

menial

1. ['mi:niəl] *n пренебр.*
слуга, лакей
the menials - *собир.* челядь
2. ['mi:niəl] *a пренебр.*
низкий, лакейский; раболепный

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me-nial [menial menials] *adjective, noun BrE* ['miːniəl] ^m *NAmE* ['miːniəl] ^m*adjective* (usually disapproving) (of work)

not skilled or important, and often boring or badly paid

- **menial jobs/work**
- menial tasks like cleaning the floor

Word Origin:late Middle English (in the sense 'domestic'): from Old French, from *mesnee* 'household'.*noun* (old-fashioned)

a person with a ↑menial job

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I. **me-ni-al** ¹ /'miːniəl *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *adjective*[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Anglo-French; **Origin:** *meiniee* 'household', from Latin *mansio*; ⇨ ↑**mansion**]

menial work is boring, needs no skill, and is not important:

" a menial job

" She did menial tasks about the house.

II. **menial** ² *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *noun* [countable]

someone who does menial work, especially a servant in a house

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