

destitute

1. [ˈdestɪtʃu:t] *n*
нуждающийся , бедняк
2. [ˈdestɪtʃu:t] *a*
 1. сильно нуждающийся ; бедный
destitute condition - крайняя нужда, бедность
to be utterly destitute - жить в полной нищете
to be left destitute - остаться без всяких средств
 2. лишённый (чего-л.)
destitute of vegetation - лишённый растительности
destitute of feeling - бесчувственный
3. [ˈdestɪtʃu:t] *v редк.*
 1. снимать с должности, смещать
 2. лишать
 3. опустошать, разорять

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des-ti-tute [destitute destitutes] *BrE* [ˈdestɪtʃuːt] *NAmE* [ˈdestɪtuːt] **adjective**

1. without money, food and the other things necessary for life
 - When he died, his family was left completely destitute.
2. **the destitute** *noun plural* people who are **destitute**
3. **~ of sth** (*formal*) lacking sth
 - They seem destitute of ordinary human feelings.

Derived Word ↑**destitution**

Word Origin:

late Middle English (in the sense ‘deserted, abandoned, empty’): from Latin **destitutus**, past participle of **destituere** ‘forsake’, from **de-** ‘away from’ + **statuere** ‘to place’.

Example Bank:

- The war left her completely destitute.
- a country almost destitute of timber
- a man wholly destitute of compassion

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[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** destitutus, past participle of destituere ‘to set down, leave’]

1. having no money, no food, no home etc.
 - The floods left many people destitute.
2. **be destitute of something** *literary* to be completely without something:
 - a man who is destitute of mercy

—**destitution** /,destəˈtʃuːən, ˌdestɪˈtʃuːən/\$ -ˈtuːt/ *noun* [uncountable]

THESAURUS

- **poor** having very little money and not many possessions – used about people or places: Many families were too poor to pay for education. | poor countries
- **hard up/broke** (*also skint British English*) [not before noun] *informal* having very little money, especially for a short period of time. **Skint** is more informal than the other words: I’m a bit hard up at the moment | We were so broke we couldn’t afford to go out to the cinema.
- **developing** [only before noun] a developing country is poor and has very little industry: The disease is found mainly in developing countries. | the developing world
- **deprived** [usually before noun] much poorer than other people in a country, and not having the things that are necessary for a comfortable or happy life – used about people and areas: The charity works with deprived children in the inner city. | one of the most deprived areas of London
- **disadvantaged** *especially written* used about groups of people in society who have much less chance of being successful because they are poor: An increase in the minimum wage would help the most disadvantaged Americans.
- **needy** having very little money, and so needing help – used about groups of people: More help should be given to needy families. | We offer scholarships for needy students.
- **destitute** *especially written* having no money or possessions and nowhere to live – used when someone is in a very bad situation: Her family was left destitute after her father died. | destitute refugees
- **impoverished** *formal* impoverished people and places are very poor: out-of-work miners and their impoverished families | The children come from impoverished neighbourhoods. | one of the world’s most impoverished countries
- **poverty-stricken** *written* extremely poor: poverty-stricken areas | They were left poverty-stricken.
- **penniless** *especially literary* having no money: She died penniless. | a penniless student

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