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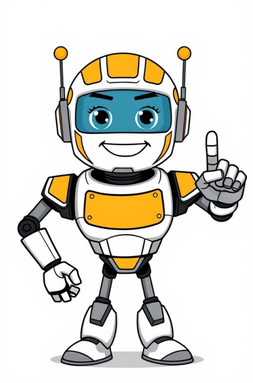

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He always chips in. c —used to express an attitude of affection or amusement adjective (25)noun (3)older, oldest, elder, eldest. far advanced in the years of one's or its life.an old man;an old horse;an old tree.of or relating to the latter part of the life or term of existence of a person or thing.as if or appearing to be far advanced in years.having lived or existed for a specified time: a century-old organization.a man 30 years old;a century-old organization.having lived or existed as specified with relation to younger or newer persons or things.having been aged for a specified time.This whiskey is eight years old.having been aged for a comparatively long time.long known or in use.overfamiliar to the point of tedium.belonging to the past.having been in existence since the distant past.no longer in general use.Our dishwasher is an old model, so replacement parts are hard to find.acquired, made, or in use by one prior to the acquisition, making, or use of something more recent.When the new house was built, we sold the old one.of, relating to, or originating at an earlier period or date.former; having been so formerly.I ran into my old piano teacher the other day.prehistoric; ancient.There may have been an old land bridge between Asia and Alaska.Old, (of a language) in its oldest known period, as attested by the earliest written records.experienced.He's an old hand at welding.of long standing; having been such for a comparatively long time.an old and trusted employee.(of colors) dull, faded, or subdued.deteriorated through age or long use; worn, decayed, or dilapidated.Physical Geography., (of landforms) far advanced in reduction by erosion or the like.sedate, sensible, mature, or wise.That child seems old beyond his years.(used to indicate affection, familiarity, disparagement, or a personalization): that dirty old jalopy.good old Bob;that dirty old jalopy.Informal., (used as an intensive) great; uncommon.(used with a plural verb), Usually the old old persons collectively.appropriations to care for the old.a person or animal of a specified age or age group (used in combination): a horse race for three-year-olds.a class for six-year-olds;a horse race for three-year-olds.old or former time, often time long past.having lived or existed for a relatively long timean old manan old traditionold winean old housean old countryof or relating to advanced years or a long life(as collective noun; preceded by the)people of all agesdecrepit or senileworn with age or use(postpositive) having lived or existed for a specified periodа child who is six years old(in combination)(as noun in combination)(capital when part of a name or title) earlier or earliest of two or more things with the same namethe old editionthe Old Testamentold Norwich(capital when part of a name) designating the form of a language in which the earliest known records are written(prenominal) familiar through long acquaintance or repetitionan old friendan old excusepractised; hardenedcherished; dear: used as a term of affection or familiarityinformal, (with any of several nouns) used as a familiar form of address to a personold thingold beanold stickold fellowskilled through long experience (esp in the phrase an old hand)out-of-date; unfashionableremote or distant in origin or time of origin(prenominal) former; previous(prenominal) established for a relatively long time(in combination)sensible, wise, or mature(of a river, valley, or land surface) in the final stage of the cycle of erosion, characterized by flat extensive flood plains and minimum relief See also youthful mature(intensifier) (esp in phrases such as a good old time, any old thing, any old how, etc)(of crops) harvested latean earlier period of time regarded as better than the presentinformal, indicating affection, esp humorous affectioninformal, a jocular name for Satan“Collins English Dictionary — Complete & Unabridged” 2012 Digital Edition © William Collins Sons & Co. 