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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

**de·pos·it·ed** | **de·pos·it·ing**

### 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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## <sup>2</sup>deposit *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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