

## Phantoms in the Brain: Probing the Mysteries of the Human Mind

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might; force. great or marked ability to do or act; strength

influence: Words have tremendous power over our minds. the possession of control or command over people; authority

political ascendancy or control in the government of a country, state, etc.: They attained power by overthrowing the legal government.

legal ability, capacity, or authority: the legislative powers vested in Congress.

delegated authority; authority granted to a person or persons in a particular office or capacity: a delegate with power to mediate disputes.

a document or written statement conferring legal authority.

a person or thing that possesses or exercises authority or influence.

a state or nation having international authority or influence: The great powers held an international conference.

a military or naval force: The Spanish Armada was a mighty power.

Often powers . deity; divinity: the heavenly powers.

Dialect . a large number or amount: There's a power of good eatin' at the church social.

Physics . work done or energy transferred per unit of time. Symbol : P the time rate of doing work.

mechanical energy as distinguished from hand labor: a loom driven by power.

a particular form of mechanical or physical energy: hydroelectric power.

energy, force, or momentum: The door slammed shut, seemingly under its own power.

Mathematics . the product obtained by multiplying a quantity by itself one or

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more times: The third power of 2 is 8. (of a number  $x$ ) a number whose logarithm is  $a$  times the logarithm of  $x$  (and is called the  $a$ th power of  $x$ ).

Symbolically,  $y = x^a$  is a number that satisfies the equation  $\log y = a \log x$ .  
the exponent of an expression, as  $a$  in  $x^a$ . cardinal number (def. 2).

## Reference

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