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(ōld)adj. old·er, old·est 1. a. Having lived or existed for a relatively long time; far advanced in years or life.b. Relatively advanced in age: Pamela is our oldest child.2. Made long ago; in existence for many years: an old book.3. a. Of or relating to a long life or to people who have had long lives: a ripe old age.b. Having or exhibiting the physical characteristics of age: a prematurely old face.c. Having or exhibiting the wisdom of age; mature: a child who is old for his years.4. Having lived or existed for a specified length of time: She was 12 years old.5. a. Exhibiting the effects of time or long use; worn: an old coat.b. Known through long acquaintance; long familiar: an old friend.c. Skilled or able through long experience; practiced: He is an old hand at doing home repairs.6. a. Belonging to a remote or former period in history; ancient: old fossils.b. Belonging to or being of an earlier time: her old classmates.c. often Old Being the earlier or earliest of two or more related objects, stages, versions, or periods.7. Geology a. Having become slower in flow and less vigorous in action. Used of a river.b. Having become simpler in form and of lower relief. Used of a landform.8. often ol' (ōl)a. Used as an intensive: Come back any old time. Don't give me any ol' excuse.b. Used to express affection or familiarity: good ol' Sam.n.1. An individual of a specified age: a five-year-old.2. Old people considered as a group. Used with the: caring for the old.3. Former times; yore: in days of old.[Middle English, from Old English eald; see al- in Indo-European roots.]Synonyms: old, ancient1, archaic, antediluvian, antique, antiquated These adjectives describe what belongs to or dates from an earlier time or period. Old is the most general term: old lace; an old saying. Ancient pertains to the distant past: "the hills, / Rock-ribbed, and ancient as the sun" (William Cullen Bryant). Archaic implies a very remote, often primitive period: an archaic Greek bronze of the seventh century bc. Antediluvian applies to what is extremely outdated: "I ... went out to reconnoiter a fresh typewriter ribbon for Professor Mitwisser's antediluvian machine" (Cynthia Ozick). Antique is applied to what is especially appreciated or valued because of its age: antique furniture; an antique vase. Antiquated describes what is out of date, no longer fashionable, or discredited: "No idea is so antiquated that it was not once modern. No idea is so modern that it will not someday be antiquated" (Ellen Glasgow).Usage Note: Old, when applied to people, is a blunt term that usually suggests at least a degree of physical infirmity and age-related restrictions. It should be used advisedly, especially in referring to people advanced in years but leading active lives. · As a comparative form, older might logically seem to indicate greater age than old, but in most cases the opposite is true. A phrase such as the older woman in the wool jacket suggests a somewhat younger person than if old is substituted. Where old expresses an absolute, an arrival at old age, older takes a more relative view of aging as a continuum—older, but not yet old. As such, older is not just a euphemism for the blunter old but rather a more precise term for someone between middle and advanced age. And unlike elderly, older does not particularly suggest frailness or infirmity, making it the natural choice in many situations. See Usage Note at elder1.American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition. Copyright © 2016 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. 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Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved.1. 'old'Old is most commonly used for describing the age of a person or thing. For example, you say that someone 'is forty years old'.Legally, witnesses must be at least fourteen years old.They found bits of bone which are three-and-a-half million years old.You can also describe someone as, for example, 'a forty-year-old man'. Don't say 'a forty-years-old man'.She married a sixty-year-old man.Sue lives with her five-year-old son John in the West Country.You can also say that someone is 'a man of forty'. However, don't say 'a man of forty years old'.Maya is a tall, strong woman of thirty.Actually, he looks good for a man of 62.2. asking about ageYou use old after how when you are asking about the age of a person or thing.'How old are you?' – 'I'll be eight next year.''How old is the Taj Mahal?' – 'It was built in about 1640, I think.'3. another meaning of 'old'You can also use old to describe someone who has lived a very long time.He was very thin and he looked really old.4. 'elderly'This use of old can sometimes sound rude. Elderly is a more polite word.I look after my elderly mother.Like many elderly people, Mrs Carstairs could remember voices better than faces.You can talk about old people as the elderly.This is one of the many organizations which help the elderly.5. old friendsAn old friend is someone who has been your friend for a long time. He or she is not necessarily an old person.Some of us took the opportunity to visit old friends.6. 'old' used for describing objectsAn old building or other object was built or made a long time ago.The museum is a massive old building.The drawers were full of old clothes.7. 