

ear

I
[iə] *n*

1. ухо
to stop one's ears - заткнуть (себе) уши
2. 1) слух
to grate on smb.'s ears - резать слух
the distant roll of thunder reached our ears - мы услышали отдалённые раскаты грома
this came to the ears of the minister - это дошло до (ушей) министра
his pronunciation offends English ears - от его произношения англичанина коробит
- 2) музыкальный слух
to play by ear - играть по слуху [*см. тж.* ◇]
he has a true ear for melody - у него верный слух на мелодию
3. *pl* верхние углы первых полос газеты с рекламным материалом, сводкой погоды *и т. п.*
4. ручка (*сосуда и т. п.*)
5. *pl кул.* ушки (*макаронные*)
6. *тех.*

- 1) ушко, проушина
- 2) подвеска, дужка

- 3) *редк.* скважина; отверстие
7. *эл.* зажим для контактного провода

8. *pl амер. сл.* любительская радиостанция

◇ to turn a deaf ear - не слушать, не вникать
he turned a deaf ear to my entreaties - он остался глух к моим мольбам
the protest fell on deaf ears - протест пропустили мимо ушей
to lend /to give/ an ear (to) - выслушать кого-л.
he gave ear to this prudent advice - он прислушался к этому благоразумному совету
to have smb.'s ear - пользоваться чьим-л. благосклонным вниманием
to win /to gain/ smb.'s ear - добиться, чтобы тебя выслушали
to be all ears - обратиться в слух, слушать с напряжённым вниманием
in at one ear and out at the other - в одно ухо вошло, в другое вышло
to bring a storm about one's ears - навлечь на себя бурю негодования /град упрёков/
over head and ears, head over ears. up to the ears - по уши; ≅ по горло
he is up to his ears in the conspiracy - он самым непосредственным образом замешан в заговоре
to set friends by the ears - рассорить друзей
not for one's ears - ни за что; ≅ ни за какие коврижки
I would give my ears for smth. /to do smth./ - я бы дал /пошёл на/ что угодно ради чего-л. /чтобы сделать что-л/
my ears itch for information - мне не терпится узнать новости
to have itching ears - любить сплетни
to bend smb.'s ear - *амер.* надоедать кому-л. скучным разговором; ≅ зудеть
he will bend your ear for hours if given the chance - держитесь от него подальше, он вас до смерти заговорит
on one's ear - в состоянии раздражения, в негодовании
the insults really put me on my ear - эти оскорбления окончательно вывели меня из себя
to have /to keep/ an ear to the ground - быть всегда в курсе событий
to pin smb.'s ears back - избить /исколотить/ кого-л.; ≅ все уши оборвать кому-л.
to play by (the) ear - принимать решение по ходу дела; действовать по обстоятельствам ≅ там видно будет, что делать [*см. тж.* 2, 2)]
to prick up one's ears - насторожиться, быть начеку

II

1. [iə] *n*

- 1) колос
corn in the ear - колющая пшеница
- 2) початок (*кукурузы*)

2. [iə] *v*

- 1) колоситься, выбрасывать колос
the rye should soon be earing up - рожь скоро заколосится
- 2) давать початки

ear

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ear [ear ears] *BrE* [iə(r)] * *NAmE* [ɪr] * noun1. **countable** either of the organs on the sides of the head that you hear with

- an ear infection
- the **inner/outer ear**
- She whispered something in his ear.
- He put his hands over his ears.
- She's had her ears pierced.
- The elephant flapped its ears.

- He was always there with a sympathetic ear (= a willingness to listen to people) .



see also ↑cauliflower ear, ↑glue ear, ↑middle ear

2. -eared (in adjectives) having the type of **ears** mentioned

- a long-eared owl

3. singular an ability to recognize and copy sounds well

- She has always had an ear for languages.
- You need a good ear to master the piano.

