

**bristle**

1. ['brɪs(ə)] *n*

- 1. щетинка; щетина
- 2. *pl* пеньки (зачатки вновь отрастающих перьев)
  - ◇ to set up one's bristles - оцетиниться, рассердиться
  - to set up smb.'s bristles - рассердить кого-л.

2. ['brɪs(ə)] *v*

- 1. 1) оцетиниться
- 2) подняться дыбом (о шерсти)
- 2. рассердиться, рассвирепеть (*мж.* bristle up)
  - don't bristle up like a hedgehog - что ты оцетинился словно ёж
- 3. (with) изобиловать (*чем-л.*)
  - to bristle with difficulties /quotations/ - изобиловать трудностями /цитатами
  - the plan bristles with technical difficulties - план полон технических трудностей

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**bris-tle** [**bristle** **bristles** **bristled** **bristling**] **noun, verb** *BrE* ['brɪsɪ] *AmE* ['brɪsɪ]

**noun**

- 1. a short stiff hair
  - the bristles on his chin
- 2. one of the short stiff hairs or wires in a brush

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old English byrst (of Germanic origin, related to German **Borste**) + -le.

Derived ↑bristle with something

**verb**

- 1. **intransitive** ~ (**with sth**) (**at sth**) to suddenly become very annoyed or offended at what sb says or does
  - His lies made her bristle with rage.
- 2. **intransitive** (of an animal's fur) to stand up on the back and neck because the animal is frightened or angry

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	bristle
	<i>BrE</i> / 'brɪsɪ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'brɪsɪ/
he / she /it	bristles
	<i>BrE</i> / 'brɪsɪz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'brɪsɪz/
past simple, past participle	bristled
	<i>BrE</i> / 'brɪsɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'brɪsɪd/
-ing form	bristling
	<i>BrE</i> / 'brɪsɪŋ/
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I. **bristle**<sup>1</sup> /'brɪsəl/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun*

[**Date:** 1200-1300; **Language:** Old English; **Origin:** byrst '**bristle**']

- 1. [**uncountable and countable**] a short stiff hair that feels rough:
  - His chin was covered with bristles.
- 2. [**countable**] a short stiff hair, wire etc that forms part of a brush

II. **bristle**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* *AmE* *verb* [**intransitive**]

- 1. to behave in a way that shows you are very angry or annoyed
  - bristle with rage/indignation etc**
  - John pushed back his chair, bristling with rage.
  - bristle at**
  - He bristled at her rudeness.
- 2. if an animal's hair bristles, it stands up stiffly because the animal is afraid or angry
  - bristle with something** *phrasal verb*
  - to have a lot of something, or be full of something:
    - a battleship bristling with guns

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