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1. [stɪk] *n*
  - 1) палка, палочка  
fencing stick - фехтовальная палка  
the house went to sticks and staves - дом совершенно развалился  
not a stick or stone remained of the house - от дома не осталось и следа
  - 2) палка, трость; стек; посох
  - 3) жезл
  - 4) (*обыкн.* the stick) *разг.* порка  
this boy wants the stick - этому мальчику нужна палка, мальчишку следует высечь
2. подпорка, колышек
3. 1) палочка, брусок, плитка  
stick of candy - леденец  
stick of chocolate - плитка / плиточка / шоколада  
stick of chalk - палочка мела  
stick of butter - пачка масла  
incense sticks - ароматические палочки / свечки /
- 2) спица  
knitting stick - вязальная спица
4. подсвечник
5. смычок
6. дирижёрская палочка
7. *спорт. жарг.*
  - 1) палка, клюшка  
stick feint [push] - финт [подсечка шайбы] клюшкой (*хоккей*)
  - 2) бита (*бейсбол*)
  - 3) удочка
  - 4) *pl* лыжные палки  
stick riding descent - спуск с помощью палок
  - 5) *pl* лыжи
  - 6) = surfboard I
  - 7) *pl* боковые стойки ворот
8. *разг.*
  - 1) человек  
queer stick - чудака  
a decent old stick - порядочный человек  
good sticks - добрые люди  
poor stick - ничтожество
  - 2) тупица, бревно  
he is a regular stick on the stage - на сцене он настоящий истукан
9. *pl разг.* предметы (*домашней обстановки*)  
we have only a few sticks of furniture - у нас мало мебели
10. *pl* хворост
11. (the sticks) *разг.* захоlustье, глушь
12. *амер.* ложка коньяка, рома *и т. п.* в чай *или* кофе
13. *сл.* сигарета с марихуаной
14. 1) *тех.* рукоятка
- 2) *ав. разг.* ручка управления
15. *ав.* группа парашютистов, участвующих в групповом прыжке
16. *воен.*
  - 1) серия бомб  
stick bombing - серийное бомбометание
  - 2) снаряды одного залпа
17. *pl лес.* кругляк, круглый лесоматериал
18. *полигр.* верстатка
19. *мор.* перископ
20. *мор. разг.* рангоут
21. *бот.* ветка, черешок
22. *текст.* мяло, трепало (*для шерсти*)  
◇ the big stick - политика силы / «большой дубинки» /  
to beat smb. to sticks - разбить кого-л. наголову  
cross as two sticks - в ужасном настроении, не в духе, злой как чёрт  
to have the right [the wrong] end of the stick - иметь преимущество [потерпеть поражение] (*в споре и т. п.*)  
to have got hold of the wrong [of the right] end of the stick - иметь неверное [правильное] представление о чём-л.  
to hold sticks with smb. - соревноваться с кем-л. на равных условиях  
in a cleft stick - в затруднительном положении, в тупике  
he has us in a (cleft) stick - он поставил нас в отчаянное положение  
to cut one's sticks - удрать, улизнуть

to get on the stick - взяться за дело, начать действовать  
to give smb. the stick - бранить, разносить кого-л.; ≅ делать втык кому-л.

## 2. [stik] v (stuck)

### 1. 1) (in, into) втыкать, вкалывать, вонзять

to stick a spade into the earth - воткнуть лопату в землю

to stick a needle into one's finger - загнать /всадить/ иголку (себе) в палец

to stick a knife into smb. - вонзить нож в кого-л.

to stick spurs - вонзить шпоры

to stick a nail into the wall - вбить гвоздь в стену

we tested the pie by sticking a fork into the crust - мы попробовали вилок, готов ли пирог

### 2) втыкаться, вонзаться

the arrow stuck in the target - стрела вонзилась в мишень

the needle stuck in my finger - иголка воткнулась /вонзилась/ мне в палец

### 3) колоть, укалывать

to stick smb. with a needle - уколоть кого-л. иголкой

### 2. (through) прокалывать, пронзать

to stick a skewer through a piece of meat - насадить кусок мяса на вертел

### 3. 1) закалывать, убивать

to stick smb. with a bayonet - заколоть кого-л. штыком

### 2) резать, забивать (скот)

to stick a pig - заколоть свинью

### 4. *разг.* высовывать, выставлять (*мж.* stick out)

to stick one's head [one's hand] out of the window - высунуть голову [руку] из окна

