

zigzag

1. ['zɪgzæɡ] *n*
 1. зигзаг; ломаная линия
to move in zigzags - идти /двигаться/ зигзагом
 2. *мор.* противолодочный манёвр «зигзаг»
 3. *дор.* поворот «зигзаг»
 4. *тех.* соединение зигзагом
2. ['zɪgzæɡ] *a*
 1. зигзагообразный
zigzag course - *мор.* зигзагообразный курс, зигзаг
zigzag harrow - *с.-х.* зубовая борона «зигзаг»
 2. *сл.* пьяный, еле держащийся на ногах
3. ['zɪgzæɡ] *adv*
зигзагом, зигзагообразно
4. ['zɪgzæɡ] *v*
 - 1) делать зигзаги; идти зигзагом
lightning zigzagged across the sky - зигзаг молнии расколол /прорезал/ небо
 - 2) расставлять, располагать зигзагом

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• **I. zigzag** [zigzag zigzags zigzagged zigzagging] *noun, verb* BrE ['zɪgzæɡ] ¹ NAmE ['zɪgzæɡ] ²

noun

a line or pattern that looks like a series of letter W's as it bends to the left and then to the right again
 • The path descended the hill in a series of zigzags.

Word Origin:

early 18th cent.: from French, from German **Zickzack**, symbolic of alternation of direction, first applied to fortifications.

Example Bank:

• The path rose in zigzags up the hillside.

verb (-gg-) intransitive (+ adv./prep.)

to move forward by making sharp sudden turns first to the left and then to the right
 • The narrow path zigzags up the cliff.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	zigzag
	BrE / 'zɪgzæɡ/
	NAmE / 'zɪgzæɡ/
he / she /it	zigzags
	BrE / 'zɪgzæɡz/
	NAmE / 'zɪgzæɡz/
past simple, past participle	zigzagged
	BrE / 'zɪgzæɡd/
	NAmE / 'zɪgzæɡd/
-ing form	zigzagging
	BrE / 'zɪgzæɡɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'zɪgzæɡɪŋ/

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• II. zigzag adjective only before noun

• a zigzag line/path/pattern

Main entry: ↑zigzag _{derived}

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- I. **zigzag** ¹ /'zɪgzæɡ/ BrE ¹ AmE ² *noun* [countable]
 [Date: 1700-1800; Language: French; Origin: probably from German zickzack]
 a pattern that looks like a line of z's joined together:
 a zigzag path along the cliff
- II. **zigzag** ² BrE ² AmE ² *verb* (past tense and past participle **zigzagged**, present participle **zigzagging**) [intransitive]
 to move forward in sharp angles, first to the left and then to the right etc:
 The path zigzagged down the hillside.

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RANGE: 11k ZIGZAG 642

zigzag 499

zigzags 143

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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97 **75753**¹⁰⁰ *vv0*

37 **125346**³⁸ *vvi*

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