

# canal lock *(ca-nal-lock)*

## Definition

n. A section of a canal that is closed off with gates in which the water level can be raised or lowered to move boats from one level to another.

## Example Sentence

The **canal lock** allowed the boat to navigate the different water levels smoothly.

## More Example Sentences

Engineers designed the **canal lock** to facilitate the passage of ships through the hilly terrain.

## Synonyms

sluice; watergate; floodgate

## Antonyms

open water; free flow; unimpeded passage

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