### 5. *разг.*

#### 1) (*обыкн.* in) всовывать, совать, втыкать

to stick a flower in one's hair [an orchid in one's buttonhole, a feather in a cap] - воткнуть цветок в волосы [орхидею в петлицу, перо в шляпу]

to stick a hatchet [a revolver] in one's belt - заткнуть топорик [револьвер] за пояс

to stick one's forefingers in one's ears - заткнуть пальцами уши

to stick a pen behind one's ear - заложить перо за ухо

to stick one's hands in one's pockets - сунуть руки в карманы

don't stick your nose into other people's business - не суй нос в чужие дела

#### 2) торчать (*мж.* stick out, stick up)

the pen sticking behind his ear - торчащее у него за ухом перо

#### 6. *разг.* засовывать, вставляя (*мж.* stick in)

to stick a few commas in - вставить несколько запятых

stick the letter under the door - сунь письмо под дверь

stick the book back on its shelf - поставь книгу обратно на полку

stick the cake in the oven - сунь /поставь/ пирог в духовку

#### 7. 1) утыкать, усыпать

the cushion was stuck full of pins - вся подушечка была утыкана булавками

#### 2) *разг.* заставляя, увешивать

the walk was stuck full of statues - по всей аллее понаставили статуи

she stuck potted plants around the room - она заставила всю комнату горшками с цветами

a coat stuck with badges - пиджак, увешанный значками

#### 8. *разг.* поставить, положить, бросить

just stick it on the table [behind the couch] - бросьте это на стол [за диван]

stick the kettle on the gas stove - поставьте чайник на газ

#### 9. накалывать (*насекомых для коллекции*)

#### 10. *редк.* собирать хворост (*обыкн.* to go sticking)

#### 11. *с.-х.* ставить подпорки (*растениям*)

#### 12. *полигр.* вставляя в верстатку

◇ to stick one's heels in - а) противиться, не уступать; they wanted to move the school to new buildings, but parents and children stuck their heels in - школу хотели перевести в новое здание, но родители и дети заупрямились; hundreds of tenants are sticking their heels in over the new rent increases - сотни квартиросъемщиков ведут упорную борьбу с новым повышением квартплаты; б) не отступать ни на шаг

## II

### 1. [stik] n

клейкость, липкость, прилипчивость

### 2. [stik] v (stuck)

#### 1. 1) наклеивать, приклеивать, прилеплять

to stick a label on one's luggage [a notice on a wall, a stamp on a letter] - наклеить /налепить/ ярлык на багаж [объявление на стену, марку на конверт]

to stick bills - расклеивать афиши /плакаты/

to stick photographs in an album - наклеивать фотографии в альбом

to stick a picture in a book - клеивать картинку в книгу

to stick smth. together - склеивать что-л

the nickname the neighbours stuck on him - прозвище, которое ему дали соседи

2) приклеиваться, склеиваться, слепляться; прилипать, липнуть

the envelopewon't stick - конверт не заклеивается

these stamps have stuck (together) - марки склеились /слиплись/

his shirt stuck to his back - у него рубашка прилипла к спине

the paper sticks to my fingers - бумага прилипает к пальцам [ср. тж. ◇ ]

tar sticks - смола липкая

the vegetables have stuck to the pan - овощи пристали к сковородке

the name [the nickname] stuck to her - это имя [прозвище] так и осталось за ней /прилипло к ней/

the same fear sticks to her - её преследует всё тот же страх

his phrases stick - его выражения запоминаются

3) крепко держаться

to stick on the horse - крепко держаться в седле

4) приставать, привязываться (к кому-л.); становиться постоянным спутником

to stick like a burr /like glue, like a limpet, like wax/ - ≅ пристать /привязаться/ как смола /как банный лист/