'former'Old can sometimes mean 'former'. For example, your 'old teacher' is someone that used to be your teacher. 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"old money"noncurrent - not current or belonging to the present timestale - lacking freshness, palatability, or showing deterioration from age; "stale bread"; "the beer was stale"nonmodern - not modern; of or characteristic of an earlier timepast - earlier than the present time; no longer current; "time past"; "his youth is past"; "this past Thursday"; "the past year"worn - affected by wear; damaged by long use; "worn threads on the screw"; "a worn suit"; "the worn pockets on the jacket"new - not of long duration; having just (or relatively recently) come into being or been made or acquired or discovered; "a new law"; "new cars"; "a new comet"; "a new friend"; "a new year"; "the New World"3.old - (used for emphasis) very familiar; "good old boy"; "same old story"familiar - well known or easily recognized; "a familiar figure"; "familiar songs"; "familiar guests"4.old - skilled through long experience; "an old offender"; "the older soldiers"experienced, experient - having experience; having knowledge or skill from observation or participation5.old - belonging to some prior time; 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Existing or remaining in the same state for an indefinitely long time:abiding, continuing, durable, enduring, lasting, long-lasting, long-lived, long-standing, perdurable, perennial, permanent, persistent.3. Belonging to, existing, or occurring in times long past:age-old, ancient, antediluvian, antiquated, antique, archaic, hoary, olden, old-time, timeworn, venerable.Idioms: old as Methuselah, old as the hills.5. Of a style or method formerly in vogue:antiquated, antique, archaic, bygone, dated, dowdy, fusty, old-fashioned, old-time, outdated, outmoded, out-of-date, passé, vintage. The American Heritage® Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright © 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. 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CPD old age N → vejez fin one's old age → en la vejezperhaps I'm going soft in my old age → quizá me estoy ablandando al hacerme viejo or en la vejezhe is unable to travel much because of old age → no puede viajar mucho debido a su edadsee also ripe old age pension N → subsidio m de la tercera edad, pensión fold age pensioner N → pensionista mf, jubilado/a m/fthe Old Bailey N (Brit) el tribunal de lo penal de más alto rango de Inglaterrathe Old Bill N (Brit) → la poli, la pasma (Sp) old boy N (= former pupil) → ex-alumno m, antiguo alumno m (o.f.) (= old chap) → amigo m miothe old-boy network (esp pej) → el amiguismothe old brigade N → los veteranosold campaigner N → veterano mold chestnut N (= joke) → broma f muy pasada; (= story) → historia f muy pasadaOld Dominion N (US) el estado de VirginiaOld English N → inglés m antiguo ANGLO-SAXON Old English Sheepdog N → perro m pastor ovejero inglésold flame N → antiguo amor mold folks' home N → residencia f de ancianosold girl N (= former pupil) → ex-alumna f, antigua alumna f; (= elderly woman) → señora f, abuelita fOld Glory N (US) bandera de los Estados Unidosold gold N → oro m viejothe old guard N → la vieja guardiaold hand N → veterano/a m/fhe's an old hand at photography → es un veterano de la fotografíaold lag N (= old prisoner) → (preso/a m/f) veterano/a m/f; (= ex-prisoner) → ex-presidiario/a m/fold maid N (pej) → solterona fshe'll end up an old maid → se quedará para vestir santosOld Man River N (US) el río Mississippiold master N (= work) → obra f maestra de la pintura clásica; (= painter) → gran maestro m de la pintura clásicaold money N → dinero m de familiaOld Nick N (hum) → Pedro Botero (hum)old people's home N → residencia f de ancianosold salt N (Naut) → viejo lobo m de marold school tie N (Brit) (lit) corbata con los colores representativos de la escuela a la que alguien ha asistidothe old school tie (fig) → el amiguismoold soldier N → veterano m, excombatiente mthe Old South N (US) → el viejo surold stager N → veterano/a m/fOld Testament N → Antiguo Testamento mold wives' tale N → cuento m de viejas, patraña fthe Old World N → el Viejo Mundo, el Viejo Continentesee also old-worldPosition of "viejo" and "antiguo" Viejo and antiguo can go either before or after the noun, depending on their meaning.Viejo• Put viejo after the noun when you are referring to age: ...boxes full of old clothes... ...cajas llenas de ropa viejo... Old cars are the ones that pollute the environment most Son los coches viejos los que más contaminan el medio ambiente• Put viejo before the noun when you mean old in the sense of "long-standing" or "well-established": They got in touch with an old friend Se pusieron en contacto con un viejo amigo Many of the old customs have changed with the passing of time Muchas de las viejas costumbres han cambiado con el paso del tiempoAntiguo• Generally put antiguo after the noun to translate ancient or old in the sense of "ancient": ...one of Canada's most beautiful old houses... ...una de las más bellas casas antiguas de Canadá... ...the old part of the town... ...el barrio antiguo de la ciudad...