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de·pos·it *verb* \di-'pā-zət\

- : to put (money) in a bank account
- : to put or leave (someone or something) in a particular place
- : to leave an amount of (something, such as sand, snow, or mud) on a surface or area especially over a period of time

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Full Definition of DEPOSIT

transitive verb

1 : to place especially for safekeeping or as a pledge; *especially* : to put in a bank

2 a : to lay down : PLACE

b : to let fall (as sediment)

intransitive verb

: to become deposited

— **de·pos·i·tor** *noun*

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Examples of DEPOSIT

- Your paycheck will be automatically *deposited* into your account.
- I *deposited* over \$3,000 this afternoon.
- Please *deposit* your things in your room and return to the hotel lobby.
- The taxi *deposited* us at the train station.
- layers of mud *deposited* by flood waters

Origin of DEPOSIT

Latin *depositus*, past participle of *deponere*

First Known Use: 1624

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²deposit *noun*

: an amount of money that is put in a bank account

: money that you give someone when you agree to buy something (such as a house or car)

: money that you pay when you buy or rent something and that you can get back if you return the thing or leave it in good condition

Full Definition of DEPOSIT

- 1** : the state of being [deposited](#)
 - 2** : something placed for safekeeping: as
 - a** : money deposited in a bank
 - b** : money given as a pledge or down payment
 - 3** : a place of deposit : [DEPOSITORY](#)
 - 4** : an act of [depositing](#)
 - 5**
 - a** : something laid down, especially, matter deposited by a natural process
 - b** : a natural accumulation (as of iron ore, coal, or gas)
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Examples of DEPOSIT

- Our records show that she *made* a large *deposit* to her account earlier in the month.
- If you return that empty soda can, you'll get back the five-cent *deposit* you paid when you bought the soda.
- The rental car company requires a *deposit* for drivers under the age of 25.
- a *deposit* of mud left by the flood
- He had surgery to remove calcium *deposits* from his knee.
- the buildup of fat *deposits* in the arteries
- Their company has discovered new oil *deposits* below the ocean floor.

First Known Use of DEPOSIT

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