to stick like a leech - присосаться как пиявка

2. 1) застревать; увязать

the car stuck in the mud - автомобиль завяз в грязи

the key stuck in the lock - ключ не поворачивался в замке

the ball got stuck on the roof - мяч застрял на крыше

2) останавливаться застревать

to stick in the middle of a speech - остановиться в середине (своей) речи

to stick in the mind /in the memory/ - засесть в памяти

the words stuck in his throat - слова застряли у него в глотке

3) (at) разг. колебаться

he will stick at nothing - он не остановится ни перед чем

this man sticks at no principle - это беспринципный человек, для этого человека нет ничего святого

3. 1) останавливать, задерживать

we had been stuck there for a week by bad weather - плохая погода задержала нас там на неделю

2) разг. торчать, застревать, оставаться (надолго)

to stick fast - основательно /надолго/ застрять

he stuck on the farm while his brothers travelled - он торчал /оставался/ на ферме, пока его братья путешествовали

3) разг. залежаться (о товаре)

4. плохо, неисправно действовать, заедать

the door [the gate, the lock] stuck - дверь [ворота, замок] заело

this drawer sticks - ящик не выдвигается

the switch sticks - выключатель неисправен

5. разг. выносить; мириться (с кем-л., чем-л.)

he could not stick his mother-in-law - он не выносил свою тещу

stick it! - терпи!, держись!

6. разг.

1) озадачивать, ставить в тупик

this problem sticks me - эта задача ставит меня в тупик

2) становиться в тупик, испытывать затруднения

he sticks at grammar - он не в ладах с грамматикой

7. разг.

1) надувать, обманывать

he had already been stuck several times by this man - этот человек его уже несколько раз надувал

2) (with) обыкн. pass всучить, навязать

I'm stuck with a counterfeit coin - мне подсунили фальшивую монету

I am stuck with this car - мне навязали эту машину (и теперь я с ней мыкаюсь)

it's my face and I am stuck with it - это моё лицо, и другого мне не дадут

now I am stuck with her - теперь я от неё не отвязусь, вот навязалась на мою голову

8. разг.

1) вводить в расход, заставляя платить «выставлять»

he stuck his host for the cost of several long-distance calls - его хозяину пришлось заплатить за несколько его междугородных телефонных разговоров

what do they stick you for a meal? - сколько они берут с вас за обед?

2) брать непомерно высокую цену, сдирать

II Б

1. to stick to smth. не отвлекаться, не отклоняться от чего-л.

stick to business! - не отвлекайтесь

stick to the point! - не отклоняйтесь; ближе к делу!

stick to the facts [to the original, to the text] - придерживайтесь фактов [оригинала, текста]

flying is simple if you stick to the rules - пилотирование самолёта - дело простое, надо только соблюдать правила

2. to stick to /with/ smth. придерживаться чего-л., быть верным чему-л.

to stick to one's word [to one's promise] - крепко /твёрдо/ держать слово [обещание]

to stick to one's opinion - упорствовать в своём мнении

to stick to one's resolve - стоять на своём

to stick to one's duty - быть верным своему долгу

to stick to one's post - оставаться на своём посту  
he sticks to his story - а) он упорно повторяет одно и то же; б) он настаивает на том, что он сказал  
to stick to one's guns - **воен.** упорно /стойко/ обороняться [см. тж. ◇]

3. **to stick by** /to/ **smb.** **разг.** стоять за кого-л.; быть верным кому-л.

he stuck by his friend in his troubles - он остался верным другу, когда у того были неприятности  
he stuck to us through thick and thin - он оставался нам верным другом во всех испытаниях  
his wife has stuck by him in good times and bad - жена всегда поддерживала его - и в радости и в беде

4. **to stick at smth.** упорно работать над чем-л.

