

**branch****1. [brɑːntʃ] n**

1. 1) ветка (*дерева*)
- 2) *шутл.* ребёнок, отпрыск
2. отрасль (*промышленности, науки и т. п.*)  
branch of learning - отрасль знания  
pathology is a branch of medicine - патология - один из разделов медицины
3. филиал отделение  
branch establishment - филиал отделение  
branch post-office - (местное) почтовое отделение  
branch bank - отделение банка  
a neighbourhood branch of the city library - соседнее /ближайшее/ отделение городской библиотеки
4. линия, ветвь (*родства*)  
English is a branch of the Germanic family of languages - английский язык - ветвь германской языковой группы
5. 1) рукав (*реки*)
- 2) *амер.* приток, ручей
- 3) ответвление (*дороги и т. п.*)  
branch line - железнодорожная ветка  
branch circuit - *эл.* ответвлённая цепь
- 4) отрог (*горной цепи*)
- 5) *геол.* крыло (*складки*)
6. *воен.*
- 1) род войск; служба (*тж.* branch of the service)
- 2) *амер.* отдел, отделение (*в штабе*)
7. (Branch) *амер. полит.* власть (*тж.* Branch of Government)  
the Executive Branch - исполнительная власть; президент и его правительство  
the Judicial Branch - судебная власть; судебные органы  
the Legislative Branch - законодательная власть; законодательный орган, конгресс
8. *тех.* отвод; тройник  
branch pipe - патрубок
9. *вчт.* ветвь (*дерева, программы*)
10. *вчт.* переход, операция перехода  
branch instruction - команда перехода  
◇ to hold out the olive branch - делать мирные предложения, стараться уладить дело миром

**2. [brɑːntʃ] v**

1. раскидывать ветви (*тж.* branch forth, branch out)
2. 1) разветвляться, расходиться (*тж.* branch off, branch away, branch out)  
the road branches here - здесь дорога разветвляется
- 2) сделать ответвление (*коммуникации и т. п.*; *тж.* branch off)
- 3) быть порождением; возникать из чего-л.  
poetry that branched from Baudelaire - направление в поэзии, вызванное к жизни Бодлером
3. вышивать узор из цветов, веток, листьев

**branch**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**branch** [branch branches branched branching] noun, verb BrE [brɑːntʃ]

NAme [bræntʃ]

noun

**OF TREE**

1. a part of a tree that grows out from the main ↑stem and on which leaves, flowers and fruit grow
  - She climbed the tree and hid in the branches.

**OF COMPANY**

2. a local office or shop/store belonging to a large company or organization
  - The bank has branches all over the country.
  - Our New York branch is dealing with the matter.

**OF GOVERNMENT**

3. a part of a government or other large organization that deals with one particular aspect of its work

**Syn:** ↑department

- the anti-terrorist branch

**OF KNOWLEDGE**

4. a division of an area of knowledge or a group of languages
  - the branch of computer science known as 'artificial intelligence'

**OF RIVER/ROAD**

5. a smaller or less important part of a river, road, railway/railroad, etc. that leads away from the main part
  - a branch of the Rhine

- a **branch line** (= a small line off a main railway line, often in country areas)

## OF FAMILY

6. a group of members of a family who all have the same **↑ancestors**

- My uncle's branch of the family emigrated to Canada.

**see** root and branch **at** **↑root** n.

### Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **branche**, from late Latin **branca** 'paw'.

### Thesaurus:

**branch** **noun** **C**

- Contact our New York branch.

**department** • • **division** • • **unit** • • **section** • • **arm** •

an **administrative** branch/department/division/section/arm

a **regional** branch/department/division/unit

### Example Bank:

- The store is opening more local branches.
- the bare branches of a tree in winter
- Quantum analysis is a branch of statistics.
- Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch swung into action.
- The aim is to bring together researchers from different branches of geography.

**Derived** **↑branch off** • **↑branch out**

## verb intransitive

to divide into two or more parts, especially smaller or less important parts

- The accident happened where the road branches.

### Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	branch
	BrE /brɑːntʃ/
	NAme /bræntʃ/
he / she / it	branches
	BrE /brɑːntʃɪz/
	NAme /bræntʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	branched
	BrE /brɑːntʃt/
	NAme /bræntʃt/
-ing form	branching
	BrE /brɑːntʃɪŋ/
	NAme /bræntʃɪŋ/

### Word Origin:

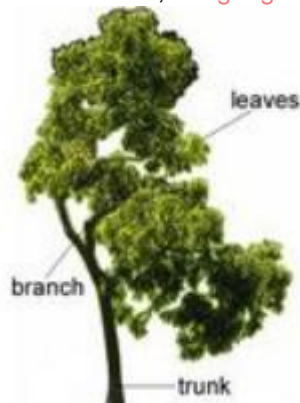
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1. **branch** <sup>1</sup> **S2 W2** /brɑːntʃ/ bræntʃ/ **BrE** <sup>2</sup> **AmE** <sup>2</sup> **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: branche, from Late Latin branca 'animal's foot']



1. **OF A TREE** a part of a tree that grows out from the **↑trunk** (=main stem) and that has leaves, fruit, or smaller branches growing from it ⇒ **limb**:

- After the storm, the ground was littered with twigs and branches.
- The **topmost** **branches** were full of birds.

2. **OF A BUSINESS/SHOP/COMPANY ETC** a local business, shop etc that is part of a larger business etc:

- The bank has branches all over the country.
- a **branch office** in Boston
- She now works in our Denver **branch**.

Where's their nearest branch?

They're planning to open a branch in St. Louis next year.

Have you met our branch manager, Mr. Carlson?

**3. OF GOVERNMENT** a part of a government or other organization that deals with one particular part of its work ⇒ **department** :

All branches of government are having to cut costs.

**the executive/judicial/legislative branch** (=the three main parts of the US government)

**4. OF A SUBJECT** one part of a large subject of study or knowledge ⇒ **field**

a branch of mathematics/physics/biology etc

**5. OF A FAMILY** a group of members of a family who all have the same ↑ancestors ⇒ **side**:

the wealthy South American branch of the family

**6. OF A RIVER/ROAD ETC** a smaller less important part of a river, road, or railway that leads away from the larger more important part of it:

The rail company may have to close the branch line to Uckfield.

**II. branch** <sup>2</sup> *BrE* <sup>2</sup> *AmE* <sup>2</sup> *verb* [intransitive]

to divide into two or more smaller, narrower, or less important parts ⇒ **fork**:

When you reach the village green, the street branches into two.

**branch off** *phrasal verb*

1. if a road, passage, railway etc branches off from another road etc, it separates from it and goes in a different direction **SYN fork off**

**branch off from**

a passage branching off from the main tunnel

2. *British English* to leave a main road **SYN fork off**

**branch off from/into**

We branched off from the main road and turned down a country lane.

3. to start talking about something different from what you were talking about before

**branch off into**

Then the conversation branched off into a discussion about movies.

**branch out** *phrasal verb*

to start doing something different from the work or activities that you normally do:

Don't be afraid to branch out and try something new.

**branch out into (doing) something**

Profits were falling until the bookstore branched out into selling CDs.

## branch

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