

St Mark's Word of the Week



gemütlich

From what language does this word come?

How would you pronounce it?

How do the dots change the pronunciation?



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German

How would you pronounce it?

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It is an umlaut; it changes the pronunciation
from ge-mut-lick to ge-moot-lick



gemütlich (adjective)

Definition

- a feeling of warmth, friendliness and good cheer

Examples:

1. James was known for his gemütlich demeanour.
2. The dinner party had an easygoing, gemütlich atmosphere.
3. Christmas Day was the most gemütlich day of the year.

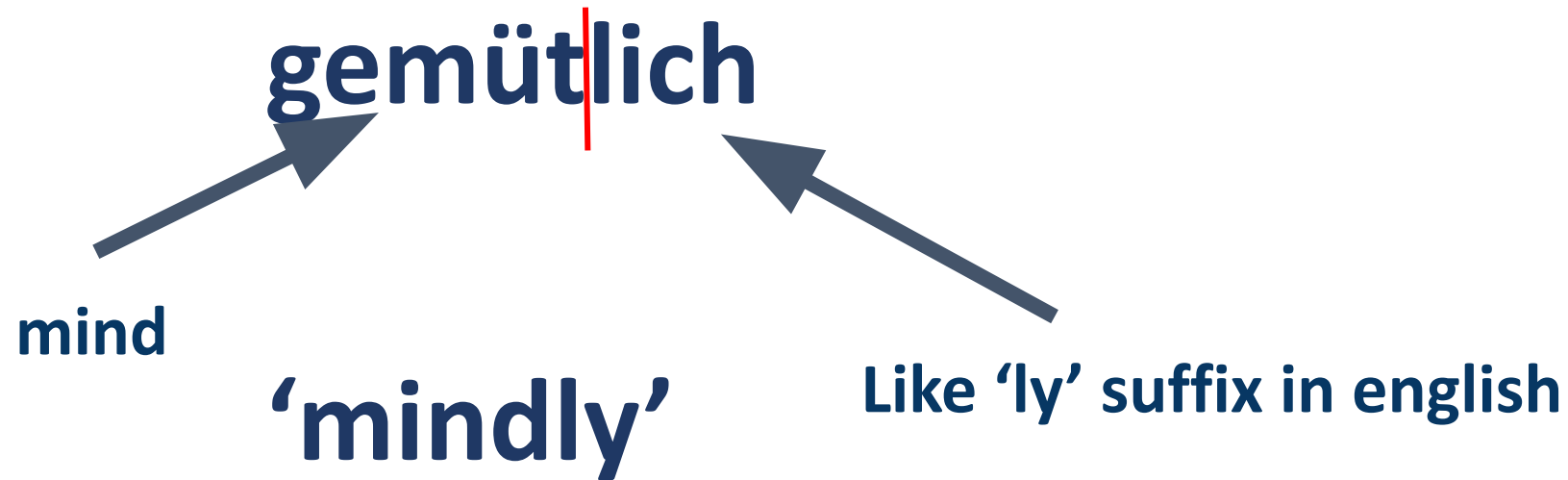


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Where does the word come from? What is its etymology?



Perhaps similar to being 'mindful'; in this case being mindful of the good things surrounding you



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Can you think of any words in english synonymous with gemütlich?

- Cozy
- Cheery
- Comfortable
- Hospitable
- Congenial

However, none of these are able to fully replicate the meaning of gemütlich on their own so it now also exists in the english language as a 'loanword'.



At St. Mark's, there are 56 different languages spoken by the staff and students.

German is just one of the languages.

If you want to suggest a word from a language you speak, contact Mr Crone on gmail.