4. countable the top part of a grain plant, such as ↑wheat, that contains the seeds

- ears of corn

more at not believe your ears/eyes **at** ↑believe bend sb's ear (about sth) **at** ↑bend _{v.}, give sb a box on the ears **at** ↑box _{n.}, box sb's

ears **at** ↑box _{v.}, cock an ear/eye at sth/sb **at** ↑cock _{v.}, fall on deaf ear/stun a deaf ear **at** ↑deaf _{adj.}, easy on the ear/eye **at** ↑easy

_{adj.}, feel your ears burning **at** ↑feel _{v.}, with a flea in your ear **at** ↑flea, lend an ear **at** ↑lend, music to your ears **at** ↑music, keep your

ears/eyes open **at** ↑open _{adj.}, make a pig's ear of sth **at** ↑pig _{n.}, prick (up) your ears **at** ↑prick _{v.}, ring in your ears/head **at** ↑ring _{v.},

make a silk purse (out of a sow's ear) **at** ↑silk, give sb/get a thick ear **at** ↑thick _{adj.}, walls have ears **at** ↑wall _{n.}, (still) wet behind the

ears **at** ↑wet _{adj.}, have a word in sb's ear **at** ↑word _{n.}

Idioms: ↑all ears ▪ ↑go in one ear and out the other ▪ ↑grin from ear to ear ▪ ↑have somebody's ear ▪ ↑have something coming out of your ears ▪ ↑have the ear of somebody ▪ ↑keep your ear to the ground ▪ ↑out on your ear ▪ ↑play by ear ▪ ↑play it by ear ▪ ↑shut your ears to something ▪ ↑somebody's ears are burning ▪ ↑somebody's ears are flapping ▪ ↑something comes to somebody's ears ▪ ↑up to your ears in something ▪ ↑with half an ear

Word Origin:

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Old English ēare Germanic Dutch oor German Ohr Indo-European Latin auris Greek ouis

sense 4 Old English ēar Germanic Dutch aar German Ähre

Example Bank:

- 'We were talking about you last night.' 'I thought my ears were burning.'
- A blast of punk rock music assaulted her ears.
- A horse may show annoyance by putting its ears back.
- A small noise caught his ear.
- At first I stopped my ears to what I did not want to hear.
- Blood from his torn ear was soaking his collar.
- Chinese music uses a scale that is unfamiliar to Western ears.
- Christopher felt his ears reddening.
- Come on, tell me, I'm all ears.
- Dogs can hear things that human ears can't hear.
- Drop a quiet word in her ear about it before it's too late.
- Each animal receives an individual ear tag.
- Even if my fears were silly, he always had an open ear.
- He arrived home hungry, and the noise from the kitchen was music to his ears.
- He could hear much better after having his ears cleaned out.
- He had three ear piercings.
- He has a good ear for accents and can usually tell where a speaker comes from.
- He has a keen ear for dialogue.
- He has really big ears that stick out.
- He listened to her with only half an ear as he watched TV.
- He plugged his ears to drown out the music.
- He plugged his ears with tissue paper to drown out the music.
- He pressed his ear to the door, but heard nothing.
- He waited in the darkness, his ears alert for the slightest sound.
- He was always willing to lend an ear.
- He was beaming from ear to ear.
- He went home with the teacher's warning ringing in his ears.
- Her ears listened expectantly.
- His ears pricked up when he heard his name mentioned.
- His sharp ears had picked up the uncertainty in her voice.
- I have a few words for your ears alone.
- I knew that my words were going in one ear and out the other.
- I strained my ears to catch the conversation in the other room.

- I'll keep my ears open for a second-hand bike for you.
- I'm sorry for talking your ear off.
- I've just had my ears pierced so I'm going to buy some earrings.
- If news of the break-in reaches the boss's ears, we're in trouble.
- If you suck a sweet as the plane takes off it stops your ears popping.
- In the silence everyone seemed to be aware of listening ears.
- It takes time to attune your ear to the local accent.
- My heart was pounding in my ears.
- She actually apologized. I couldn't believe my ears!
- She always provided a sympathetic ear for students with problems.
- She bent my ear about it for three days.
- She couldn't see, but her ears told her that the guards had arrived
- She did not like the plan, as she made clear every time she found a receptive ear= sb willing to listen.
- She did not like the scheme, as she made clear every time she found a receptive ear.
- She has a tin ear for melody.
- She nibbled on his ear.
- She put her hands over her ears to block out what he was saying.
- She put on her ear muffs and went out into the snow.
- She stood outside the room, her ears straining to hear what they were saying.
- She usually plays the guitar by ear, rather than reading the music.
- Some of the words used in 18th-century writing sound strange to modern ears.
- The dog pricked up its ears.
- The explosion set my ears ringing and even made me jump a bit.
- The horse lifted its head and flicked its ears.
- The music was so loud I had to cover my ears.
- The music was so loud that it hurt my ears.
- The sound of the blast filled my ears.
- The teacher turned a deaf ear to the boy's requests= ignored them.
- The teacher turned a deaf ear to the boy's swearing.
- The voices buzzing all around echoed in her ears.
- Their complaints about the poor service fell on deaf ears.
- This was the woman who had the ear of the President.
- To the trained ear the calls of these birds sound quite different
- When the notes are played so close together the ear hears no space between them.
- a rabbit with long floppy ears

