

rock

I

[rɒk] *n*

1. скала, утёс

the boat was wrecked on a rock - лодка разбилась о скалу

as firm as a rock - твёрдый как скала

2. *амер.* камень, булыжник

3. горная порода; скальная порода

to build on a rock - *образн.* заложить прочный фундамент, основываться на чём-л. прочномrock decay - *геол.* выветривание породrock excavation - *спец.* скальные работыrock exposure - *геол.* обнажение породы4. причина несчастья, неудачи *или* провалаthe rock on which we split - причина несчастий, крушения надежд *и т. п.*5. рокк (*леденцовая карамель*)6. *обыкн. р/ амер. сл.* деньги

to pile up the rocks - много зарабатывать

7. *сл.* брильянт8. *разг.* кусочек льда (*для напитков*)9. *разг.* глупая ошибка

to pull a rock - сделать промах, допустить оплошность

◇ on the rocks - а) «на мели», без гроша; б) в тяжёлом положении; в) *амер.* со льдом (*о напитке*)

rye on the rocks - виски со льдом

to go /to run/ upon the rocks - а) потерпеть крушение; б) встретить неодолимые препятствия; в) обанкротиться, разориться;

вылететь в трубу

to see rocks ahead - видеть перед собой опасность

the Rock of Ages - *рел.* Христосbetween a rock and a hard place - *амер.* в безвыходном положении

II

1. [rɒk] *n*

качание, колебание; тряска

2. [rɒk] *v*

1. 1) качать, колебать

to rock a cradle - качать колыбель

to rock oneself from side to side - качаться из стороны в сторону

the waves rocked the boat - волны качали лодку

2) качаться, колебаться

the trees rock in the wind - деревья качаются на ветру

2. 1) трясти

2) трястись

the explosion made the whole house rock - от взрыва весь дом зашатался

he rocked with laughter - он затрясся от смеха

3. укачивать, убаюкивать

rock the baby to sleep - убаюкайте ребёнка

to rock a child in a cradle [in one's arms] - укачивать ребёнка в колыбели [на руках]

the movement of the ship rocked us to sleep - мы заснули под слабое покачивание корабля

rocked in security - *образн.* беспечный, не подозревающий об опасности

4. 1) расстраивать, приводить в волнение

2) *разг.* поразить, ошеломить, потрясти

everyone was rocked by the verdict - приговор потряс всех

5. *горн.*

1) промывать в лотке

to rock gravel for gold - мыть золотоносный песок

2) промываться

this ore rocks slowly - такая руда промывается медленно

◇ to rock the boat - вносить разлад, мешать слаженной работе (*коллектива и т. п.*)

III

1. [rɒk] *n*рок (*стиль музыки и танца; тж. rock'n'roll*)2. [rɒk] *a*

в стиле рок

rock music - рок-музыка

rock festival - фестиваль рок-музыки

3. [rɒk] *v*1) исполнять в стиле «рок» (*музыку*)

2) танцевать под рок-музыку

IV

[rɒk] *n арх.*

прялка

rock**rock** [rock rocks rocked rocking] noun, verb BrE [rɒk] ^ˈ NAmE [rɑːk] ^ˈ

noun

HARD MATERIAL

- 1. uncountable, countable** the hard solid material that forms part of the surface of the earth and some other planets
 - They drilled through several layers of rock to reach the oil.
 - a cave with striking **rock formations** (= shapes made naturally from rock)
 - The tunnel was blasted out of solid rock.
 - **volcanic/igneous/sedimentary, etc. rocks**
- 2. countable** a mass of **rock** standing above the earth's surface or in the sea/ocean
 - the Rock of Gibraltar
 - The ship crashed into the infamous Sker Point rocks and broke into three pieces.



- 3. countable** a large single piece of **rock**

- They clambered over the rocks at the foot of the cliff.
- The sign said 'Danger: falling rocks'.

STONE

- 4. countable** (NAmE) a small stone
 - Protesters pelted the soldiers with rocks.

MUSIC

- 5. (also 'rock music) uncountable** a type of loud popular music, developed in the 1960s, with a strong beat played on electric [↑]guitars and drums
 - punk rock
 - a **rock band/star**

SWEET/CANDY

- 6. (BrE) uncountable** a type of hard sweet/candy made in long sticks, often sold in places where people go on holiday/vacation by the sea/ocean
 - a stick of Brighton rock

JEWEL

- 7. countable, usually plural** (NAmE, informal) a [↑]precious stone, especially a diamond

PERSON

- 8. countable, usually singular** a person who is emotionally strong and who you can rely on
 - He is my rock.
- more at** (as) steady as a rock **at** [↑]steady _{adj.}

Word Origin:

n. senses 1 to 4 and n. senses 6 to 7 Middle English Old French **rocque** medieval Latin **rocca**

n. sense 5 and v. late Old English **roccian** Germanic **'remove, move'** Dutch **rukken 'jerk, tug'** German **rücken 'move'**

Culture:

Rock (= the sweet) is usually flavoured with **peppermint** and coloured (usually bright pink) on the outside. In Britain, rock is sold especially in **seaside** towns, and has the name of the town all through the length of the stick on the inside.

