

behead[bɪ'hed] *v*

отрубать голову, обезглавливать; казнить

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behead**be-head** [behead beheads beheaded beheading] *BrE* [bɪ'hed] ^u *NAmE*[bɪ'hed] ^u **verb usually passive ~ sb**

to cut off sb's head, especially as a punishment

Syn: ↑decapitate

- He was charged with treason and beheaded.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	behead
	<i>BrE</i> /bɪ'hed/
	<i>NAmE</i> /bɪ'hed/
he / she / it	beheads
	<i>BrE</i> /bɪ'hedz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /bɪ'hedz/
past simple, past participle	beheaded
	<i>BrE</i> /bɪ'hedɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /bɪ'hedɪd/
-ing form	beheading
	<i>BrE</i> /bɪ'hedɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /bɪ'hedɪŋ/

Word Origin:Old English behēafdian; from ↑be- 'off' (expressing removal) + hēafod, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **hoofd** and German **Haupt**.**behead**

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be-head /bɪ'hed/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u **verb [transitive]**[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑head, ↑heading, ↑overhead, ↑header, ↑headship; **adjective:** ↑overhead, ↑heady, ↑headless, ↑headed; **verb:**↑head, ↑behead; **adverb:** ↑overhead]

to cut off someone's head as a punishment:

- Charles I was beheaded in 1649.

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