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1. [spi:d] *n*
- 1) скорость; быстрота, темп; скорость хода
 climbing speed - **ав.** скорость набора высоты, скороподъёмность
 speed of utterance - темп речи
 at average[at great, at top] speed - на средней [на большой, на предельной] скорости
 at full speed - полным ходом, на полной скорости
 at reckless speed - с бешеной скоростью
 with all speed - поспешно
 at /with/ lightning speed - с быстротой молнии, молниеносно
 full speed ahead - **мор.** полный ход вперёд
 to put on speed - прибавить скорость; прибавить ходу
 he put all his speed into the attempt to reach the ball - он нёсся к мячу с быстротой на какую был способен
 - 2) **физ.** скорость
 escape speed - вторая космическая скорость
 sonic speed - звуковая скорость (*движения*)
 sound speed - скорость (распространения) звука
 supersonic speed - сверхзвуковая скорость
 subsonic speed - дозвуковая скорость
 2. **тех.** число оборотов
 3. **авт.** передача
 first [second] speed - а) первая [вторая] передача; б) скорость на первой [второй] передаче; to put in the first [the second] speed - **разг.** включить первую [вторую] скорость
 4. **спец.** быстродействие, скорость работы
 5. **фото** светосила (*объектива*); светочувствительность (*плёнки*)
 6. **арх.** успех, удача; выгода
 to wish good speed - желать успеха /удачи/
 ◇ more haste, less speed - ≅ тише едешь, дальше будешь
2. [spi:d] *v* (*sped, speeded* [-{spi:d}id])
- 1) быстро проходить, проноситься; быстро пролетать, мчаться
 to speed off /away/ - поспешно удалиться; поспешить прочь
 to speed away back to town - умчаться обратно в город
 an arrow sped past - мимо пролетела стрела
 the car sped along the road - машина мчалась по дороге
 the years sped by - проносились годы, быстро летели годы
 the news sped swiftly over the country - сообщение быстро облетело всю страну
 - 2) превышать дозволённую скорость
 he was fined for speeding - его оштрафовали за превышение скорости
 - 3) **книжн.** быстро идти
 to speed one's way somewhere - поспешно направляться /спешить/ куда-л.
 he sped down the street - он быстро шёл по улице
 2. 1) спешить, торопиться
 to speed through a task - а) быстро разделаться с заданием; б) выполнить работу наспех
 he took a car and sped to the village - он взял машину и бросился /попешил/ в деревню
 - 2) торопить, поторапливать
 to speed one's horse - погонять лошадь
 to speed oneself - торопиться, спешить
 3. ускорять; увеличивать, набирать скорость (**тж.** speed up)
 to speed up the tempo - ускорять темп
 to speed one's step - ускорить шаг
 to speed the work - (начать) работать быстрее, ускорить работу
 4. 1) увеличивать число оборотов, скорость *и т. п.* (**тж.** speed up)
 to speed an engine - разгонять машину
 - 2) устанавливать, регулировать скорость
 to speed a machine - придавать машине определённую скорость
 5. быстро отсылать, отправлять
 speed us away to battle - отправьте нас скорее в бой
 he sped his last arrow - он послал свою последнюю стрелу
 6. способствовать (*чему-л.*); успешно вести (*дела, переговоры и т. п.*)
 7. **арх.**
- 1) преуспевать, процветать
 speed! - да сопутствует вам /тебе/ удача!
 how have you sped? - как успехи?
 - 2) помогать (*кому-л.*), содействовать (*чьему-л.*) успеху
 - 3) желать счастливого пути *или* удачи
 to speed the going /the parting/ guest - распрощаться с гостем; пожелать счастливого пути уходящему гостю

[spi:d] *n сл.*

«спид» (наркотик из группы стимуляторов)

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speed
speed [speed speeds sped speeded speeding] *noun, verb* BrE [spi:ɪd] NAmE
[spi:ɪd]
noun

RATE OF MOVEMENT/ACTION

1. countable, uncountable the rate at which sb/sth moves or travels

- He reduced speed and turned sharp left.
- The train began to **pick up speed** (= go faster) .
- The car was **gathering speed** .
- a **speed** of 50 mph/80 kph
- at **high/low/full/top speed**
- **at breakneck speed** (= fast in a way that is dangerous)
- travelling at **the speed of light/sound**
- There are speed restrictions on this road.
- Increasing your walking speed will help to exercise your heart.

see also ↑airspeed, ↑ground speed

2. countable, uncountable the rate at which sth happens or is done

- the processing speed of the computer
- This course is designed so that students can progress at their own speed.
- We aim to increase the speed of delivery (= how quickly goods are sent) .

