

scrawl1. [skrɔ:l] *n*

1. *мк. sing* небрежный, неразборчивый почерк
his writing is a scrawl - ≅ он пишет как курица лапой
2. 1) небрежное *или* наспех написанное письмо
to send smb. a scrawl - послать кому-л. письмецо
- 2) что-л. плохо написанное *или* нарисованное; пачкотня, мазня
3. *pl уст.* каракули

2. [skrɔ:l] *v*

1. быстро и небрежно писать
to scrawl smth. illegibly - писать что-л. неразборчиво
to scrawl a hurried note [an answer] - наспех /поспешно/ черкнуть записку [ответ]
to scrawl one's signature - нацарапать свою подпись, поставить какую-то закорючку вместо подписи
2. исписать (*что-л.*) закорючками, непонятными знаками *и т. п.*
to scrawl all over the wall [a piece of paper] - исчеркать всю стену [лист бумаги]

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

scrawl [scrawl scrawls scrawled scrawling] *verb, noun* BrE [skrɔ:l] ⁴ NAmE[skrɔ:l] ⁴*verb* transitive, intransitive

to write sth in a careless untidy way, making it difficult to read

Syn: ↑scribble

- ~ **sth (across/in/on/over sth)** I tried to read his directions, scrawled on a piece of paper.
- ~ **across/in/on/over sth** Someone had scrawled all over my notes.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	scrawl
	BrE /skrɔ:l/
	NAmE /skrɔ:l/
he / she / it	scrawls
	BrE /skrɔ:lz/
	NAmE /skrɔ:lz/
past simple, past participle	scrawled
	BrE /skrɔ:lɪd/
	NAmE /skrɔ:lɪd/
-ing form	scrawling
	BrE /skrɔ:lɪŋ/
	NAmE /skrɔ:lɪŋ/

Word Origin:early 17th cent.: apparently an alteration of the verb ↑**crawl**, perhaps influenced by obsolete scrawl 'sprawl'.**Example Bank:**

- She had scrawled the directions on a piece of paper.
- The official scrawled his signature at the bottom of the form.
- There was a message scrawled on the board.

noun

a careless untidy way of writing; sth written in this way

Syn: ↑scribble

- Her signature was an illegible scrawl.
- I can't be expected to read this scrawl!
- The paper was covered in scrawls.

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I. **scrawl**¹ /skrɔ:l/\$ skrɔ:l/ *BrE* ⁴ *AmE* ⁴ *verb* [transitive][**Date:** 1600-1700; **Origin:** Perhaps from crawl, influenced by scrawl 'to lie carelessly' (14-19 centuries)]to write in a careless and untidy way, so that your words are not easy to read ⇒ **scribble:**

He scrawled his name at the bottom.

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THESAURUS

- **write** to use a pen or pencil to make words, letters etc: Have you written a shopping list? | The children are learning to read and write.

- **write something down** to write something on paper, in order to remember it or make a record: He wrote down everything she said.
- **put** to write something in a particular place, or to write particular words: I've put the dates of the meetings in my diary. | At the end of the email she put 'PS I love you'.
- **put something in writing** to write something that you have agreed or promised, so that there is an official record: They said they would pay me 50%, but they haven't actually put it in writing.
- **make a note of something** to write information that you might need later: I'll just make a note of your address. | Make a note in your diary.
- **take notes** to write things while someone is speaking or while something is happening, so that you can use them later: His lawyer was with him taking notes.
- **scrawl** /skrɔːl/\$ skrɒl/ to write something carelessly and untidily, especially in big letters – often used to show disapproval: Someone had scrawled graffiti on the school wall. | He'd scrawled a few unhelpful comments at the bottom of my work.
- **fill something in/out** to write information on a form or other official document: Please fill in the application form in black ink. | Would you mind filling out a questionnaire?
- **sign** to write your name at the end of a letter, document etc: Read the contract carefully, and then sign it. | Don't forget to sign your name.

II. **scrawl**² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *noun* [uncountable and countable]

untidy careless writing:

¹ The note was written in his usual illegible scrawl.

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 scrawled 788
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²⁶ **150293**²⁷ *vvi*