

**escape****1. [ɪˈskeɪp] n****1) бегство, побег**

to make good one's escape - совершить удачный побег  
 to make one's escape by a back door - сбежать через чёрный ход  
 an escape from captivity [from prison] - побег из плена [из тюрьмы]  
 to seek escape from the heat - пытаться спастись от жары

**2) уход от жизни, замыкание в (самом) себе**

escape literature, literature of escape - эскапистская литература, литература уводящая от основных проблем жизни  
 (детективная, развлекательная и т. п.)

**2. избавление, спасение**

doom from which there is no escape - судьба, от которой не убежишь /не уйдёшь/  
 to find no escape from the dilemma - не найти выхода из трудного положения  
 to have a narrow /hairbreadth/ escape - едва избежать опасности, быть на волосок (от смерти и т. п.)

**3. 1) утечка (газа, пара и т. п.)****2) мед. выделение, истечение**

escape of blood - кровотечение

**3) выпуск (газа, пара)****4) тех. выпускное отверстие****4. одичавшее культурное растение****5. 1) рывок (борьба)****2) пл уходы с ковра (борьба)****6. гидр. сброс, водосброс на канале**

escape canal - сточный /спускной/ канал

**7. физ. высвобождение, вылет (частицы)****8. юр. заключённый, совершивший побег****9. 1) переход****2) выход**

escape code - управляющий код

escape key - клавиша выхода

**2. [ɪˈskeɪp] v****1. 1) бежать (из заключения); совершать побег, убежать (из тюрьмы и т. п.)**

to escape (from) pursuit - ускользнуть от преследования  
 he escaped to the mountains - он скрылся в горах

**2) уходить, отключаться**

to escape from everyday life - уйти от повседневной жизни

**2. избежать (опасности и т. п.); спастись, отделаться**

to escape a blow - увернуться от удара  
 to escape observation - ускользнуть от наблюдения  
 to escape punishment - избежать наказания; остаться безнаказанным  
 he just escaped being killed - его чуть не убили  
 they barely escaped with their lives - ≅ они еле-еле унесли ноги  
 all children escaped the measles - никто из детей не заболел корью  
 he escaped with fright - он отделался испугом  
 we cannot escape the impression that ... - мы не можем отделаться от впечатления, что ...

**3. ускользать (о смысле и т. п.)**

your point escapes me - я не понимаю (к чему вы клоните)  
 the details escaped my mind - подробности выпали у меня из памяти  
 his name escapes me - никак не могу вспомнить его имени

**4. вырваться (о словах, стоне)**

a cry escaped him - он испустил крик /вскрикнул/  
 not a word escaped his lips - он не проронил ни слова

**5. спец. улетучиваться; просачиваться**

gas is escaping - есть утечка газа

**6. физ. высвобождаться, вылетать (о частице)****escape**

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**es·cape** [escape escapes escaped escaping] verb noun BrE [ɪˈskeɪp] <sup>1</sup> NAmE

[ɪˈskeɪp]

verb

**1. intransitive** to get away from a place where you have been kept as a prisoner or not allowed to leave

- Two prisoners have escaped.
- They were caught trying to escape.
- ~ **from sb/sth** He escaped from prison this morning.

**2. intransitive, transitive** to get away from an unpleasant or dangerous situation

- ~ **(from sth)** She managed to escape from the burning car.
- ~ **(into sth)** (figurative) As a child he would often escape into a dream world of his own.
- ~ **sth** They were glad to have **escaped the clutches** of winter for another year.

