blemish

1. [ˈblemɪʃ] *n*
  1. 1) недостаток
    without blemish - совершенный, безукоризненный, непорочный
    to find a blemish in smth. - находить в чём-л. недостатки
  2) пятно, шрам *и т. п.*
  3) *тех.* поверхностный порок
  4) крап (*на фотоплёнке*)
  2. позор
    a name without blemish - незапятнанное имя
2. [ˈblemɪʃ] *v*
  1. портить
  2. пятнать, позорить

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blem·ish [**blemish blemishes blemished blemishing**] noun, verb *BrE* [ˈblemɪʃ]
  NAmE [ˈblemɪʃ]

noun
  a mark on the skin or on an object that spoils it and makes it look less beautiful or perfect
    • make-up to cover blemishes
    • (figurative) His reputation is without a blemish.

  Word Origin:
  late Middle English (as a verb): from Old French ble(s)miss-, lengthened stem of ble(s)mir **'make pale, injure'** ; probably of Germanic origin.

  Example Bank:
    • He was pilloried, but she escaped without blemish.
    • The police say the suspect has a slight blemish on his left cheek.
    • There wasn't a single blemish on his skin.
    • Cover up unsightly blemishes with our new liquid make-up.
    • Her skin didn't have a single blemish.

verb usually passive **~ sth** (formal)
  to spoil sth that is beautiful or perfect in all other ways
  Verb forms:

present simple	
I / you / we /they	blemish
	BrE /ˈblemɪʃ/
	NAmE /ˈblemɪʃ/
he / she /it	blemishes
	BrE /ˈblemɪʃɪz/
	NAmE /ˈblemɪʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	blemished
	BrE /ˈblemɪʃt/
	NAmE /ˈblemɪʃt/
-ing form	blemishing
	BrE /ˈblemɪʃɪŋ/
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  a small mark, especially a mark on someone's skin or on the surface of an object, that spoils its appearance
    • • •
  THESAURUS
  ■**a mark on your skin**
    ▪ **blemish** a mark on your skin that spoils its appearance: John grew a beard to hide the blemishes on his chin.
    ▪ **mole** a small dark, sometimes raised, mark on your skin: Some moles may become cancerous. | Helena found a mole on her arm which had definitely not been there before.
    ▪ **freckles** small light brown marks on your skin, especially on your face but also on your arms, shoulders etc: She had a light sprinkling of freckles across her nose.
    ▪ **birthmark** a permanent mark on your skin that you have had since you were born: There was a small birthmark on her left cheek.
    ▪ **bruise** a purple or brown mark on your skin that you get because you have fallen or been hit: Her legs were covered in cuts and bruises.
    ▪ **scar** a permanent mark on your skin, caused by a cut or by something that burns you: The injury left a small scar on his forehead.

- **pimple** /**zit** (*also* **spot** *British English*) a small raised red mark or lump on your skin, which usually appears when a child is between 12 and 18 years old: When I was a teenager I had terrible spots. | The boy had a few pimples under his chin.
- **wart** a small hard raised mark on your skin caused by a virus: His face was covered in hairy warts.
- **blister** a small area of skin that is swollen and full of liquid because it has been rubbed or burned: There was a blister on his arm where the boiling milk had splashed him.
- **rash** an area of small red spots on your skin, caused by an illness or an ↑allergy: I can't eat strawberries - they give me a rash.

II. blemish[2] *BrE* ▫ *AmE* ▫ *verb* [transitive often passive]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: blemir *'to make pale, injure'*]

to spoil the beauty or appearance of something, so that it is not perfect ⇨ **unblemished**

—**blemished** *adjective*

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