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ear **S2 W2** /ɪə \$ ɪr/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ **noun**

[Sense 1,2: Language: Old English; Origin: eare]

[Sense 3: Language: Old English; Origin: ear]



1. **PART OF YOUR BODY** [countable] one of the organs on either side of your head that you hear with:

" She tucked her hair behind her ears.

long-eared/short-eared etc

" a long-eared rabbit

2. **GRAIN** [countable] the top part of a plant such as wheat that produces grain

ear of

" an ear of corn

3. **smile/grin etc from ear to ear** to show that you are very happy or pleased by smiling a lot:

" She came out of his office, beaming from ear to ear.

4. **reach somebody's ears** if something reaches someone's ears, they hear about it or find out about it:

" The news eventually reached the ears of the king.

5. **to somebody's ears** used when saying how something sounds to someone:

" It sounds odd to the ears of an ordinary English speaker.

6. [singular] the ability to learn music, copy sounds etc

ear for

" She has no ear for languages at all.

" a good ear for dialogue

7. **a sympathetic ear** used to say that someone listens sympathetically to what someone is saying:
 He's always prepared to **lend a sympathetic ear**.
8. **close/shut your ears to something** to refuse to listen to bad or unpleasant news:
 You can't just close your ears to their warnings. ⇒ **turn a deaf ear** at ↑deaf(4), ⇒ **fall on deaf ears** at ↑deaf(5)
9. **be all ears** *informal* to be very keen to hear what someone is going to tell you:
 As soon as I mentioned money, Karen was all ears.
10. **be out on your ear** *informal* to be forced to leave a job, organization etc, especially because you have done something wrong:
 You'd better start working harder, or you'll be out on your ear.
11. **be up to your ears in work/debt/problems etc** to have a lot of work etc
12. **have something coming out (of) your ears** *informal* to have too much of something:
 We've got pumpkins coming out our ears this time of year.
13. **keep your/an ear to the ground** to make sure that you always know what is happening in a situation
14. **keep your ears open** to always be listening in order to find out what is happening or to hear some useful information:
 I hope you'll all keep your eyes and ears open for anything unusual.
15. **go in (at) one ear and out (at) the other** *informal* if information goes in one ear and out the other, you forget it as soon as you have heard it:
 I don't know why I tell her anything. It just goes in one ear and out the other.
16. **give somebody a thick ear** *British English informal* to hit someone on the ear:
 Behave yourself or I'll give you a thick ear!
17. **have sb's ear** to be trusted by someone so that they will listen to your advice, opinions etc:
 He claimed to have the ear of several top ministers.
18. **play something by ear** to play music that you have heard without having to read written music ⇒ **play it by ear** at ↑play¹(11)
19. **sb's ears are burning** used to say that someone thinks that people are talking about them
20. **sb's ears are flapping** *British English spoken* used to say that someone is trying to listen to your private conversation
 ⇒ ↑dog-eared, ⇒ **bend sb's ear** at ↑bend¹(7), ⇒ **send somebody off with a flea in their ear** at ↑flea(2), ⇒ **make a pig's ear of**
 at ↑pig¹(5), ⇒ **prick (up) your ears** at ↑prick¹(5), ⇒ **wet behind the ears** at ↑wet¹(7)

COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **big** African elephants' ears are bigger than those of Indian elephants.
- **floppy** (=soft and hanging down loosely, rather than being stiff) a rabbit with big floppy ears
- **pointy/pointed** The dog has short pointy ears.
- **pierced** (=with a hole in the skin where an earring can be put) Her new boyfriend's got long hair and pierced ears.
- **somebody's left/right ear** She is deaf in her right ear.
- **inner/middle ear** (=the parts inside your ear, which you use to hear sounds) I've got an infection in my middle ear.

■ verbs

- **say/whisper something into somebody's ear** He whispered something into his wife's ear.
- **have your ears pierced** (=have a hole put into the skin, so that you can wear an earring) I had my ears pierced when I was quite young.
- **somebody's ears stick out** (=they are noticeable because they do not lie flat against someone's head) If my hair is too short, you can see that my ears stick out.
- **somebody's ears pop** (=the pressure in them changes suddenly, for example when you go up or down quickly in a plane) My ears finally popped when the plane landed.

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