**3. transitive, no passive** to avoid sth unpleasant or dangerous

- ~ **sth** She was lucky to escape punishment.
  - The pilot **escaped death** by seconds.
  - **There was no escaping** the fact that he was overweight
  - ~ **doing sth** He **narrowly escaped** being killed.
4. **intransitive** to suffer no harm or less harm than you would expect
- ~ **(with sth)** I was lucky to escape with minor injuries.
  - **+ adj.** Both drivers **escaped unhurt** .
5. **transitive, no passive** ~ **sb/sth** to be forgotten or not noticed
- Her name escapes me (= I can't remember it) .
  - It might have **escaped your notice** , but I'm very busy at the moment.
6. **intransitive** (of gases, liquids, etc.) to get out of a container, especially through a hole or crack
- Put a lid on to prevent heat escaping.
  - toxic waste escaping into the sea
7. **transitive, intransitive** ~ **(sth)** (of a sound) to come out from your mouth without you intending it to
- A groan escaped her lips.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	escape
	BrE /ɪˈskeɪp/
	NAme /tˈskeɪp/
he / she / it	escapes
	BrE /ɪˈskeɪps/
	NAme /tˈskeɪps/
past simple, past participle	escaped
	BrE /ɪˈskeɪpt/
	NAme /tˈskeɪpt/
-ing form	escaping
	BrE /ɪˈskeɪpɪŋ/
	NAme /tˈskeɪpɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **eschaper**, based on medieval Latin **ex-** ‘out’ + **cappa** ‘cloak’ . Compare with **↑escapade**.

Thesaurus:

**escape** verb I, T, no passive

- She managed to escape from the burning car.

**get away** •• **lose** •• **elude** •• **evade** •

escape/get away **from** sb/sth

escape/evade **being** captured, killed, hit, etc.

escape/get away from/lose/elude/evade your **pursuers**

escape/elude/evade **capture/detection/the police**

Example Bank:

- Apparently, they had escaped somehow and gotten home.
- He got hurt while struggling to escape.
- He had managed to escape the clutches of the police yet again.
- I need to escape. I want to go away from here.
- It was easy to escape in the confusion of the besieged city.
- It was stupid of Lee to let them escape.
- Only two of the men escaped alive.
- She eventually escaped to the US.
- She was very lucky to escape with her life.
- The city largely escaped bombing in the campaign.
- The driver escaped without injury.
- The family escaped to England.
- The head of department cannot entirely escape responsibility for this situation.
- The survivors barely escape in whatever ships they can find.
- They escaped into the forest.
- They narrowly escaped being killed in the fire.
- They're so small they can easily escape notice.
- Thieves escaped with property worth over \$5 000.
- Tony may never escape his emotional struggle.
- We would always go there to escape from it all.
- a lonely man who wants to escape his lifestyle
- errors that had escaped my notice
- pilots who successfully escaped while their aircraft was being shot down
- As he twisted the pipe a trickle of water escaped.
- Both drivers escaped unhurt.
- He fled the country to escape the king's wrath.
- No man can escape his destiny.
- Scotland seems to have escaped the worst of the recession.

- She managed to escape the fate of the other rebels.
- She only just escaped with her life.
- So far the robbers have escaped justice.
- The container is sealed so the gas has no means of escaping into the air.
- The police will not escape criticism in this affair.
- There was no escaping the fact that he was overweight
- to escape blame/censure/criticism/sb's wrath
- to escape death/assassination/the massacre/drowning/injury/being hit/the fighting
- to escape detection/capture/arrest/justice/prosecution/conviction/punishment/prison

Idiom: ↑make good your escape

## noun

**1. countable, uncountable ~ (from sth)** the act or a method of escaping from a place or an unpleasant or dangerous situation

- an escape from a prisoner of war camp
- I had a **narrow escape** (= I was lucky to have escaped) .
- There was no hope of escape from her disastrous marriage.
- He took an elaborate **escape route** from South Africa to Britain.
- As soon as he turned his back, she would **make her escape** .

**see also** ↑fire escape

**2. singular, uncountable** a way of forgetting sth unpleasant or difficult for a short time

- For her, travel was an escape from the boredom of her everyday life.

**3. countable** the fact of a liquid, gas, etc. coming out of a pipe or container by accident; the amount that comes out

- an escape of gas

**4. uncountable (also e'scape key countable) (computing)** a button on a computer keyboard that you press to stop a particular operation or leave a program

- Press escape to get back to the menu.

