## beginning

## 1. [bi'giniŋ] n

## 1. начало

beginning of the press - *спорт.* начало жима beginning of a stroke - *спорт.* занос, начало гребка to read a book from beginning to end - прочитать книгу от начала до конца it is important to make a good beginning - важно хорошо начать

## 2. 1) исходная точка; источник, происхождение

## 2) pl истоки; начальная стадия

the beginnings of scientific agriculture - первые шаги сельскохозяйственной науки the beginnings of English poetry - истоки английской поэзии

## 3. (the beginning) рел. первопричина; начало всех начал

⊘ a good beginning is half the battle - посл. хорошее начало полдела откачало a bad beginning makes a bad ending - посл. плохое начало - плохой и конец

## 2. [bi'giniŋ] a

начальный, вводный

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## be gin ning [beginning beginnings] BrE [bi'gInIn] NAmE [bi'gInIn] noun

- 1. countable, usually singular ~ (of sth) the time when sth starts; the first part of an event, a story, etc
- We're going to Japan at the beginning of July.
- $\bullet$  She's been working there since the beginning of last summer.
- We missed the beginning of the movie.
- Let's start again from the beginning .
- The birth of their first child marked the beginning of a new era in their married life.
- I 'vread the whole book from beginning to end and still can't understand it. At the beginning (of) is used for the time and place when something begins. In the beginning = at first and suggests a contrast with a later situation.
- 2. beginnings plural the first or early ideas, signs or stages of sth
  - Did democracy have its beginnings in ancient Greece?
- He built up his multimillion-pound music business from small beginnings .
- I diom beginning of the end

### Thesaurus:

## beginning noun

- 1. usually sing.
- the beginning of July/the movie

start • • opening • • birth • |formal outset • • onset • |literary dawn • |(in football) kick-off •

### Opp: end, Opp: ending

- at the beginning/start/opening/outset/onset/birth/dawn (of sth)
- in the beginning

### from the (very) beginning/start/outset

### Beginning or start? Compare:

- We missed the beginning of the movie (= the first few scenes).
- We'll miss the start of the game (= the moment when it starts; the kick-off).
- from start to finish
- · from beginning to end
- \* from start to end

### *x* from beginning to finish

- :
  - the beginning/start of the day/week/year/century/a new era
  - at the beginning of July/summer /the 90s
- ✗ at the start of July/summer/the 90s:
- I want to make an early start

### ✗ I want to make an early beginning.

### 2. beginnings pl.

• From these small beginnings it grew into the vast company we know today.

## origin/origins • • source • • root • • starting point •

## Opp: end, Opp: ending

have its beginnings/origin/source/roots in sth from these/this beginnings/source/starting point

## Example Bank:

- From these small beginnings it grew into the vast company we know today.
- I disliked her from the very beginning.
- I 'mpaid at the beginning of each month.
- I the beginning I found the course very difficult.
- I was an auspicious beginning to his long career.
- She spoke of a new beginning for the nation.

- Tell me the whole story, right from the beginning.
- That day was the beginning of the end of our friendship.
- The play was nonsense from beginning to end.
- The society had its early beginnings in discussion groups.
- These changes are just the beginning: much more is to come.
- This invention marked the beginning of the modern age.
- a custom that traces its beginnings to the 15th century
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be gin ning S1 W2 /b1'gInIn/ BrE AmE noun [countable usually singular]

## [Word Family: noun: <sup>†</sup>beginner, <sup>†</sup>beginning; verb <sup>†</sup>begin]

# 1. the start or first part of an event, story, period of time etc beginning of

- She's been here <u>since the beginning</u> of the year.
- There's a short poem <u>at the beginning</u> of every chapter.
- From the beginning of my career as a journalist, I 'vbeen writing about gender issues.
- I thought he loved me; perhaps he did in the beginning.
- That chance meeting <u>marked the beginning</u> of a long and happy relationship.
- This is just the beginning of a new and different life for you.
- I said he would cause trouble, right from the beginning.
- I opposed it from the very beginning.
- The whole trip was a disaster from beginning to end.
- I feel like I 'vbeen offered a new beginning.
- Could we start at the beginning? Tell me where you first met him.
- 2. beginnings [plural] the early signs or stages of something that later develops into something bigger or more important beginnings of
  - I think I have the beginnings of a cold.

## from humble/small beginnings

He rose from humble beginnings to great wealth.

3. the beginning of the end the time when something good starts to end

## COLLOCATIONS

### OLLOCATIONS

adjectives

a new beginning The country needed a new government and a new beginning.

## verbs

• mark the beginning of something (also signal/herald the beginning of something) (=show that something is starting to happen) This event marked the beginning of a ten-year worldwide depression.

• see the beginning of something (=be the time when something important starts to happen) The 1970s saw the beginning of a technological revolution.

### phrases

• right at/from the beginning (=used for emphasis) That's what I suggested right at the beginning.

• at/from the very beginning (=used for emphasis) He had been lying to me from the very beginning.

• start at the beginning (=start a story or activity at the first part) Just start at the beginning and tell us exactly what happened.

• from beginning to end The whole project was full of problems from beginning to end.

• something is just/only the beginning (=used to emphasize that many more things will happen) Signing the contract is just the beginning of a long process.

## THESAURUS

• beginning the first part of something such as a story, event, or period of time: The beginning of the movie is very violent. | Let's go back to the beginning.

start the beginning of something, or the way something begins: Tomorrow marks the start of the presidential election campaign.
I was not a good start to the day.

- commencement *formal* the beginning of something – used especially in official contexts: the commencement of the academic year | the commencement of the contract

• origin the point from which something starts to exist: He wrote a book about the origins of the universe. | The tradition has its origins in medieval times.

• the onset of something the time when something bad begins, such as illness, old age, or cold weather: the onset of winter | An active lifestyle can delay the onset of many diseases common to aging.

• dawn *literary* the beginning of an important period of time in history: People have worshipped gods since the dawn of civilization.

• birth the beginning of something important that will change many people's lives: the birth of democracy in South Africa | the birth

of the environmental movement

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