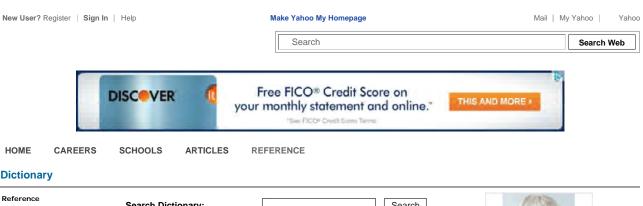
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(pärt'n⊕r) KEY

NOUN:

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- 1. One that is united or associated with another or others in an activity or a sphere of common interest, especially:
 - A member of a business partnership.
 - · A spouse.
 - A domestic partner. See Usage Note at domestic partner.
 - Either of two persons dancing together.
 - · One of a pair or team in a sport or game, such as tennis or
- 2. Nautical A wooden framework used to strengthen a ship's deck at the point where a mast or other structure passes through it. Often used in the plural.

part-nered, part-ner-ing, part-ners VERB:

tr.

- 1. To make a partner of.
- 2. To bring together as partners.
- 3. To be the partner of.

VERB:

To work or perform as a partner or partners.

Middle English partener, alteration (influenced by part, part), of parcener, parcener; see parcener

SYNONYMS:

partner, colleague, ally, confederate

These nouns all denote one who is united or associated with another, as in a venture or relationship. A partner participates in a relationship in which each member has equal status: a partner in a law firm. A colleague is an associate in an occupation or a profession: a colleague and fellow professor. An ally is one who associates with another, at least temporarily, in a common cause: countries that were allies in World War II. A confederate is a member of a confederacy, a league, or an alliance or sometimes a collaborator in a suspicious venture: confederates in a scheme to oust the chairman.

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