I stick at my painting five or six hours a day but nothing comes of it - я работаю над картиной пять-шесть часов в день, но у меня ничего не получается

you can write the report in a week, but you'll need to stick at it - отчёт можно написать за неделю, но придётся не разгибать спины

◇

to be stuck on smb. - влюбиться в кого-л.

to stick to the fingers - прилипнуть к рукам (о чужих деньгах и т. п.) [ср. тж. I 1, 2]

to stick in the same mire with smb. - ≅ быть связанным одной верёвочкой с кем-л.

to stick to one's colours /to one's guns/ - стоять на своём, твёрдо проводить свою линию, до конца держаться своих убеждений [см. тж. II Б 2]

to stick to one's last - заниматься только своим делом, не лезть не в своё дело

to stick it on - а) запрашивать большую цену; б) преувеличивать, приукрашивать

to stick it on the bill - приписывать к счёту

to stick in one's gizzard [in one's stomach, in one's throat] - приходится не по вкусу кому-л., мешать /надоедать/ кому-л.; ≅

встать /стать/ поперёк горла

to stick to the ribs см. rib 1 ◇

## stick

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**stick** [stick sticks stuck sticking] **verb, noun** **BrE** [stɪk] <sup>u</sup> **NAmE** [stɪk] <sup>u</sup>  
**verb** (stuck stuck **BrE** [stʌk] <sup>u</sup> ; **NAmE** [stʌk] <sup>u</sup> )

### PUSH STH IN

1. **transitive, intransitive** to push sth, usually a sharp object, into sth; to be pushed into sth

- ~ **sth + adv./prep.** The nurse stuck the needle into my arm.
- Don't stick your fingers through the bars of the cage.
- **+ adv./prep.** I found a nail sticking in the tyre.

### ATTACH

2. **transitive, intransitive** to fix sth to sth else, usually with a sticky substance; to become fixed to sth in this way

- ~ **sth + adv./prep.** He stuck a stamp on the envelope.
- We used glue to stick the broken pieces together.
- I stuck the photos into an album.
- **+ adv./prep.** Her wet clothes were sticking to her body.
- The glue's useless— the pieces just won't stick.

### PUT

3. **transitive** ~ **sth + adv./prep.** (**informal**) to put sth in a place, especially quickly or carelessly

- Stick your bags down there.
- He stuck his hands in his pockets and strolled off.
- Can you stick this on the noticeboard?
- Peter stuck his head around the door and said, 'Coffee, anyone?'
- (**informal**) Stick 'em up! (= put your hands above your head — I have a gun!)

4. **transitive sb can stick sth** (**informal**) used to say in a rude and angry way that you are not interested in what sb has, offers, does, etc.

- I got sick of my boss's moaning and told him he could stick the job.

### BECOME FIXED

5. **intransitive** ~ (**in sth**) to become fixed in one position and impossible to move

**Syn:** †jam

- The key has stuck in the lock.
- This drawer keeps sticking.

### DIFFICULT SITUATION

6. **transitive** (**BrE, informal**) (usually used in negative sentences and questions) to accept a difficult or unpleasant situation or person

**Syn:** †stand

- ~ **sth/sb** I don't know how you stick that job.
- They're always arguing— I can't stick it any longer.
- The problem is, my mother can't stick my boyfriend.
- ~ **doing sth** John can't stick living with his parents.

### BECOME ACCEPTED

7. **intransitive** to become accepted

- The police couldn't **make the charges stick** (= show them to be true) .
- His friends called him Bart and **the name has stuck** (= has become the name that everyone calls him) .

**IN CARD GAMES**

8. **intransitive** to not take any more cards

see also **↑stuck**

**more at** put/stick the boot in **at** **↑boot** *n.*, put/stick two fingers up at/to sb/sth **at** **↑finger** *n.*, put stick the knife in/put/stick the knife into sb **at** **↑knife** *n.*, stand/stick out a mile **at** **↑mile**, mud sticks **at** **↑mud**, poke/stick your nose into sth **at** **↑nose** *n.*, put/stick your oar in **at** **↑oar**, stand/stick out like a sore thumb **at** **↑sore** *adj.*, tell sb where to put/stick sth **at** **↑tell**

