

**something****1. ['sʌmθɪŋ] n****1. какая-л. должность, какое-л. положение (где-л.)**

he is something in the Record Office - он занимает какую-то должность в архиве

these gentlemen are something in the City, but no one knows what - эти джентльмены что-то делают в Сити, но никто не знает, что именно

**2. важная персона, «шишка»**

he thinks himself something - он о себе высокого мнения; он считает себя весьма важной персоной

you think you are something? - уж не считаешь ли ты себя важной персоной?

**3. имярек**

Professor Something Appleby - профессор Эпплби, не помню его имени

Something Smith - Смит, как там его зовут?, какой-то Смит

**4. в грам. знач. прил. эвф. проклятый, чёртов, такой-сякой**

the something horse [weather]! - чёртова лошадь [погода]!

◇ to be up to something - замысливать что-л. недоброе

something on the ball - сл. способности, достоинства; умение соображать; ≅ винтики работают

something on the hip - сл. виски во фляге; карманная фляга

**2. ['sʌmθɪŋ] adv****1. примерно, приблизительно около**

he is something under forty - ему приблизительно под сорок

we were something over a hundred - нас было приблизительно сто /несколько больше ста/ человек

it is something between twenty and thirty - это что-то между двадцатью и тридцатью

it is something like two o'clock - сейчас что-нибудь около двух (часов)

he left something like a million - он оставил что-то около миллиона

he is something like what his father was at that age - он немного напоминает своего отца, когда тот был в его возрасте [ср.

тж. ◇ ]

**2. несколько, немного**

he is something worried - он несколько обеспокоен

she has got something stouter - она немного пополнела, она слегка округлилась

there was something too much of this - (пожалуй) это было слишком

he is something less than fair to me - он более чем несправедлив ко мне

**3. прост. довольно, сильно**

he was something impatient - он был достаточно нетерпелив

he was something troubled - он был сильно взволнован

he treated me something shocking - он обошёлся со мной просто ужасно

he curses her out something fierce - он её здорово ругает

◇ something like - превосходный, чудесный, великолепный [ср. тж. 1]

that's something like! - вот это здорово!, вот это да!

this is something like a dinner - вот это обед так обед!

he was something like an actor! - он был актёр что надо!, вот это был актёр!

**3. ['sʌmθɪŋ] indef pron****1. что-то кое-что**

something or other - что-то, то или другое, кое-что

something or other went wrong - что-то сорвалось /вышло не так/

to make something of - извлечь какую-л. пользу из (чего-л.), приспособить (что-л.)

there is something about it in the newspapers - об этом что-то есть в газетах

I have something else to do - у меня (есть) другие дела [ср. тж. ◇ ]

he has seen something of the world - он поездил по свету, он повидал кое-что

now you see something of what I have to put up with - теперь вы имеете некоторое представление о том, с чем мне приходится сталкиваться

there's something in it - в этом что-то есть

there is something in what you say - пожалуй, в том, что вы говорите, есть рациональное зерно; к тому, что вы говорите, стоит прислушаться; по-своему вы правы

**2. что-нибудь**

say something - скажите что-нибудь

I must get something to eat - мне надо достать чего-нибудь поесть

**3. (of) в какой-то степени, слегка, нечто вроде**

he is something of a carpenter - он немного /в некотором роде/ столяр, он умеет столярничать

he is something of a painter - он немного художник, он художник-любитель

he is something of a liar - он может приврать

he speaks with something of a foreign accent - он говорит с лёгким (иностранным) акцентом

there was something of sarcasm in his voice - в его голосе проскальзывали нотки сарказма

**4. (обыкн. в сочетании с have или take) разг. что-нибудь съестное или спиртное**

will you take something? - а) не выпьете ли (вы) чего-нибудь?; б) не хотите ли поесть /закусить/?

let's have a little something - давайте перекусим немного

take a drop of something - выпейте чего-нибудь (спиртного)

**5. что-то вроде**

he was made a director or something - его сделали директором или ещё кем-то в этом роде

he is a doctor or something or как будто врач или что-то в этом роде  
he broke his arm or something - он сломал себе, кажется, руку

## 6. нечто важное; некто важный

well, that's something - это уже кое-что /не пустяк/

it's something that they are at hand - важно уже то, что они близко

it is something to have reached home without an accident! - благополучно добраться домой - это уже чего-то стоит!

◇ to see something of smb. - изредка /иногда, время от времени/ видется с кем-л.

we hope to see something of them now - мы надеемся, что теперь будем с ними иногда видется

there is something in the wind - что-то назревает /готовится/

something good - совет от знающего человека, на что надо ставить (на скачках)

something damp /short/ - сл. что-нибудь, чем промочить горло, выпивка

something else - а) ещё что-нибудь; б) сл. нечто особенное, невиданное; что-л. замечательное, ≅ такое поискать надо; в) незаурядная личность; [ср. мж. 1]

## something

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**some-thing** [something somethings] **pronoun, adverb** BrE ['sʌmθɪŋ] <sup>m</sup> NAmE

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**pronoun**

### 1. a thing that is not known or mentioned by name

- We stopped for something to eat.
- Give me **something to do** .
- There's something wrong with the TV.
- **There's something about** this place that frightens me.
- Don't just stand there. **Do something** !
- His name is Alan something (= I don't know his other name) .
- She's a professor of **something or other** (= I'm not sure what) at Leeds.
- He's **something in** (= has a job connected with) television.
- The car hit a tree **or something** .
- I could just eat **a little something** . The difference between **something** and **anything** is the same as the difference between **some** and **any**. Look at the notes there.

