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Pronunciation[edit] IPA(key): /pɪˈnʌltɪmət/ Adjective[edit] penultimate (not comparable) (Britain, in US usually formal, literary or scholarly) Next to last, second to last; immediately preceding the end of a sequence, list, etc. 1677, Robert Plot, "Of the Heavens and Air", in The natural history of Oxford-shire: Being an Essay Toward the Natural History of England[1], page 15: […] they [the sounds of an echo] next strike the ultimate secondary object, then the penultimate and antepenultimate; […] 1878, Samuel Butler, Life and Habit, ch. 10: But it should frequently happen that offspring should resemble its penultimate rather than its latest phase, and should thus be more like a grand-parent than a parent. 1913, Jack London, The Valley of the Moon, ch. 3: "Your clothes don't weigh more'n seven pounds. And seven from—hum—say one hundred an' twenty-three—one hundred an' sixteen is your stripped weight." But at the penultimate word, Mary cried out with sharp reproof: "Why, Billy Roberts, people don't talk about such things." (linguistics) Of or pertaining to a penult. (mathematics, rare) Relating to or denoting an element of a related collection of curves that is arbitrarily close to a degenerate form. Usage notes[edit] While the Latinate penultimate is predominant in written works, the traditional English expressions for this idea were last but one and (less often) second last. Following the 1920s, American use has favored next to last to the point that last but one functions as a Britishism. Although last but one continues to be somewhat more popular in Britain, next to last, second to last, etc. have been gaining in popularity. Synonyms[edit] (immediately preceding the end of a list, sequence, etc.): next to last, next-to-last, second to last, second-to-last, second from last, second-from-last, second last, second-last, (now chiefly Britain) last but one, last ~ but one Antonyms[edit] Coordinate terms[edit] Derived terms[edit] [edit] See also[edit] Translations[edit] Noun[edit] penultimate (plural penultimates) (uncommon) A penult, a next to last, particularly: 1962, Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of 22nd Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, XXII.iv: Our Lutheran concern for the ultimates (the Gospel) has allowed us to neglect some of the penultimates (bodily healing), failing to stress the total implications of that ultimate Gospel. (obsolete, rare) The penultimate day of a month. 1529 August 30, Bishop Stephen Gardiner, letter (1933), 33: At Woodstock, the penultimate of August. (linguistics, literature, uncommon) The penultimate syllable of a word or metrical line. 1728, E. Chambers Cyclopædia: Antepenultimate is that before the Penultimate, or the last but two. (mathematics, obsolete, rare) The penultimate element of a collection of curves. (card games, uncommon) The penultimate (next to lowest) card in a suit. 1876, Arthur Campbell-Walker, The Correct Card, Glossary page xiii: Penultimate, the. — Beginning with the lowest card but one of the suit you lead originally, if it contains more than four cards. Synonym: penult Translations[edit] References[edit] Oxford English Dictionary, 3rd ed. "penultimate, n. & adj." Oxford University Press (Oxford), 2005. /pɪˈnʌltɪmət/ AdjectiveFrequency: not comparable While the Latinate penultimate is predominant in written works, the traditional English expressions for this idea were last but one and (less often) second last. Following the 1920s, American use has favored next to last to the point that last but one functions as a Britishism. While last but one continues to be somewhat more popular in Britain, however, next to last, second to last, etc. have been gaining in popularity. UK, in, US, usually, formal, literary, or, scholarly Next to last, second to last; immediately preceding the end of a sequence, list, etc. linguistics Of or pertaining to a penult. math, rare Relating to or denoting an element of a related collection of curves that is arbitrarily close to a degenerate form. pen·ul·ti·mate | \ pi-ˈnəl-tə-mət \ 1 : next to the last the penultimate chapter of a book 2 : of or relating to the next to the last syllable of a word a penultimate accent It's not uncommon to see people misuse the word "penultimate" to describe something as better than the best, even more ultimate than ultimate, but it actually means "the next to last." 'Penultimate' comes from a Latin word that means 'almost ultimate.' "Penultimate" comes from a Latin word that means "almost ultimate," so the next to last book in a series, the next to last day of a vacation, and the next to last game in a player's career are all penultimate items or events. "Penultimate" is not the best of the bunch or the last of something; it is the second-best of the bunch or second-to-the-last of something. Squiggly won the penultimate prize in the raffle. (That would be the second to last prize in the raffle.) Aardvark's team is preparing for the penultimate game of the season. (That would be the team's second to last game of the season.) From the television version of "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy": Believe me, ladies and gentlemen, there is nothing penultimate about this one. This, ladies and gentlemen, is the proverbial it. After this, there is void... emptiness... oblivion... absolute nothing. Origin of 'Penultimate' "Penultimate" was actually a noun before it became an adjective. According to the Online Etymology Dictionary, "penultimate" referred to the "next to the last syllable of a word or verse." For example, I found an old dictionary from the 1800s that instructed people to "accent the penultimate" when explaining how to pronounce Greek and Latin proper names. The Latin prefix "paene-" (shortened here to "pen-") means "almost" or "nearly." It's not very common anymore. Most words that use it now are obscure or rare (for example, "peneseismic" means regions where earthquakes occur only rarely or only of small magnitude, so it means something like "nearly seismic"), but one word still in common use is "peninsula," which means "almost island." A peninsula is a piece of land that is almost surrounded by water. Another word from the same root that you might have heard, especially if you have watched an eclipse, is "penumbra." "Umbra" means "shade or shadow," so a penumbra is almost a shadow or a partly shaded area. During a total solar eclipse, the total eclipse is only visible from certain parts of earth that are properly aligned to see it. Those people are covered by the "umbra"—the shadow. But people outside that region still see a partial eclipse, and they are said to be covered by the "penumbra"—the partial shadow. So the next time you want to describe something that is the best, simply call it the best or the ultimate—the ultimate prize in the raffle—not the penultimate prize. Mignon Fogarty is Grammar Girl and the founder of Quick and Dirty Tips. Check out her New York Times best-seller, "Grammar Girl's Quick and Dirty Tips for Better Writing." Image courtesy of Shutterstock. Our Apps are nice too! Dictionary. Translation. Vocabulary.Games. Quotes. Forums. Lists. And more... Also found in: Thesaurus, Medical, Wikipedia. (pī-nŭlʹtə-mĭt)adj.2. Linguistics Of or relating to the penult of a word: penultimate stress.