See also [↑]Edinburgh rock

Culture:

Rock music developed in the 1960s from [↑]rock and roll. Rock later developed into forms such as [↑]folk rock and [↑]heavy metal.

Thesaurus:

rock noun U, C

- They drilled through several layers of rock to reach the oil.

stone • • **boulder** • • **pebble** •

solid rock/stone

throw a rock/stone/boulder/pebble

Rock or stone? **Rock** U is still a part of the ground; **stone** U has been dug up from the ground:

- houses built of stone

✗ houses built of rock:

- the rock walls of the cave

✗ **the stone walls of the cave** In British English people **throw stones** and a **rock** is sth too big to pick up and throw. In American English **rock** is the usual word for a small piece of rock that you can pick up.

Example Bank:

- A great rock jutted out into the water.
- Ahead the vegetation broke into bare rock.
- Children were looking for crabs in the rock pools.
- Lars taught me to skip rocks.
- Ryan changed the radio to a rock station.
- She was a rock chick through and through.
- Signs warn of the perils of falling rock.
- Solid rock is broken down by weathering.
- The castle is perched on a massive outcrop of rock.
- The path had been blocked by a rock fall.
- The river runs between walls of sheer rock.
- The rocks were slippery as I tried to climb them.
- They used to throw rocks at neighborhood dogs.
- You slept like a rock last night.
- an avalanche of loose rock
- influential rock critics
- one of the biggest bands on the rock circuit
- rocks that formed beneath the sea
- the king of rock and roll
- Demonstrators threw rocks at the police.
- a sea cave with striking rock formations
- volcanic/igneous/sedimentary rocks

Idioms: ↑ **between a rock and a hard place** ▪ ↑ **get your rocks off** ▪ ↑ **on the rocks** ▪ ↑ **rock the boat**

verb

MOVE GENTLY

1. **intransitive, transitive** to move gently backwards and forwards or from side to side; to make sb/sth move in this way

- (+ **adv./prep.**) The boat **rocked from side to side** in the waves.
- She was **rocking backwards and forwards** in her seat.
- ~ **sb/sth (+ adv./prep.)** He rocked the baby gently in his arms.

SHOCK

2. **transitive, often passive** ~ **sb/sth (rather informal)** to shock sb/sth very much or make them afraid

- The country was rocked by a series of political scandals.
- The news rocked the world.

SHAKE

3. **intransitive, transitive** to shake or to make sth shake violently

- The house rocked when the bomb exploded.
- ~ **sth** The town was rocked by an earthquake.
- (figurative) The scandal rocked the government (= made the situation difficult for it) .

DANCE

4. **intransitive (old-fashioned)** to dance to rock music

BE GOOD

5. **sth rocks intransitive (slang)** used to say that sth is very good

- Her new movie rocks!

more at shake/rock the foundations of sthshake/rock sth to its foundations **at** ↑ **foundation**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	rock
	BrE /rɒk/
	NAmE /rɑ:k/
he / she /it	rocks
	BrE /rɒks/
	NAmE /rɑ:ks/
past simple, past participle	rocked
	BrE /rɒkt/
	NAmE /rɑ:kt/
-ing form	rocking
	BrE /rɒkɪŋ/
	NAmE /rɑ:kɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- He rocked back and forth in his chair.
- She gently rocked the baby in her arms.
- The boat rocked slightly.
- The boat rocked violently in the huge waves.
- The boat rocked from side to side on the water.
- The raft was rocked by a huge wave.
- The whole house rocked when the bomb exploded.
- They had only a few minutes to get out before the blast rocked their houses.

See also: ↑rock music

rock

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I. **rock**¹ **S2 W2** /rɒk \$ rɑ:k BrE^u AmE^u *noun*

[Sense 1, 3-10: Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old North French; Origin: roque, from Vulgar Latin rocca]

[Sense 2: Date: 1900-2000; Origin: ⇒ ↑rock²]



1. STONE

a) [uncountable] the hard substance that forms the main surface of the Earth ⇒ **stone**:

- To build the tunnel, they had to cut through 500 feet of solid rock.
- Most of the country is desert and bare rock.
- massive rock formations (=shapes made naturally from rock)
- ancient dark volcanic rock

b) [countable] a piece of rock, especially a large one that sticks up from the ground:

- Jack stood on a rock for a better view.
- During the storm a ship had been driven onto the rocks (=a line of rocks under or next to the sea).

