

**vice**

I

[vaɪs] *n*

1. 1) порок, зло  
sunk in vice - погрязший в пороке
- 2) несущественный недостаток, слабость  
drinking coffee is one of my vices - кофе - это моя слабость
2. недостаток, слабая сторона; дефект  
vices of a style - шероховатость /несовершенство/ стиля  
vices of drawing - ошибки в рисунке; слабость рисунка
3. норв (у лошади); злобный нрав (у собаки)
4. редк. слабость, порок (организма)  
inherited vice - наследственный порок
5. (the Vice) театр.
- 1) *исм.* Порок (в морали)
- 2) шут, клоун
6. безнравственность, особ. проституция  
organized vice - (подпольные) концерны публичных домов и игорных притонов  
vice squad - отряд полиции по борьбе с проституцией, наркотиками *и т. п.*

II

1. [vaɪs] *n мех.*  
тиски; клещи; зажимный патрон  
carpenter vice - струбцина  
table vice - слесарные тиски
2. [vaɪs] *v*  
1) *мех.* зажимать в тиски  
2) *воен.* брать (противника) в клещи

III

[vaɪs] *n*

- 1) *разг. сокр.* от vice-president, vice-chancellor *и т. п.*
- 2) заместитель исполняющий обязанности, наместник

IV

[ˈvaɪs(i)] *преп лат.*

вместо, взамен  
he was appointed manager vice Mr. Jones - он был назначен заведующим вместо г-на Джоунза

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**vice** [vice vices viced vicing] BrE [vaɪs] <sup>2</sup> NAmE [vaɪs] <sup>2</sup> noun



1. **uncountable** criminal activities that involves sex or drugs  
• plain-clothes detectives from the vice squad
2. **uncountable, countable** evil or immoral behaviour; an evil or immoral quality in sb's character  
• The film ended most satisfactorily: vice punished and virtue rewarded.  
• Greed is a terrible vice.  
• (humorous) Cigarettes are my only vice.
3. (BrE) (NAmE **vice**) **countable** a tool with two metal blocks that can be moved together by turning a screw. The **vice** is used to hold an object firmly while work is done on it  
• He held my arm in a **vice-like** (= very firm) grip .  
See also: ↑**vice**

Word Origin:

senses 1 to 2 Middle English Old French Latin vitium  
sense 3 Middle English Old French vis Latin vitis 'vine'

Example Bank:

- He used his inheritance to indulge his vices of drinking and gambling.
- At the door were two plain-clothes detectives from the vice squad.
- Of his many vices, his cruelty was the worst.
- She often spends a fortune on clothes— it's her greatest vice.
- The bright 21-year-old turned to a secret life of vice after getting bored with her studies at college.
- The occasional cigar is my only vice.

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**vice** /vaɪs/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *noun*

[Sense 1-3: Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: Latin vitium 'fault, vice']

1. **[uncountable]** criminal activities that involve sex or drugs:

the fight against vice on the streets

The police have smashed a vice ring (= a group of criminals involved in vice) in Chicago. ⇒ †Vice Squad

2. **[countable]** a bad habit:

Smoking is my only vice.

3. **[uncountable and countable]** a bad or immoral quality in a person, or bad or immoral behaviour **OPP** virtue:

Jealousy is a vice.

to reward virtue and punish vice

4.



**[countable]** (usually **wise** *AmE*) a tool that holds an object very firmly so that you can work on it:

He held my arm like a vice.

⇒ †vice-like

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Frequency Pack

12500 **1120**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **1404**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **3k** **VICE** 30304

vice 29791

vices 513

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

11076 **2207**<sup>19425</sup> *jj*

2738 **7300**<sup>4791</sup> *ij*

1673 **11143**<sup>2654</sup> *nnb*

1720 **14135**<sup>1866</sup> *rr21*

677 **23674**<sup>829</sup> *nn1*

99 **49674**<sup>226</sup> *np1*