

Positive verbs that start with Q

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Quaff v.

To drink deeply and with hearty enjoyment.

Festival guests quaffed cool cider beneath the flowering apple trees.

Qualify v.

To meet the required standard for a role, award, or opportunity.

Four young swimmers qualify for the regional final.

Quench v.

To satisfy thirst or relieve a pressing need.

Cold spring water quenched the hikers' thirst at midday.

Quicken v.

To make something faster, livelier, or more active.

The first warm days quicken growth in the garden.

Quieten v.

To make or become calmer or less noisy.

A soft melody helped quieten the restless audience.