3. uncountable the quality of being quick or rapid

- The accident was due to excessive speed.
- Speed is his greatest asset as a tennis player.
- She was overtaken by the **speed of events** (= things happened more quickly than she expected) .
- (formal) A car flashed past them **at speed** (= fast) .

IN PHOTOGRAPHY

4. countable a measurement of how sensitive film for cameras, etc. is to light

5. countable the time taken by a camera ↑shutter to open and close

- shutter speeds

ON BICYCLE/CAR

6. countable (especially in compounds) a gear on a bicycle, in a car, etc

- a four-speed gearbox
- a ten-speed mountain bike

DRUG

7. uncountable (informal) an illegal ↑amphetamine drug that is taken to give feelings of excitement and energy

more at more haste less speed **at** ↑haste, a turn of speed **at** ↑turn *n.*

Word Origin:

Old English spēd (noun), spēdan (verb), from the Germanic base of Old English spōwan 'prosper, succeed', a sense reflected in early usage.

Thesaurus:

speed *noun*

1. C, U

- Students can progress at their own speed.

rate • • **pace** • • **momentum** • |written **tempo** •

at a... speed/rate/pace

increase the speed/rate/pace/momentum/tempo

gain/lose/pick up speed/momentum

a **change** of speed/pace/tempo

2. U

- The accident was due to excessive speed.

rapidity • |formal **haste** • |technical formal **velocity** •

increasing speed/rapidity/velocity

alarming/amazing/bewildering/remarkable speed/rapidity

reckless speed/haste

Example Bank:

- 90% of car accidents involve excess speed.
- Business is moving at warp speed.
- Concorde crossed the Atlantic at twice the speed of sound.

- For a small car it has a good turn of speed.
- He drove us to the hospital at breakneck speed.
- He set a new land speed record in this car.
- He was running at full speed when a tendon snapped in his leg.
- He was traveling at a high rate of speed.
- Hedgehogs, though small, can move with surprising speed.
- Motorists are asked to reduce their speed in wet conditions.
- Radio waves travel at the speed of light.
- The Greek runner produced an electrifying burst of speed over the last 50 metres.
- The Kenyan runner put on a sudden burst of speed over the last 50 yards.
- The boat can be brought to a stop from full speed ahead within her own length.
- The boat maintained a steady speed while the sea was calm.
- The camera will choose a fast shutter speed.
- The car reaches a speed of 60 miles per hour within five seconds.
- The car was moving at speed when the accident happened.
- The glacier moves at an average speed of about six feet per day.
- The machinery is regulated to a safe running speed.
- The new houses have been built with astonishing speed.
- The ships have a maximum speed of 18 knots.
- The train pulled out of the station, slowly gathering speed.
- We offer subscribers a download speed of 8 MB.
- a significant increase in speed
- at lightning speed
- jets flying at supersonic speed
- measures to curb the speed of cars travelling through the village
- the increase in processor speeds for home computers
- He came down the hill at breakneck speed.
- She reduced speed before turning the corner.
- She was overtaken by the speed of events.
- The car flashed past them at speed.
- The classes are designed to let students progress at their own speed.
- The train began to pick up speed.
- We aim to increase the speed of delivery.
- We travelled at an average speed of about 80 kph.
- at full/top speed

Idioms: ↑full speed ahead ▪ ↑up to speed

Derived ↑speed something up ▪ ↑speed up

verb (speed·ed, speed·ed In senses 1 and 2 **sped** is also used for the past tense and past participle.)

MOVE/HAPPEN QUICKLY

1. intransitive + adv./prep. (formal) to move along quickly

- The car sped along the road towards the village.
- He sped away on his bike.
- They sped off to get help.

2. transitive ~ sb/sth + adv./prep. (formal) to take sb/sth somewhere very quickly, especially in a vehicle

- The cab speeded them into the centre of the city.

3. transitive ~ sth (formal) to make sth happen more quickly

- The drugs will speed her recovery.

DRIVE TOO FAST

4. intransitive (usually used in the progressive tenses) to drive faster than the speed that is legally allowed

- The police caught him speeding.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	speed
	BrE /spi:d/
	NAme /spi:d/
he / she / it	speeds
	BrE /spi:dz/
	NAme /spi:dz/
past simple, past participle	speeded
	BrE /'spɪ:dɪd/
	NAme /'spɪ:dɪd/
-ing form	speeding
	BrE /'spɪ:dɪŋ/
	NAme /'spɪ:dɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- He couldn't hear the car that was speeding towards him.
- I sped back to her house as fast as I could, but she had already gone.
- Jock sped away on his bike.
- More is needed to speed the development of a safe and effective vaccine.
- The daring new technique dramatically speeded up the construction process.

speed

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I. **speed**¹ **S2 W1** /spiːd BrE^ˈ AmE^ˈ noun

[Word Family: noun: ↑speed, ↑speeding; verb: ↑speed; adverb: ↑speedily; adjective: ↑speedy]

[Language: Old English; Origin: sped 'success, quickness']

1. **OF MOVEMENT** [uncountable and countable] the rate at which something moves or travels:

• The truck was travelling at a speed of 50 mph.