2. MUSIC [uncountable] (also **rock music**) a type of popular modern music with a strong loud beat, played using ↑guitars and drums

rock band/group

- Komuro formed a rock band with some friends while in college.
- the late rock star, Freddie Mercury
- The stadium has hosted numerous rock concerts. ⇒ ↑hard rock, ⇒ punk rock at ↑punk(1)

3. (as) solid/steady as a rock

a) very strongly built or well supported and not likely to break or fall:

- a large sofa, solid as a rock

b) someone who is as solid or steady as a rock is very strong and calm in difficult situations and you can depend on them ⇒

↑rock-solid

4. [singular] someone who always gives you support and who you can depend on:

- My sister has always been my rock.

5. be on the rocks *informal* a relationship or business that is on the rocks is having a lot of problems and is likely to fail soon **SYN in trouble**:

- I'm afraid Tim's marriage is on the rocks.

6. scotch/vodka etc on the rocks *informal* an alcoholic drink that is served with ice but no water

7. SWEET FOOD [uncountable] *British English* a hard sweet made in long round pieces:

- a stick of rock

8. DRUG

a) [uncountable] a very pure form of the illegal drug ↑cocaine that some people use for pleasure

b) [countable] a small amount of this drug

9. be (stuck) between a rock and a hard place to have a choice between two things, both of which are unpleasant or dangerous

10. get your rocks off *informal not polite* if a man gets his rocks off, he has sex

11. JEWEL [countable usually plural] *old-fashioned informal* a ↑diamond or other jewel

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COLLOCATIONS

■ **adjectives**

- **solid rock** Steps had been carved out of the solid rock.
- **bare rock** (=not covered by soil) Here there was only bare rock and gravel.
- **volcanic rock** The fossils are sandwiched between two layers of volcanic rock.
- **molten rock** (=rock that is so hot it is liquid) Molten rock flowed into these cracks.

rock + NOUN

- **a rock formation** There are marvellous views of impressive rock formations.

verbs

- **rock forms/is formed** From the texture of the rock we can tell how it was formed.
- **something erodes rock** (=it gradually removes the surface of the rock) Rainwater drained away, forming streams and rivers that began to erode the rock.
- **rock erodes (away)** (=its surface is gradually removed because of the action of water, wind etc) The rocks had eroded away over the years.

phrases

- **a lump/piece of rock** His leg was trapped under a large lump of rock.
- **a layer of rock** You can see six layers of rock in the cliff.
- **an outcrop of rock** (=a mass of rock that sticks up above the ground) The gulls nested on a outcrop of rock.

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THESAURUS

- **rock** a piece of the hard substance that forms the main surface of the Earth. In British English, **rocks** are too large to pick up, but in American English, they can either be large or small: the rocks along the riverbanks
- **stone** a small piece of rock, found on the ground or near the surface of the ground. Speakers of American English are more likely to use the word **rock** than **stone**: The children were throwing stones into the water.
- **boulder** a large round piece of rock: She climbed over a few boulders at the edge of the sea.
- **pebble** a small smooth stone found especially on a beach or on the bottom of a river: The beach was covered with smooth white pebbles.
- **fossil** a rock which has the shape of an animal or plant that lived many thousands of years ago: fossils of early reptiles

II. rock² BrE^{*} AmE^{*} verb

[Language: Old English; Origin: roccian]

1. [intransitive and transitive] to move gently backwards and forwards or from side to side, or to make something do this ⇒ **sway**:

- She covered her face, rocking to and fro in her grief.
- The waves rocked the boat from side to side.
- Paul sat gently rocking the child in his arms.
- Jim rocked with laughter when he heard what had happened.

2. [transitive]

- a) to make the people in a place or organization feel very shocked – used in news reports **SYN** shake:

- The scandal rocked the nation.

- b) to make the future of something seem less certain or steady than it was before, especially because of problems or changes **SYN** shake:

- Another financial blow has rocked the industry.
- The theory rocked the foundations of social and moral life.

3. **rock the boat** *informal* to cause problems for other members of a group by criticizing something or trying to change the way something is done:

- He kept his feelings to himself, not wanting to rock the boat.

4. [transitive] if an explosion or ↑earthquake rocks an area, it makes it shake:

- Residents had only a few minutes to escape before the blast rocked their houses.

5. **somebody/something rocks spoken informal** said to show that you strongly approve of someone or something

6. **rock sb's world informal** to cause someone to think about something or someone in a completely new way

rock

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