**more at** close, etc. the barn door after the horse has escaped **at** ↑barn

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## Example Bank:

- A driver had a lucky escape after a brick was dropped on his car from an overhead bridge.
- Celine has been plotting her escape for months.
- Craig finds escape in dreams.
- For many, the ultimate escape is a tranquil beach filled with white sand.
- He had a narrow escape from gunfire.
- He made his escape through the window.
- He stepped in front of me, blocking my escape.
- I found an open door and made good my escape.
- I made a hasty escape.
- She looked around for a means of escape.
- The ground became swamped, allowing no escape.
- There was clearly no possibility of escape.
- This play offered an escape from the everyday.
- Together they formulated an escape plan.
- a group of slaves that attempted an escape
- city dwellers seeking escape from stress
- his escape from the prison camp
- one of the greatest escapes of all time
- the daring escape of a Resistance fighter from prison
- young people's need for temporary escape from the demanding journey into adulthood
- As soon as he turned his back, she would make her escape.

## escape

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**I. escape** <sup>1</sup> **S3 W2** /ɪ'skeɪp/ *BrE* " *AmE* " *verb*

[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑escape, ↑escapism, ↑escapee, ↑escapologist; **adjective:** ↑escaped, ↑inescapable, ↑escapist; **verb:** ↑escape; **adverb:** ↑inescapably]

[**Date:** 1200-1300; **Language:** Old North French; **Origin:** escaper, from Vulgar Latin excappare, from Late Latin cappa 'head-covering' from the idea of throwing off something that limits your movement]

**1. PERSON/PLACE [intransitive]** to leave a place when someone is trying to catch you or stop you, or when there is a dangerous situation:

- " He broke down the locked door and escaped.

**escape from/through/over etc**

- " He escaped from prison in October.

**escape to**

- " She escaped to Britain in 1938.

**2. DANGER [intransitive and transitive]** to get away from a dangerous or bad situation

### escape with

He escaped with minor injuries.

### escape unhurt/unscathed/unharmed etc

A boy escaped unhurt when the fire in his room exploded.

They went to the hills to escape the summer heat.

### escape sb's clutches (=escape from someone)

The youth was trying to escape the clutches of two drunken female companions.

### 3. AVOID [intransitive and transitive] to avoid something bad or that you do not want to happen:

He narrowly escaped death in an avalanche.

The two passengers escaped serious injury.

They must not be allowed to escape justice.

It seemed impossible he would escape detection.

### 4. GAS/LIQUID ETC [intransitive] if gas, liquid, light, heat etc escapes from somewhere, it comes out:

Vents allow any steam to escape if the system overheats.

### 5. SOUND [intransitive and transitive] *literary* if a sound escapes from someone, they accidentally make that sound:

A small laugh escaped her.

### escape from

Holman let a weary sigh escape from his lips.

### 6. escape sb's attention/notice if something escapes your attention or notice, you do not see it or realize that it is there

### 7. the name/date/title etc escapes somebody used to say that someone cannot remember something:

For some reason which escapes me, we had to take a taxi.

### 8. there's no escaping (the fact) used to emphasize that something is definitely important or will definitely happen:

There's no escaping the fact that work has profound effects on emotions and health.

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## COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1,2&3)

### ■ verbs

- **try/attempt to escape** Some prisoners tried to escape, but most were recaptured or shot.

### ■ nouns

- **escape injury** (=not be hurt) Both drivers were lucky to escape serious injury.
- **escape justice** (=not be caught and punished) These terrorists must not be allowed to escape justice.
- **escape detection** (=not be noticed) Some insects manage to escape detection by merging with the background.
- **escape sb's clutches** (=escape and not be caught by someone) He managed to escape the men's clutches and run off.

### ■ phrases

- **narrowly escape something** (=only just avoid having something bad happen to you) The firemen narrowly escaped being killed by the explosion.
- **escape with your life** (=escape and not be killed) When the tunnel collapsed, the men were lucky to escape with their lives.
- **escape unharmed/unscathed/unhurt** Two policemen were killed, but the president escaped unharmed.
- **escape alive** The crew of the sinking vessel were lucky to escape alive.

