

## APSU Writing Center

### Principle and Principal

Word	Principle	Principal
<b>Definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (n) a fundamental truth, rule, or belief that serves as the foundation for a system of thought or behavior</li> <li>• (n) a moral rule or standard</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (n) the head of a school or organization, or the most important figure in a situation</li> <li>• (n) the original amount of a loan or investment, before interest.</li> <li>• (adj.) most important or main</li> </ul>

**Principle** is a noun that refers to a fundamental truth, rule, or belief that serves as the foundation for a system of thought or behavior. It can also mean a moral rule or standard.

- Example: The **principle** of equality is central to the organization's mission.
- Example: He refused the offer on **principle**, believing it to be unethical.

**Principal** can be a noun or an adjective. As a noun, it refers to the head of a school or organization, or the most important figure in a situation. It can also refer to the original amount of a loan or investment, before interest. As an adjective, it means "most important" or "main."

- Noun Example: The **principal** of the high school addressed the graduating class.
- Noun Example: She paid off part of the loan's **principal**.
- Adjective Example: The **principal** reason for the delay was the bad weather.

### Prophecy and Prophecy

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<b>Definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (n) refers to a prediction or message about the future, often delivered through divine inspiration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (v) to predict or foretell something, often through divine or supernatural insight</li> </ul>

**Prophecy** is a noun that refers to a prediction or message about the future, often delivered through divine inspiration.

- Example: The ancient **prophecy** foretold the rise of a great leader.
- Example: According to legend, the **prophecy** was written on stone tablets.

**Prophecy** is a verb that means to predict or foretell something, often through divine or supernatural insight.

- Example: He stood before the crowd to **prophecy** a time of great prosperity.
- Example: The oracle claimed she could **prophecy** events that would change the kingdom.