

Positive nouns that start with Z

23 nouns with meanings and examples. Updated 10 October 2026. Free to print and share in a classroom.

Zaddik n.

A righteous, saintly person in Jewish tradition.

The community sought the zaddik's counsel before choosing mediators.

Zaddy n.

A stylish, confident man admired as attractive and charming.

His tailored velvet suit earned him playful zaddy status.

Zakat n.

Charitable giving required as an Islamic religious duty.

Their zakat funded winter meals for families facing hardship.

Zaniness n.

The quality of being amusingly unconventional and playful.

A little zaniness kept the rehearsal lighthearted and focused.

Zazen n.

Seated Zen meditation practiced with attentive, disciplined awareness.

Morning zazen helped the retreat settle into attentive silence.

Zeal n.

Strong and energetic enthusiasm for a purpose.

Their zeal for restoring the theater attracted new volunteers.

Zealousness n.

Energetic devotion to a cause, task, or purpose.

Her zealousness for patient safety raised the standard for everyone.

Zedakah n.

Righteous charitable giving practiced as a Jewish duty.

The youth group collected zedakah for the community pantry.

Zenith n.

The highest point of success, power, or development.

The orchestra reached its zenith under her thoughtful direction.

Zephyr n.

A soft, gentle breeze, especially one from the west.

A cool zephyr moved through the open windows.

Zest n.

Eager enjoyment, lively interest, or added flavor.

She approached the new course with real zest.

Zestfulness n.

The quality of showing lively enjoyment and energy.

Her zestfulness made the demanding project feel possible.

Zestiness n.

The quality of being lively, flavorful, or pleasantly sharp.

Lemon added freshness and zestiness to the sauce.

Zikr n.

Devotional remembrance of God through prayer or recitation.

Evening zikr brought the gathered worshippers into quiet reflection.

Zillionaire n.

An informal name for a person of enormous wealth.

The fictional zillionaire quietly endowed three new neighborhood libraries.

Zing n.

An appealing burst of energy, flavor, or excitement.

Fresh lime gave the soup a welcome zing.

Zinger n.

A particularly impressive, clever, or striking thing.

The final line was a zinger that made the whole audience smile.

Zion n.

An ideal society or place of peace and happiness.

The settlers imagined a welcoming Zion founded on mutual care.

Zip n.

Lively energy, speed, or vigor.

The percussion added welcome zip to the final song.

Zippiness n.

The quality of being lively, energetic, and pleasantly quick.

Crisp dialogue gives the comedy its zippiness.

Zoomies n.

A sudden burst of joyful, energetic running or movement.

After her bath, the puppy got the zoomies around the garden.

Zoophilist n.

A person devoted to animals and protecting their welfare.

The zoophilist campaigned for gentler standards in wildlife research.

Zootherapy n.

Therapy that uses animals to support healing and well-being.

Guided zootherapy helped the anxious child feel safe communicating.