Verb forms:

| verb forms                   |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| present simple               |                |
| I / you / we /they           | stick          |
|                              | BrE /stɪk/     |
|                              | NAmE /stɪk/    |
| he / she /it                 | sticks         |
|                              | BrE /stɪks/    |
|                              | NAmE /stɪks/   |
| past simple, past participle | stuck          |
|                              | BrE /stʊk/     |
|                              | NAmE /stʊk/    |
| -ing form                    | sticking       |
|                              | BrE /'stɪkɪŋ/  |
|                              | NAmE /'stɪkɪŋ/ |

Word Origin:

**n.** Old English sticca 'peg, stick, spoon' West Germanic Dutch **stek** 'cutting from a plant' German **Stecken** 'staff, stick'  
**v.** Old English stician Germanic German **sticken** 'embroider' Indo-European Greek **stizein** 'to prick' stigma 'a mark' Latin **instigare** 'spur on' 'pierce' 'remain fixed (by its embedded pointed end)'

Thesaurus:

**stick verb**

1. **T, I** (always used with an adverb or preposition)

- She stuck a pin in the balloon.

**push** • **press** • **poke** • **ram** • **force** • **drive** • |informal **shove** • |written **thrust** •

stick/push/press/poke/ram/force/drive/shove/thrust sth **into** sth

stick/push/poke/force/drive/shove/thrust sth **through** sth

2. **T, I** (always used with an adverb or preposition)

- Stick a stamp on the envelope

**put** • **attach** • **glue** • **tape** • **fasten** • |especially BrE **fix** • |formal **secure** •

stick/attach/glue/tape/fasten/fix/secure sth **to** sth

stick/put/glue/tape/fasten/fix sth **on** sth

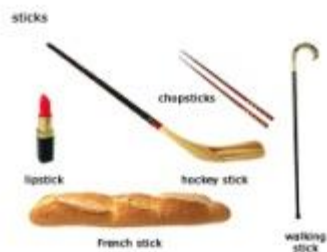
stick/glue/tape/fasten sth **together**

Example Bank:

- He simply stuck a pin in at random among the names of candidates.
- He stuck the note through her letter box.
- I tended to stick to tried and tested techniques.
- She simply made a decision and resolutely stuck to it.
- What is the point of sticking slavishly to the rules?
- Her wet hair was sticking to her head.
- I forgot to stick a stamp on the envelope
- She stuck a finger into the sugar bowl.
- Stick 'em up!
- The little boy had stuck his head through the railings.
- The nurse stuck a needle into my arm.
- This glue's useless— the pieces just won't stick .

Idioms: **↑stick in your craw** ▪ **↑stick in your mind** ▪ **↑stick to your guns** ▪ **↑stick your neck out**

Derived **↑stick around** ▪ **↑stick at something** ▪ **↑stick by somebody** ▪ **↑stick by something** ▪ **↑stick it out** ▪ **↑stick out** ▪ **↑stick out for something** ▪ **↑stick something down** ▪ **↑stick something out** ▪ **↑stick to something** ▪ **↑stick together** ▪ **↑stick up** ▪ **↑stick up for somebody** ▪ **↑stick with somebody**



## FROM TREE

**1. countable** a thin piece of wood that has fallen or been broken from a tree

- We collected dry sticks to start a fire.
- The boys were throwing sticks and stones at the dog.
- Her arms and legs were like sticks (= very thin) .

## FOR WALKING

**2. countable** (especially BrE) = ↑walking stick

- The old lady leant on her stick as she talked.

**see also** ↑shooting stick, ↑white stick

## IN SPORT

**3. countable** a long thin object that is used in some sports to hit or control the ball

- a hockey stick

## LONG THIN PIECE

**4. countable** (often in compounds) a long thin piece of sth

- a stick of dynamite
- carrot sticks
- (NAmE) a stick of butter

**see also** ↑French stick

**5. countable** (often in compounds) a thin piece of wood or plastic that you use for a particular purpose

- pieces of pineapple on sticks
- The men were carrying spades and measuring sticks .