[From Latin paenultimus; see penult.]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. (pɪˈnʌltɪmɪt) nanything that is next to the last, esp a penult[C17: from Latin paene almost + ultimate, on the model of Latin paenultimus]Collins English Dictionary – Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (pɪˈnʌl tə mɪt) adj. 2. of or pertaining to a penult. n. [1670–80; see penult, ultimate] Random House Kernerman Webster's College Dictionary, © 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved. Noun1.penultimate - the next to last syllable in a wordsyllable - a unit of spoken language larger than a phoneme; "the word `pocket' has two syllables"Adj.1.penultimate - next to the last; "the author inadvertently reveals the murderer in the penultimate chapter"; "the figures in the next-to-last column"intermediate - lying between two extremes in time or space or state; "going from sitting to standing without intermediate pushes with the hands"; "intermediate stages in a process"; "intermediate stops on the route"; "an intermediate range plane"Based on WordNet 3.0, Farlex clipart collection. © 2003-2012 Princeton University, Farlex Inc. [pɪˈnʌltɪmɪt] ADJ → penúltimoCollins Spanish Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged 8th Edition 2005 © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1971, 1988 © HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005 [pɪˈnʌltɪmət] adj → pénultième, avant-dernier/ièreCollins English/French Electronic Resource. © HarperCollins Publishers 2005Collins German Dictionary – Complete and Unabridged 7th Edition 2005. © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1980 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007 [pɪˈnʌltɪmɪt] adj → penultimo/aCollins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition © HarperCollins Publishers 1995 → قبل الأخير předposlední næstsidst vorletzter προτελευταίος penúltimo toiseksi viimeinen avant-dernier pretposljednji penultimo 終わりから2番目の □□□□ □ □□(□□)□ voorlaatst nest sist przedostatni penúltimo предпоследний näst sista □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ sondan bir önceki áp chót 倒数第二的Multilingual Tr HarperCollins Publishers 2009 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: In the penultimate verse he makes known his discovery concerning the root of modern Nihilism and indifference,--i.e., that modern man has no goal, no aim, no idealsThere is the classic instance of the ferocious and wanton judicial murder of the innocent and so-called Haymarket Anarchists in Chicago in the penultimate decade of the nineteenth century A.D."If your conscience," says the man with the nose, "is indisposed toward foreign idioms ye might, to please yourself, smuggle the letter into the penultimate syllable."But at the penultimate word, Mary cried out with sharp reproof:The penultimate joint, instead of terminating in a simple claw, ends in three bristle-like appendages of dissimilar lengths -- the longest equalling that of the entire leg.The conversation, becoming lively as the penultimate entree was reached, had turned naturally on the affair of the theatre and the constitutionally sworn rector.Commissaires ruled that times would be taken at the top of the Col de l'Iseran which gave Bernal the yellow jersey as he had attacked on the penultimate climb of the 126.5km stage from Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne.Summary: Faridabad (Haryana) [India], May 13 (ANI): A polling agent was arrested and an FIR was registered against him for allegedly trying to influence voters at a polling booth in Faridabad during the penultimate phase of general elections on Sunday, the Election Commission (EC) has said. The former Republican New York gubernatorial candidate pens a letter insulting a journalist "Maybe it's your youth, immaturity, inexperience, or what appears to be an endless desire to ingratiate yourself with people in power...", then misuses the word "penultimate." The Washington Post: National, World & D.C. Area News and Headlines - The Washington Post No words but monosyllables or contracted forms have the accent on the last; dissyllables are therefore always accented on the first, and polysyllables on the first or second, according as the penultimate is short or long, _Lúcius, cecídi_. The History of Roman Literature From the earliest period to the death of Marcus Aurelius graeme on 8-19-2008 at 1:14 pm yay for the proper usage of the word penultimate! Nunc Scio » Blog Archive » My road to 100 push ups: week the third I started reading and was immediately sideswiped and distracted by the lead-in writer's use of the word penultimate - Gilder's penultimate point? The Techno-Geek Speaks Greek - The Panda's Thumb These philosophies are what might be called the penultimate forms of irrationalism. Dictionary of the History of Ideas Southwards down the African coast it is doubtful whether in face of the interference of England, Russia, France, Denmark and Spain, he could have made piracy pay; but in turning for the Mediterranean he took what we may call the penultimate step of his life which meant for him settling down. Tales of Wonder In the last section of this MS. _but one_ (that is, the penultimate), I think that I have omitted a line in the copy sent to you from Florence, viz. after the line -- Life of Lord Byron, Vol. 4 (of 6) With His Letters and Journals The eighth wicket was taken by Malinga and the penultimate was a run-out! The Times of India Here we are at the second to last A Movie A Day, what Herc would call penultimate, and the final film in nearly a work-week worth of Neil Simon movies: CALIFORNIA SUITE. Ain't It Cool News - The best in movie, TV, DVD, and comic book news. Of course, this pope is described as the penultimate pope, to be followed by "Peter of Rome" who will destroy the city. this is the samaBlog

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