

# What is my name?

**Address** = use a particular name or title for somebody when you speak or write to them

**gain** = get/achieve/obtain

**identity** = Who/what somebody is

**motherhood** = the state of being a mother

**profession** = a job that needs a high level of education and training

**dowry** = property and money that a woman gives to her husband when they marry (in some societies)

**tuck in** = to move something inside

**swab** = to clean or wash a floor, surface, etc. using water and a cloth, etc.

**dexterous** = skilful and quick when using your hands

**pat** = a friendly act of touching someone with your hand flat

**chief mission** = main aim/purpose

**scrub** = to clean something by rubbing it hard, especially with a brush and usually with soap and water

**sumptuous** = Very impressive

**ceaseless** = endless

**shake up** = change/affect

**mopping cloth** = cloth used for cleaning the floor

**across** = on the other side of

**zeal** = great interest

**perturbed** = worried or anxious

**restless** = disturbed

**daubing** = spreading a substance such as paint, mud, etc. onto something

**maidservant** = a female servant in a house

**mistress** = the female employer of a servant

**poor thing** = used to show sympathy for someone

**be taken aback** = be very surprised about something

**ever since** = continuously since the time mentioned

**immerse with** = involve in

**Kumkum ceremony** = a social gathering in India in which married women exchange haldi (turmeric) and kumkum (vermilion powder), as a symbol of their married status and wishing for their husbands' long lives.

**chat away** = talk

**urge** = a strong desire to do something

**giggle** = to laugh quickly, quietly, and in a high voice

**Pharmaceutical company** = A company that makes and sells medical drugs

**burst out laughing (Phr. V.)** = to suddenly start to laugh

**frantically** = done in a hurried way and in a state of excitement

**chiffon sarees** = Light weight sarees made of silk or nylon

**voile sarees** = sarees made of 100% cotton or cotton blended with linen or polyester

**bother about** = be worried about

**chose** = a task that you do regularly

**plead with** = to ask in strong and serious way

**suspicion** = doubt

**recollect** = remember

**pitifully** = in a disappointed way

**bear the expenses** = pay for something/take responsibility

**well-mannered** = having good manners

**clean out** = to make something clean

**attic** = a space or room just below the roof of a house

**hum** = to sing a tune with lips closed

**dawn broke** = the first light of the day appeared

**anthill** = a place where ants live

**wail** = to cry out aloud

**succeed** = Become successful

**recover** = get back

**sole purpose** = main aim/purpose

**embrace** = hug

**parched** = Very dry

**indeed** = really

**incognito** = having hidden identity

**confront** = ask

**take up (Phr. V.)** = fill

**overjoyed** = extremely happy

**choultry** = inn/ a resting place (సత్రం)

**Just scrubbing the floor does not make a festival**

ఇల్లలకగానే పండగ కాదు.