**see also** ↑chopstick, ↑cocktail stick, ↑drumstick, ↑matchstick, ↑yardstick

## OF GLUE, ETC.

**6. countable** a quantity of a substance, such as solid glue, that is sold in a small container with round ends and straight sides, and can be pushed further out of the container as it is used

**see also** ↑lipstick

## IN PLANE/VEHICLE

**7. countable** (informal, especially NAmE) the control stick of a plane

**see also** ↑joystick

**8. countable** (informal, especially NAmE) a handle used to change the gears of a vehicle

**see also** ↑gear lever, ↑stick shift

## FOR ORCHESTRA

**9. countable** a ↑baton, used by the person who ↑conducts an ↑orchestra

## CRITICISM

**10. uncountable** (BrE, informal) criticism or severe words

- The referee **got a lot of stick** from the home fans.

## COUNTRY AREAS

**11. the sticks plural** (informal, usually disapproving) country areas, a long way from cities

- We live **out in the sticks** .

## PERSON

**12. countable** (old-fashioned, BrE, informal) a person

- He's not such a bad **old stick** . There are many other compounds ending in **stick** . You will find them at their place in the alphabet.

**see** a rod/stick to beat sb with **at** ↑beat v., the big stick **at** ↑big adj., the carrot and (the) stick (approach) **at** ↑carrot, be (caught) in a

cleft stick **at** ↑cleft adj., get the short end of the stick **at** ↑short adj., up sticks **at** ↑up v., get (hold of) the wrong end of the stick **at**

↑wrong adj.

### Word Origin:

n. Old English sticca 'peg, stick, spoon' West Germanic Dutch **stek** 'cutting from a plant' German **Stecken** 'staff, stick'



v. Old English stician Germanic German *sticken* 'embroider' Indo-European Greek *stizein* 'to prick' stigma 'a mark' Latin *instigare* 'spur on' 'pierce' 'remain fixed (by its embedded pointed end)'

### Example Bank:

- Serve the prawns on cocktail sticks.
- The man had sticks of dynamite strapped to his chest.
- The savoury dips were served with sticks of carrot and celery.
- a stick of butter

## stick

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I. **stick**<sup>1</sup> **S1 W3** /stɪk/ BrE " AmE " verb (past tense and past participle **stuck**/stʌk/)

[Word Family: adjective: ↑sticky, ↑stuck, ↑unstuck, ↑non-stick; noun: ↑sticker, ↑stickiness; verb: ↑stick]

[Language: Old English; Origin: stician]

1. **ATTACH** [intransitive and transitive] to attach something to something else using a substance, or to become attached to a surface  
**stick something on/to/in etc something**

" Someone had stuck posters all over the walls.

**stick to/together**

" I could feel my shirt sticking to my back.

" The oil keeps the pasta from sticking together.

" This stamp won't stick properly.

2. **PUSH IN** [intransitive, transitive always + adverb/preposition] if a pointed object sticks into something, or if you stick it there, it is pushed into it

**stick (something) in/into/through something**

" pins stuck in a notice board

" The boy stuck his finger up his nose.

3. **PUT** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] *informal* to put something somewhere quickly and without much care **SYN bung**:

" Just stick it in the microwave for a few minutes.

" The cards had been stuck through the letterbox.

4. **MOVE PART OF BODY** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] if you stick a part of your body somewhere, you put it in a position where other people can see it **SYN put**:

" Clara stuck her head around the door to see who was there.

" The baby stuck his legs in the air.

" Don't stick your tongue out. It's rude!

5. **DIFFICULT TO MOVE** [intransitive] if something sticks, it becomes fixed in one position and is difficult to move:

" This door keeps sticking.

" The wheels stuck fast (=stuck completely) in the mud.

6. **stick in sb's mind** if something sticks in your mind, you remember it well because it is unusual or interesting:

" It's the kind of name that sticks in your mind.

7. **make something stick** *informal*

a) to prove that something is true:

" Is there enough evidence to make the charges stick?

b) to make a change become permanent:

" The government has succeeded in making this policy stick.

8. **NAME** [intransitive] if a name that someone has invented sticks, people continue using it:

" One newspaper dubbed him 'Eddie the Eagle', and the name stuck.