• particles that travel at the speed of light.

REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually talk about how **fast** something or someone is rather than using the noun **speed**:

• *What speed was he going?* → *How fast was he going?*

2. **OF ACTION** [uncountable and countable] the rate at which something happens or is done

speed of

• the speed of change within the industry

• a high-speed computer

• The population was growing at great speed.

3. **FAST** [uncountable] the quality of being fast:

• The women's basketball team has talent, speed, and power.

with speed

• She acted with speed and efficiency.

at speed *British English*:

• a van travelling at speed

4. **PHOTOGRAPHY** [countable]

a) the degree to which photographic film is sensitive to light

b) the time it takes for a camera **shutter** to open and close:

• a shutter speed of 1/250 second

5. **DRUG** [uncountable] *informal* an illegal drug that makes you very active **SYN** amphetamine

6. **five-speed/ten-speed etc** having five, ten etc **gears**:

• a ten-speed bike

7. **up to speed** having the latest information or knowledge about something:

• Some school officials are only now getting up to speed regarding computers.

• John will bring you up to speed (=tell you the latest information).

⇒ **full speed/steam ahead** at **full**¹(18)

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1 & 2)

■ verbs

- **increase your speed** He increased his speed until he was running flat out.
- **gain/gather/pick up speed** (=go faster) The Mercedes was gradually picking up speed.
- **reach a speed** The trains will reach speeds of 140 mph.
- **maintain a speed** (=keep the same speed) The aircraft is designed to maintain a steady speed.
- **reduce speed** (=slow down deliberately) She reduced speed as she approached the village.
- **lose speed** (=slow down without wanting to) The engine made a strange sound and we lost speed.

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + speed

- **an average speed** Our averagespeed was 88 mph.
- **a constant/steady speed** The disc revolves at a constant speed.
- **a top/maximum speed** (=the highest possible) The car has a top speed of 132 mph.
- **wind speed** (=the speed of the wind) The average wind speed will be about 14 knots.
- **air speed** (=the speed of a plane in relation to the air around it)

■ phrases

- **at high/great speed** The train was travelling at high speed.
- **at low/slow speed** Even at low speed, an accident could mean serious injury for a child.
- **at full speed** (=running, driving etc as fast as possible) He ran past us at full speed.
- **at/with lightning speed** (=very quickly) He moved with his usual lightning speed.
- **at breakneck speed** (=very quickly) He drove away at breakneck speed.

■ speed + NOUN

- **a speed limit** The speed limit is 40 mph here.
- **a speed restriction** New speed restrictions have been introduced.
- **a speed camera** (=designed to photograph vehicles going too fast) Most GPS systems will warn you when there are speed cameras.

II. **speed**² BrE^ˈ AmE^ˈ verb (past tense and past participle **sped** /sped/ or **speeded**)

[Word Family: noun: ↑speed, ↑speeding; verb: ↑speed; adverb: ↑speedily; adjective: ↑speedy]

1. [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to go quickly:

The car sped along the dusty highway.

2. [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to take someone or something somewhere very quickly:

An ambulance sped her to the hospital.

3. **be speeding** to be driving faster than the legal limit:

I got caught speeding on the A40 yesterday.

4. (also **speed something ↔ up**) [transitive] to make something happen faster **OPP slow down**:

This news should speed his recovery.

speed by phrasal verb

if time speeds by, it seems to pass very quickly:

The weeks sped by and soon it was time to go back to school.

speed up phrasal verb

to move or happen faster, or to make something move or happen faster **OPP slow down**:

The truck speeded up going down the hill.

speed something ↔ up

The new system will speed up the registration process.

speed

Freakuency Pack

12500 **1215**^{MCW}

15000 **1148**^{COCA}

RANGE: **1k** **SPEED** 39911

speed 29540

sped 1446

speeded 242

speeding 2433

speeds 4500

speedy 1489

speedily 186

highspeed 75

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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2501 **10904**²⁷³⁵ *vvi*

694 **25373**⁷³⁹ *vv0*

87 **66297**¹³⁰ *np1*

11 **245415**¹¹ *nnu*

7 **314586**⁷ *jj*