

waterworks['wɔ:təwz:ks] *n pl*

1. 1) система водоснабжения
- 2) водопроводная станция
- 3) гидротехнические сооружения
2. 1) фонтан
- 2) *сл.* слёзы, плач
- to turn on the waterworks - заливаться слезами
3. *анат.* проводящие сосуды
4. *мед. жарг.* почки

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

water-works [waterworks] *BrE* ['wɔ:təwɔ:kz] *NAmE* ['wɔ:tərwɔ:kz] *NAmE*['wɔ:tərwɔ:kz] *noun* (pl. **water-works**)

1. **countable + singular or plural verb** a building with machinery for supplying water to an area
2. **plural** (informal or humorous) the organs of the body through which ↑**urine** (= waste water) is passed

Idiom: ↑turn on the waterworks**waterworks**

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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1. the system of pipes and water supplies in a town or city
2. a building in which water is cleaned and then pumped to houses, buildings etc
3. **turn on the waterworks** *informal* to start crying in order to get sympathy:
" 'Don't turn on the waterworks,' he sighed.
4. *informal* the organs in your body through which ↑**urine** (=liquid waste) is removed

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