9. **somebody can stick something** *spoken* used to say angrily that you do not want what someone is offering you:

" I told them they could stick their job.

10. **STAY IN BAD SITUATION** [transitive] *British English spoken* to continue to accept a situation or person, even though you do not like them **SYN stand**:

" I can't stick mum's new boyfriend.

**can't stick doing something**

" Gerry can't stick working for Featherstone's any longer.

" I don't know how you stick it.

11. **stick in sb's throat/gullet** *British English*, **stick in sb's craw** *American English* if a situation or someone's behaviour sticks in your throat, it is so annoying that you cannot accept it:

" Her criticism really stuck in my craw.

12. **stick in sb's throat** if words stick in your throat, you are unable to say them because you are afraid or upset

13. **stick to sb's ribs** *informal* food that sticks to your ribs is very satisfying, so you are not hungry after you have eaten

⇒ ↑stuck, ⇒ **stick/poke your nose into something** at ↑nose<sup>1</sup>(3)

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### THESAURUS

- **put** to move something to a particular place: I've put the wine in the fridge. | Where have you put my grey shirt?
- **place** to put something somewhere carefully: 'It's beautiful,' he said, placing it back on the shelf.
- **lay** to put someone or something down carefully on a flat surface: He laid all the money on the table. | She laid the baby on his bed.
- **position** to carefully put something in a suitable position: Position the microphone to suit your height. | Troops were positioned around the city.
- **slip** to put something somewhere with a quick movement: He slipped his arm around her waist. | Carrie quickly slipped the

money into her bag.

- **shove** to put something into a space or container quickly or carelessly: Shove anything you don't want in that sack. | I've ironed those shirts so don't just shove them in a drawer.
- **stick** (also **bung** *British English*) *informal* to put something somewhere quickly or carelessly: I stuck the address in my pocket and I can't find it now. | Could you bung those clothes in the washing machine?
- **dump** to put something down somewhere in a careless and untidy way: Don't just dump all your bags in the kitchen. | People shouldn't dump rubbish at the side of the street.
- **pop** *informal* to quickly put something somewhere, usually for a short time: Pop it in the microwave for a minute.
- **thrust** *literary* to put something somewhere suddenly or forcefully: 'Hide it,' he said, thrusting the watch into her hand.

### stick around *phrasal verb informal*

to stay in a place a little longer, waiting for something to happen:

- Perhaps you'd like to stick around and watch?
- Tom will be sticking around for a while.

### stick at something *phrasal verb British English*

1. to continue doing something in a determined way in order to achieve something:

- Revising with your friends may help you stick at it.

2. **stick at nothing** *informal* to be willing to do anything, even if it is illegal, in order to achieve something

**stick at nothing to do something**

- He will stick at nothing to make money.

### stick by somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. to remain loyal to a friend when they have done something wrong or have problems:

- I love him and, whatever happens, I'll stick by him.
- Jean has stuck by her husband through thick and thin.

2. to do what you promised or decided to do

**stick by a decision/promise etc**

- He has stuck by his radical plans for economic reform.

### stick out *phrasal verb*

1. if something sticks out, you notice it because part of it comes out further than the rest of a surface:

- The children were so thin their ribs stuck out.

**stick out of/from/through etc**

- Paul's legs were sticking out from under the car.

2. **stick it out** to continue doing something that is difficult, painful, or boring:

- It wasn't a happy period of his life, but he stuck it out.

3. **stick your neck out** *informal* to risk giving your opinion about something, even though you may be wrong or other people may disagree with you:

- I'm going to stick my neck out with some predictions for the next two years.

4. **stick out to somebody/stick out in sb's mind** to seem more important to someone than other people or things:

- The thing that sticks out to me is that they need more help than they're getting.

⇒ **stick/stand out a mile** at ↑*mile*(5), ⇒ **stick out like a sore thumb** at ↑*sore*<sup>1</sup>(6)

### stick out for something *phrasal verb British English informal*

to refuse to accept less than what you asked for **SYN hold out for**:

- They offered him £250 but Vic stuck out for £500.