### 2. (informal) a thing that is thought to be important or worth taking notice of

- There's **something in** (= some truth or some fact or opinion worth considering in) what he says.
- It's **quite something** (= a thing that you should feel happy about) to have a job at all these days.
- 'We should finish by tomorrow.' ' **That's something** (= a good thing) , anyway.'

### 3. (informal) used to show that a description or an amount, etc. is not exact

- She called at **something after** ten o'clock.
- a new comedy aimed at **thirty-somethings** (= people between thirty and forty years old)
- It tastes **something like** melon.
- They pay six pounds an hour. **Something like that** .
- She found herself **something of a** (= to some degree a) celebrity.
- The programme's **something to do with** (= in some way about) the environment
- He gave her a wry look, **something between** amusement and regret.

### Word Origin:

Old English sum thing (see ↑some, ↑thing).

Idioms: ↑make something of yourself ▪ ↑something else

**adverb** (non-standard) used with an adjective to emphasize a statement

- She was swearing something terrible.

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**some-thing** **S1 W1** /'sʌmθɪŋ/ BrE <sup>m</sup> AmE <sup>m</sup> **pronoun**

### 1. used to mean a particular thing when you do not know its name or do not know exactly what it is ⇒ **anything, everything, nothing**:

- There's something in my eye.
- Sarah said something about coming over later.

### something new/old/good etc

- It's a good car, but I'm looking for something newer.
- The house was too small, so they decided to look for something else (=a different one).
- I think there's something wrong (=a problem) with the phone.
- I don't know what he does exactly, but I know it has something to do with computers (=is related to them in some way).

### 2. **something to eat/drink/read/do etc** some food, a drink, a book, an activity etc:

- Would you like something to drink?
- I should take something to read on the plane.

### 3. **do something** to do something in order to deal with a problem or difficult situation:

Don't just stand there – do something!

**do something about**

Can you do something about that noise?

4. **something about somebody/something** used to say that a person, situation etc has a quality or feature that you recognize but you cannot say exactly what it is

(there is) **something different/odd/unusual about somebody/something**

There was something rather odd about him.

There's **something about** her voice that I find really sexy.

5. **... or something spoken** used when you cannot remember, or do not think it is necessary to give, another example of something you are mentioning:

Her name was Judith, or Julie, or something.

Here's some money. Get yourself a sandwich or something.

6. **something like 100/2,000 etc** close to but not exactly a large amount such as 100, 2,000 etc:

Something like 50,000 homes are without power.

7. **be thirty-something/forty-something etc** used to say that someone is aged between 30 and 39, between 40 and 49 etc when you do not know exactly

8. **be (really/quite) something spoken** used to say that something is very good and impressive:

Running your own company at 21 is really something.

That was really something, wasn't it?

9. **be something else spoken** to be unusual or funny to other people:

You really are something else!

10. **there's something in/to something** used to admit that someone's words are true or their ideas are successful etc:

They had to concede that there was something in his teaching methods.

Do you think there's something to the rumours about Larry and Sue?

11. **have something of something** to have a few of the same features or qualities that someone else has:

It was clear that Jenkins had something of his father's brilliance.

12. **be something of a gardener /an expert etc** to know a lot about something or to be very good at something:

Charlie's always been something of an expert on architecture.

13. **something of a shock/surprise etc formal** used to say that something is a shock, surprise etc, but not completely or not in a strong or severe way:

The news **came as something of** a surprise.

14. **a little something** used when you are telling someone that you have bought them a present:

I got you a little something for your birthday.

15. **sixty something/John something etc spoken** used when you cannot remember the rest of a number or name:

'How much did you spend on groceries?' 'A hundred and twenty something.'

16. **make something of yourself** to become successful

17. **that's something** used to say that there is one thing that you should be glad about:

At least we have some money left. That's something, isn't it?

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**THESAURUS**

- **thing** used when you do not need to say the name, or when you do not know the name: What's that thing on the kitchen table? | Have you got all your things?
- **something** a thing – used when you are not sure what the thing is: There's something on your shirt.
- **object especially written** a solid thing: a sharp metal object
- **item formal** a particular kind of thing, or one of a group of things: household items | a luxury item | an item of equipment | The items included pieces of old pottery. | You are not allowed to take sharp items onto the plane.
- **article formal** a particular kind of thing, or one of a group of things. **Article** is very formal, and is used especially in the phrase **an article of clothing**: They found several articles of clothing in the bushes. | suspicious articles | Each article has a card with it giving more information.
- **artifact (also artefact) formal** an object that someone has made, especially one that is very old and has historical value: The museum has a collection of early Roman artifacts.
- **thingy (also thingamajig /thingamabob) spoken informal** a thing – used especially when you cannot remember the name of the thing, but often the other person knows what you are talking about: Can you pass me the thingy?

**something**

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