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## THESAURUS

- **escape** to leave a place when someone is trying to catch you or stop you, or when there is a dangerous situation: The thief escaped through an upstairs window. | She managed to escape from her attacker and call the police.
- **get away** to escape from someone who is chasing you, especially when there is no chance that you will be caught. **Get away** is more informal than **escape**: The robbers got away but left plenty of clues at the scene. | Don't let him get away!
- **break free/break away** to escape from someone who is holding you: She broke free and started running.
- **flee** *written* to leave somewhere very quickly in order to escape from danger: Many people were forced to flee the country. | The two men fled before police arrived.
- **get out** to escape from a building or room: I was locked in the room and couldn't get out.
- **break out** to escape from prison: The jail is so secure that no one has ever broken out of it.
- **abscond** *formal* to escape from a prison or institution where you are supposed to stay: Three prisoners who absconded have still not been found. | He absconded from a psychiatric hospital.

## II. escape<sup>2</sup> S3 BrE<sup>2</sup> AmE<sup>2</sup> noun

[Word Family: noun: ↑escape, ↑escapism, ↑escapee, ↑escapologist; adjective: ↑escaped, ↑inescapable, ↑escapist; verb: ↑escape; adverb: ↑inescapably]

### 1. [uncountable and countable] the act of getting away from a place, or a dangerous or bad situation:

The girl had no chance of escape.

Christina hoped it wouldn't be too long before she could make her escape.

### escape from

the firm's narrow escape from bankruptcy

an escape route

They had a lucky escape (=were lucky not to be hurt or killed) when a car crashed into the front of their house.

### 2. [singular, uncountable] a way of forgetting about a bad or boring situation for a short time

### escape from

Travel can be an escape from the routine drudgery of life.

### 3. [uncountable and countable] an amount of gas, liquid etc that accidentally comes out of the place where it is being kept, or an occasion when this happens:

The lid prevents the escape of poisonous gases.

⇒ ↑fire escape

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## COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

### ■ verbs

- **plan an escape** We planned our escape carefully and waited for just the right moment.
- **prevent an escape** (also **foil an escape formal**) (=stop an escape) Walker grabbed her firmly by the wrist, preventing any chance of escape.
- **make your escape formal** (=to escape) I had to make my escape before the guards returned.

### ■ escape + NOUN

- **an escape attempt/bid** She made several unsuccessful escape attempts before finally getting away.
- **an escape plan** You should have an escape plan in the event of a fire.
- **an escape route** All their escape routes had been blocked.

### ■ phrases

- **have a narrow escape** (=to only just avoid danger or difficulties) The team had a narrow escape from relegation last season.
- **have a lucky escape** We had a lucky escape when a tree crashed through the ceiling.
- **have a miraculous escape** (=be extremely lucky to escape) Ellie had miraculous escape after a firework exploded in her hand.
- **a means of escape** (=a way of escaping) She searched in vain for a means of escape.
- **a chance/hope/possibility of escape** The river offered our only hope of escape.
- **make good your escape literary** (=to succeed in escaping) Dillinger handcuffed the deputy to the desk and made good his escape.

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## COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

### ■ phrases

- **a means of escape** (=a way of forgetting about a bad situation) Drugs and alcohol are their only means of escape.
- **sb's escape route from something** (=someone's only chance of getting away from a bad situation) Bankruptcy offered his only escape route from mounting debt.

## escape

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RANGE: **2k** **ESCAPE** 26172

escape 16290

escaped 5785

escapes 1338

escaping 1987

escapee 109

escapees 236

escaper 0

escapers 0

escapism 194

escapist 161

esc 72

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

7083 **4522**<sup>8795</sup> *vvi*

4439 **5967**<sup>6200</sup> *nn1*

1156 **18087**<sup>1277</sup> *vv0*

16 **187778**<sup>18</sup> *nnu*