamenie znamenje znak tecken iaret s ra hiu 4. a piece of evidence suggesting that something is present or about to come. There were no signs of life at the house and he was afraid they were away; Clouds are often a sign of rain. teken sinal znmka das Anzeichen tegn , signo (tunnus)mrk merkki signe predznak jel tanda merki (um) segno enklas, poymis pazme tanda tekentegnznak sinal semn (n)znak znamenje znak spr, tecken ipucu, belirten iaret , du hiu; biu hin verb1. to write one's name (on). Sign at the bottom, please. teken assinar podepsat se unterschreiben underskrive firmar alla kirjutama allekirjoittaa signer potpisati szignl membuat tanda tangan undirrita firmare pasirayti parakstties menandatangani ondertekenenunderskrive podpisywa (si) assinar a iscli podpsa sa podpisati (se) potpisati signera, underteckna imzalamak k 2. to write (one's name) on a letter, document etc. He signed his name on the document. teken ( ) assinar podepsat unterschreiben skrive sit navn firmar (oma) nime kirjutama allekirjoittaa signer potpisati alr menandatangani undirrita firmare parayti parakstt menandatangani ondertekenenunderskrivenapisa assinar a semna podpsa podpisati (se) potpisati signera, underteckna, skriva yazmak () k tn 3. to make a movement of the head, hand etc in order to show one's meaning. She signed to me to say nothing. beduie, teken fazer sinal dt znamen bedeuten mit gre tegn , hacer seas mrku andma elehti faire signe mahnuti, dati znak jelez memberi isyarat gefa merki um fare segno duoti enkl dot zmi; []mt memberi isyarat wenkengjre tegn, tilkjennegi dawa znak fazer sinal a face semn da znamenie pomigniti pokazati znak teckna iaret etmek ra hiu, lm hiu signboard noun a board with a notice. In the garden was a signboard which read `House for Sale'. teken, kennisgewingbord letreiro cedule das Schild skilt letrero, cartelera silt kyltti criteau natpis (nad duanom), firma (jelz)tbla papan tanda tilkynningartafla cartello ikaba izkrtne papan tanda bordskilttablica informacyjna letreiro plcu; semn ; tabua napis oglasna tabla skylt, anslagstavla tabel, iln bin hiu signpost noun a post with a sign on it, showing the direction and distance of places. We saw a signpost which told us we were 80 kilometres from London. padteken, roetewyser placa ukazatel der Wegweiser vejskilt poste indicador teeviit tienviitta poteau indicateur putokaz tjelz tbla tonggak tanda vegvsir cartello kelio krypties rodykl, kelrodis, kelio enklo stulpas cea rdtjs tiang tanda wegwijzer veiskilt/-viser drogowskaz (tabuleta panou care indic numrul de kilometri pn la o localitate ukazovate kaipot znak vgvisare, vgskylt iaret levhas ct tn hiu sign in/out to record one's arrival or departure by writing one's name. He signed in at the hotel when he arrived. inteken, aanmeld / preencher a ficha zapsat pchod/odchod sich einschreiben/abmelden indskrive sig) firmar el registro, registrarse end sisse kirjutama, end vlja kirjutama kirjauttaa sisn/ulos signer le registre / / - upisati se, prijaviti se (hotel) blyegez (munkba rkezskor, tvozskor) mendaftar skr sig inn/t registrarsi; registrarsi , usiregistruoti, isiregistruoti []reistrties; izrakstties rakam tekenen bij aankomst / bij vertrek skrive seg inn/ut; stemple inn/ut zameldowa/wymeldowa si preencher a ficha a semna (ntr-un registru/ o condic) / zapsa prchod / odchod vpisati/izpisati se upisati se stmpla in/ut, skriva in sig/checka ut / girerken/ayrlrken imzalamak () / ng k sign up1. to join an organization or make an agreement to do something etc by writing one's name. aansluit inscrever-se zapsat se sich verpflichten melde sig ind; skrive under p , inscribirse, matricularse nime kirja panema ilmoittautua s'inscrire ulaniti se belp (vmibe); csatlakozik (vmihez); feliratkozik (tanfolyamra stb.) ikut tanda tangan skr sig iscriversi stoti, sirayti pieteikties (parakstoties) mendaftar zich inschrijven melde seg p zapisywa si assinar um compromisso a nscrie ; zapsa sa vpisati se potpisati se skriva in (anmla) sig kayt olmak ; ng tn nhp ng 2. to engage for work by making a legal contract. verbind ser contratado podepsat pracovn smlouvu sich verpflichten skrive kontrakt med , contratar tlepingule alla kirjutama pestautua se faire embaucher (comme, en qualit de) unajmiti (le)szerzdik menandatangani kontrak ra (sig) samning assumere pasisamdyti pieemt darb menandatangani kontrak inschrijvenengasjere; verveangaowa si ser contratado a angaja podpsa pracovn zmluvu podpisati angaovati anstlla, skriva kontrakt med szleme/kontrat imzalamak ng k giao ko lm g Kernerman English Multilingual Dictionary 2006-2013 K Dictionaries Ltd. , , podepsat, znamen, znmka tegn, underskrive unterschreiben, Zeichen , , firmar, seal allekirjoittaa, merkki faire un signe, signe, signer potpisati, signalizirati, znak firmare, segno , , , teken, tekenen signere, tegn podpisa, znak assinar, sinal , () tecken, underteckna , , imzalamak, iaret du hiu, k tn , , Multilingual Translator HarperCollins Publishers 2009n. seal, signo, indicacin, manifestacin objetiva de una enfermedad;vital ___ -s signos vitales. English-Spanish Medical Dictionary Farlex 2012Collins Multilingual Translator HarperCollins Publishers 2009 n (of an illness) signo; language lenguaje m or lengua de seas or signos; vital signs constantes fpl or signos vitales; warning seal f de advertencia or alerta; vt, vi (one's name) firmar; (deaf language) comunicarse mediante el lenguaje de seas (lengua de seas, etc.)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: Then again, if it stays here, that is ugly, too, for when aught's nailed to the mast it's a sign that things grow desperate.When he found himself about to die, which happened in 1643, just after the death of Louis XIII., he called to him his son, a young cook of great promise, and with tears in his eyes, he recommended him to preserve carefully the secret of the macaroni, to Frenchify his name, and at length, when the political horizon should be cleared from the clouds which obscured it -- this was practiced then as in our day, to order of the nearest smith a handsome sign, upon which a famous painter, whom he named, should design two queens' portraits, with these words as a legend: "To The Medici.""What this document which Lady Glyde is about to sign may be," he continued, "I neither know nor desire to know.With halting steps I paced the streets, and passed the sign of The Crossed Harpoons --but it looked too expensive and jolly there.This sign I give unto you: every people speaketh its language of good and evil: this its neighbour understandeth not.I TOLE you I got a hairy breas', en what's de sign un it; en I TOLE you I ben rich wunst, en gwineter to be rich AGIN; en it's come true; en heah she is!To lift an autumn hair is no sign of great strength; to see the sun and moon is no sign of sharp sight; to hear the noise of thunder is no sign of a quick ear.Each chief in turn drew near and examined the sign by the dim light of the lamp, and without saying a word passed on to the other side."Will you sign the articles to that?" the Jew deman