

swab

1. [swɒb] *n*
 - 1) 1) швабра
 - 2) ёжик, помело (*трубочиста*)
 2. *мед.*
 - 1) тампон
 - 2) мазок
to take a swab - брать мазок
 3. помазок
 4. *воен.* банник; щётка банника
 5. *мор. жарг.*
 - 1) офицерский погон
 - 2) офицер
 6. *разг.* увалень
 7. *сл.* моряк
2. [swɒb] *v*
 1. мыть шваброй
to swab (down) the decks - *мор.* драить палубы
the place was freshly swabbed out and disinfected - в помещении только что была произведена мокрая уборка и дезинфекция
 2. подтирать, вытирать (*мж.* swab up)
 3. *мед.*
 - 1) вытирать тампоном (*мж.* swab out)
 - 2) наносить тампоном
to swab the wound with iodine - смазать рану йодом

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swab [swab swabs swabbed swabbing] *noun, verb* BrE [swɒb] ^ˈ NAmE

[swɑːb]

noun

1. a piece of soft material used by a doctor, nurse, etc. for cleaning wounds or taking a sample from sb's body for testing
2. an act of taking a sample from sb's body, with a **swab**
 - to take a throat swab

Word Origin:

mid 17th cent. (in the sense 'mop for cleaning the decks'): back-formation from swabber 'sailor detailed to swab decks', from early modern Dutch **zwabber**, from a Germanic base meaning 'splash' or 'sway'.

verb (-bb-)

1. ~ **sth** to clean or remove liquid from a wound, etc, using a ↑swab
2. ~ **sth (down)** to clean or wash a floor, surface, etc. using water and a cloth, etc.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	swab
	BrE /swɒb/
	NAmE /swɑːb/
he / she / it	swabs
	BrE /swɒbz/
	NAmE /swɑːbz/
past simple, past participle	swabbed
	BrE /swɒbd/
	NAmE /swɑːbd/
-ing form	swabbing
	BrE /swɒbɪŋ/
	NAmE /swɑːbɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- I swabbed down the table using disinfectant.
- Swab each nail free of grease before applying nail polish.

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1. **swab** ¹ /swɒb \$ swɑːb BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Origin: Probably from early Dutch swabbe]

1. a small piece of material used to clean a wound or take a small amount of a substance from someone's body in order to test it:
 - a cotton swab
2. a small amount of a substance that is taken from someone's body with a swab in order to test it:
 - The doctor took a throat swab to check for infection.

ii. **swab**² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *verb* (past tense and past participle **swabbed**, present participle **swabbing**) [transitive]

1. (also **swab something** ↔ **down**) to clean something using a large amount of water:

▪ a girl who was swabbing the tiled floor with a mop

2. to clean a wound with a small piece of special material

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RANGE: **11k** **SWAB**⁹⁵²

swab⁴³⁸

swabbed¹⁵²

swabbing¹⁰⁴

swabs²⁵⁸

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