

**humdrum**

1. ['hʌmdrʌm] *n*
  1. однообразие; рутина; монотонность; повседневность
  2. банальность, общее место
  3. скучный *или* неинтересный человек
2. ['hʌmdrʌm] *a*

банальный, скучный, однообразный, будничный, серый  
humdrum existence - унылое существование
3. ['hʌmdrʌm] *v*

вести скучную жизнь; погрязнуть в рутине (*мж.* to humdrum it)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**hum·drum** *BrE* ['hʌmdrʌm] <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *NAmE* ['hʌmdrʌm] <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *adjective*

boring and always the same

**Syn:** ↑dull, **Syn:** ↑tedious

- a **humdrum existence/job/life**
- the use of computers to perform humdrum tasks
- the humdrum business of making money

Word Origin:[**humdrum**] mid 16th cent.: probably a reduplication of ↑**hum**.Example Bank:

- His arrival brought some variety into the humdrum life at the gallery.
- How I wish it was over and I could get back to my humdrum routine.
- There is a lot of dull, humdrum work in local politics.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**hum·drum** /'hʌmdrʌm/ *BrE* <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *AmE* <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *adjective*[**Date:** 1500-1600; **Origin:** hum]boring and ordinary, and having no variety or interest **SYN tedious****humdrum existence/job/life etc**

- the prisoners' humdrum routine

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**THESAURUS**

- **boring** not interesting in any way: a boring speech | He found school incredibly boring.
- **not very interesting** [**not before noun**] very ordinary and therefore rather boring. People often use this phrase in everyday English, instead of saying directly that something is **boring**: The story wasn't very interesting.
- **dull** *especially written* boring: The conference was usually a dull affair. | Life was never dull.
- **tedious** /'tiːdiəs/ very boring and continuing for a long time: The process was tedious and slow. | Jake began the tedious task of sorting through his papers.
- **monotonous** /mə'nɒtənəs \$ mə'nɑː-/ boring and always the same: The work was monotonous and unchallenging. | He was only half listening to the monotonous voice of the teacher.
- **mundane** /mʌn'deɪn/ rather boring, because it is connected with things you do regularly as part of your daily life: He busied himself with the mundane task of cleaning the house. | Most arguments are over mundane issues like spending or saving money.
- **humdrum** /'hʌmdrʌm/ [**usually before noun**] boring because nothing new or interesting ever happens: He wanted to escape his humdrum life. | a humdrum existence
- **dry** a subject, piece of writing etc that is dry is boring because it is very serious and does not contain any humour: The students complained that the lecture was dry and uninspiring. | a dry academic volume

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