

philistine**1.** [ˈfɪlɪstain] *n*

1. (Philistine) филистимлянин

2. филистер обыватель, мещанин

philistines who opposed everything new and creative in art - обыватели которые выступали против всего нового и творческого в искусстве

3. *шутл.* враг номер один (*критик, судебный пристав и т. п.*)

◇ to fall among philistines - а) попасть в руки врагов; б) попасть в переделку, попасть в тяжёлое положение

2. [ˈfɪlɪstain] *a*

1. (Philistine) относящийся к филистимлянам

2. филистерский обывательский, мещанский

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• **I.** **phil-is-tine** [philistine philistines] *BrE* [ˈfɪlɪstain] ^ˈ *NAmE* [ˈfɪlɪstɪn] ^ˈ **noun**

(disapproving)

a person who does not like or understand art, literature, music, etc

• In artistic matters he's a complete philistine.

• She dismissed critics of her work as philistines.

Derived Word ↑ **philistinism**Word Origin:

from French **Philistin**, via late Latin from Greek **Philistinos**, from Hebrew **pēlišṭī**. The current sense arose as a result of a confrontation between town and gown in Jena, Germany, in the late 17th cent.; a sermon on the conflict quoted from the Bible: "the Philistines are upon you" (Judges 16), which led to an association between the townspeople and those hostile to culture.

• **II.** **phil-is-tine** **adjective**

• philistine attitudes

Main entry: ↑ **philistine** ^{derived}**philistine**

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phil **is** **tine** /ˈfɪləstain, ˈfɪlɪstain \$ -stiŋ/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **noun** [countable]

[**Date:** 1800-1900; **Origin:** Philistine; because the Philistines were thought by the Israelites in the Bible to be uncivilized people]

someone who does not like or understand art, literature, music etc:

"When it comes to art, the man's a philistine."

—**philistine** **adjective**—**philistinism** **noun** [uncountable]**philistine**

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