### stick to something *phrasal verb*

1. to do or keep doing what you said you would do or what you believe in, even when it is difficult **SYN keep to**:

- Have you been sticking to your diet?

**stick to your decision/principles etc**

- Miguel was determined to stick to his decision.
- It looks as if Nick will stick to his word this time.

2. to keep using or doing one particular thing and not change to anything else:

- If you're driving, stick to soft drinks.

**stick to doing something**

- Reporters should stick to investigating the facts.

3. **stick to your guns** *informal* to refuse to change your mind about something, even though other people are trying to persuade you that you are wrong:

- Having made up his mind, he stuck to his guns.

4. **stick to the point/subject/facts** to talk only about what you are supposed to be talking about or what is certain:

- Nevermind whose fault it was. Just stick to the facts.

5. **stick to the rules** *informal* to do something exactly according to the rules

6. **stick to the path/road etc** to stay on a marked path or road so that you do not get lost

7. **stick to the/your story** *spoken* to continue to say that what you have told someone is true, even though they do not believe you:

- You intend to stick to this story that she knew nothing of your financial prospects?

8. **stick to the/your knitting** *American English informal* to continue paying attention to your own work and not to get involved with what other people are doing:

- I wish Mrs Reese would stick to her knitting.

9. **stick it to somebody** *American English informal* to make someone suffer, pay a high price etc:

- The politicians stick it to the tourists because the tourists don't vote.

### stick together *phrasal verb informal*

if people stick together, they continue to support each other when they have problems:

- We're a family, and we stick together no matter what.



### stick up *phrasal verb*

1. if a part of something sticks up, it is raised up or points upwards above a surface

#### stick up from/out of/through etc

" Part of the boat was sticking up out of the water.

2. **stick 'em up** *spoken informal* used to tell someone to raise their hands when threatening them with a gun – used in films, stories etc

### stick up for somebody *phrasal verb informal*

to defend someone who is being criticized, especially when no one else will defend them:

" You're supposed to be sticking up for me!

#### stick up for yourself

" She's always known how to stick up for herself.

### stick with something/somebody *phrasal verb informal*

1. to continue doing something the way you did or planned to do before:

" Let's stick with the original plans.

2. to stay close to someone:

" You just stick with me. I'll explain everything as we go along.

3. to continue doing something, especially something difficult:

" If you stick with it, your playing will gradually get better.

4. **be stuck with something/somebody** to be made to accept something, do something, spend time with someone etc, when you do not want to:

" Bill left and I was stuck with the bill.

5. to remain in someone's memory:

" Those words will stick with me for the rest of my life.

## II. stick<sup>2</sup> *S3 BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: sticca]

1. **PART OF TREE** a long thin piece of wood from a tree, which is no longer attached to the tree ⇒ **branch, twig**:

" They collected sticks to start the fire.

2. **TOOL** a long thin piece of wood, plastic etc that you use for a particular purpose:

" a pair of drum sticks

" a measuring stick

" Aunt Lou walks with a stick (=uses a stick to help her walk).

3. **PIECE** a long thin or round piece of something:

" carrot sticks with dip

" a glue stick

#### stick of

" a stick of chewing gum

4. **SPORTS** a long, specially shaped piece of wood, plastic etc that you use in some sports to hit a ball:

" a hockey stick

5. **(out) in the sticks** a long way from a town or city:

" They live out in the sticks.

6. **get (hold of) the wrong end of the stick** *British English informal* to understand a situation in completely the wrong way:

" People who think the song is about drugs have got the wrong end of the stick.

7. **a stick to beat somebody with** something that can be used as a reason for criticizing someone:

" These tests will just give politicians yet another stick to beat the teachers with.

8. **PLANE** the handle you use to control a plane ⇒ ↑joystick

9. **CAR** *American English informal* a ↑stick shift

10. **get on the stick** *American English spoken* to start doing something you should be doing

11. **give somebody/get (some) stick** *British English spoken* if you give someone stick, you criticize them for something they have done:

" He's going to get some stick for this!

12. **up sticks** *British English informal* if you up sticks, you move to a different area

⇒ **carrot and stick** at ↑carrot(3)

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