

molest

[mə'lest] *v*

1. приставать, досаждать
2. 1) нападать (*на прохожих и т. п.*)
- 2) привязываться, приставать из хулиганских побуждений (*к малолетним, девушкам и т. п.*)

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mo·lest [molest molests molested molesting] *BrE* [mə'lest] *NAmE* [mə'lest]

v **verb**

1. ~ **sb** to attack sb, especially a child, sexually

Syn: ↑abuse

2. ~ **sb** (*old-fashioned*) to attack sb physically
 - The couple were molested while walking through the park.

Derived Words ↑molestation ▪ ↑molester

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
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| present simple | |
| I / you / we /they | molest |
| | BrE /mə'lest/ |
| | NAmE /mə'lest/ |
| he / she /it | molests |
| | BrE /mə'lests/ |
| | NAmE /mə'lests/ |
| past simple, past participle | molested |
| | BrE /mə'lestɪd/ |
| | NAmE /mə'lestɪd/ |
| -ing form | molesting |
| | BrE /mə'lestɪŋ/ |
| | NAmE /mə'lestɪŋ/ |

Word Origin:

late Middle English (in the sense 'cause trouble to, vex'): from Old French molester or Latin molestare 'annoy', from molestus 'troublesome'.

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mo·lest /mə'lest/ *BrE* *AmE* *v* **verb** [transitive]

[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** molester, from Latin molestare, from molestus 'heavy, annoying', from moles 'mass']

1. to attack or harm someone, especially a child, by touching them in a sexual way or by trying to have sex with them **SYN** abuse:
 - men who molest young boys

2. *old-fashioned* to attack and physically harm someone:
 - a dog that was molesting sheep

—**molester** *noun* [countable]

—**molestation** /,məʊle'steɪʃən \$,moʊ-/ *noun* [uncountable]:

- sexual molestation

⇒ ↑child molester

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