

# headlong

## 1. [ˈhedlɒŋ] *a*

1. головой вперёд  
headlong fall - падение головой вперёд  
headlong dive - ныряние головой вниз
2. 1) опрометчивый, безрассудный  
headlong decision - опрометчивое решение  
headlong flight - паническое бегство
- 2) бурный, безудержный  
headlong fury - безудержная ярость
3. редк. крутой, отвесный  
headlong rocks - отвесные скалы

## 2. [ˈhedlɒŋ] *adv*

1. головой вперёд  
to fall headlong - упасть головой вперёд
2. 1) бешено, стремительно, стремглав
- 2) опрометчиво, очертя голову  
to rush headlong into the fight [into danger] - ринуться в бой [навстречу опасности]

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

## I. head·long *BrE* [ˈhedlɒŋ] <sup>m</sup> *NAme* [ˈhedlɒŋ] <sup>m</sup> *NAme* [ˈhedlɒŋ] <sup>m</sup> **adverb**

1. with the head first and the rest of the body following  
**Syn:** ↑head first  
• She **fell headlong** into the icy pool.
2. without thinking carefully before doing sth  
• The government is taking care not to **rush headlong into** another controversy.
3. quickly and without looking where you are going  
• He ran headlong into a police car.

### Word Origin:

[**headlong**] Middle English headling (from ↑**head** + the adverbial suffix -ling), altered in late Middle English by association with -long.

## II. head·long **adjective only before noun**

- a headlong dive/rush  
**Main entry:** ↑headlong<sub>derived</sub>

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Origin:** headling 'head-first' (14-17 centuries), from head + -ling 'in a particular direction']

1. **rush/plunge headlong into something** if you rush headlong into something, you start doing it too quickly without thinking carefully
2. with your head first and the rest of your body following **SYN headfirst:**  
• I **fell headlong into** a pool of icy water.
3. very quickly, without looking where you are going:  
• Mortimer almost **ran headlong into** a patrol.

—**headlong** *adjective*

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