• Put antiguo before the noun to translate former or old in the sense of "former": My old colleagues are no longer my friends Mis antiguos compañeros ya no son mis amigos ...the former British colonies... ...las antiguas colonias británicas...Collins Spanish Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged 8th Edition 2005 © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1971, 1988 © HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005 [ˈəʊld] adj (gen) → vieux(vieille), vieil before masc noun beginning with a vowel or before mute han old tree → un vieil arbrean old dog → un vieux chienan old house → une vieille maisonhow old is it? → quel âge ça a?How old do you think these tombs are? → Quel âge pensez-vous qu'elles aient, ces tombes?It's 10,000 years old → Ça a 10 000 ans. [person] → vieux(vieille), vieil before masc noun beginning with a vowel or before mute han old man → un vieil hommeold people → les personnes âgéeshow old are you? → quel âge as-tu or avez-vous?He's ten years old → Il a dix ans.She's two years older than me → Elle a deux ans de plus que moi.I'm the oldest in the familyBUT Je suis l'aîné de la famille.He wasn't old enough to understandBUT Il n'était pas assez âgé pour comprendre.You'll understand when you're olderBUT Tu comprendras quand tu seras plus âgé. → Tu comprendras quand tu seras plus vieux.to be older than sb → être plus âgé que qn, être plus vieux que qnHe's older than me → Il est plus âgé que moi., Il est plus vieux que moi.my older brother → mon frère aînémy older sister → ma sœur aînéean old friend of sb'sPete's an old friend of mine → Pete est un vieil ami à moi., Pete est un de mes vieux amis.Collins English/French Electronic Resource. © HarperCollins Publishers 2005 : old-age pension old-age pensioner Old Bill pl (Brit inf) the old → die Bullen pl (sl), → die Bullerei (sl) old country n → Mutterland nt, → alte Heimat Old Dominion n (US: = Virginia) → Virginia nt: Old English Old English sheepdog : old folk's home Old French n (Ling) → Altfranzösisch nt Old Glory n (US: = flag) → das Sternenbanner old guard old hand n → alter Hase (→ at sth in etw dat) Old High German n (Ling) → Althochdeutsch nt: old lady n (inf) my old (= wife) → meine Alte (inf); (= mother also) → meine alte Dame (inf) old lag n (sl) → Knastbruder m (inf) old-line adj (= following tradition) → der alten Schule; (= long-established) → alteingesessen old maid old-maidish adj → altjüngferlich, altbacken old man n (inf) my old (= husband) → mein Alter (inf); (= father also) → mein alter Herr (inf); the old (= boss etc) → der Alte old master Old Nick n (hum: = the devil) → der Leibhaftige old people's home old rose old salt old school old school tie n (lit) → Schulschlips m; (fig) Gehabe, das von Ehemaligen einer Public School erwartet wird old soldier n → alter Soldat; (fig: = old hand) → alter Hase Old South n Südstaaten der USA vor dem amerikanischen Bürgerkrieg old stager n (inf) → alter Hase (inf): Old Testament (Bibl) adj prophet → alttestamentarisch old-timer old wives' tale old woman n he's an old → er ist wie ein altes Weib old-womanish Old World n the old → die Alte Welt Collins German Dictionary – Complete and Unabridged 7th Edition 2005. © William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1980 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007Collins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition © HarperCollins Publishers 1995 (əʊld) adjective1. advanced in age. an old man; He is too old to live alone. oud عَجوز, مُسِن ,پیر; مسن vanha vieuxپیر; مسن ... yaşlı, ihtiyar 年老的 старий वृद्धा già 年老的2. having a certain age. He is thirty years old. oud عُمْرُه من العُمْر, ...سال; jnk ikäinen ägé de ...سال; ... vanha vieux; star, u dobi ... éves berumur gamall (di età) → 歳の ... amžiaus vecs tahun oudgammel w wieku كلن de idade în vârstă de возраста starý star gammal ... yaşında, ... yaşta 人...年老的 вказівці на вік والا عمر tuoli ...岁的 4. no longer useful. She threw away the old shoes. ou عَتيق, بالِ непотребен velho starý alt gammel παλιός, άχρηστοςviejo vana فرسوده; از کار افتاده vanha vieux; star idejétmúlt usang gamall, notaður vecchio 使い古した senas vecs; nolietots lama oudavlagt, gammelstary ...ليه كاره لودبلى ...ليه كاره لودبلى ...ليه كاره لودبلى