**Examples of Onomatopoeia**

Here is a list of over 100 onomatopoeic words associated with noises. (Some words are shown more than once because the sounds they imitate fall under more than one category.)

**Human Sounds**

**Voice:**

hum, grunt, mutter, chatter, yack or yak, blab, lisp, sneer, snicker, giggle, whimper, bawl, squeal, shriek, whoop

**Nose and Mouth:**

shush, whistle, smooch, cluck, smack, crunch, munch, gulp, spit, sputter, splutter, slobber, cough, sniff, sniffle, hiccup, huff, snort, snore, belch

**Hands:**

pat, clap, slap, smack

**Animal Sounds**

**Dogs:**

woof, yip, yap, growl, snarl, howl

**Cats:**

meow or miaow, mew, purr

**Birds:**

chirp, cheep, tweet, peep, twitter, crow, squawk

**Insects:**

buzz, chirp, hum

**Vehicle Sounds**

**Engines:**

roar, hum, purr

**Horns:**

honk, beep

**Exhaust pipes:**

sputter, rumble

**Brakes:**

squeal, screech

**Other Sounds**

**Explosions:**

boom, bang, pop

**Collisions:**

crash, bang, clash, wham, smack, whomp, whump, thump, bump

**High Speed:**

zoom, whoosh, swoosh, zing

**Actions:**

zip, tap, click, clip, snip, knock, rap, bang, thwack, flap, smack, smash

**Objects:**

creak, squeak, pop, boing, sizzle, fizzle, flap

**Groups of Objects:**

rustle, clack, clunk, clank, jingle, rattle, clatter

**Sirens:**

blare, shriek

**Alarms:**

ding, buzz, beep, clang

**Music:**

drum, throb, thump, twang, plink, plunk, bong

**Liquids:**

squish, slush, burble, gurgle, trickle, glug, splatter, squirt, fizz, plop

**Air:**

puff, hiss, whistle, swoosh, whoosh

**Electricity:**

buzz, hum, zap