

spot**1. [spɒt] n****1. 1) пятно, пятнышко**

spot of mud [of blood, of fat, of ink] - грязное [кровяное, жирное, чернильное] пятно

spot of oil [of wine, of sauce] - пятно от нефти [от вина, от подливки]

spot cleaning - чистка /выводка/ пятен

sun spots - *асгр.* пятна на Солнце

bald spot - плешин(к)а

to get out spots - отчищать пятна

the cloth shows spots easily - это маркая материя

2) крапинка

a blue tie with red spots - синий галстук в красную крапинку

3) «зайчик», световое пятно**2. 1) место, местность, район**

on the spot - на месте [*см. тж.* 

the people on the spot - местные жители; местные работники

spot coverage of the news - корреспонденции /сообщения/ с места событий

danger /hot, trouble/ spots of the world - взрывоопасные /горячие/ точки планеты

beauty spots of the Crimea - красивейшие места Крыма

the favourite vacation spot - излюбленное место для проведения отпуска

to investigate on the spot - расследовать на месте

••x marks the spot - «место отмечено крестом» (на фото и т. п.)****2) место, область чувств**

tender /sore/ spot - больное /уязвимое/ место

weak spot - слабое место

soft spot - слабость, привязанность

she has a soft spot for animals - у неё слабость к животным, она любит животных

3. позор, бесчестье, позорное пятно

without a spot on his reputation - с незапятнанной репутацией

4. 1) прыщик

a face covered with spots - прыщеватое лицо

2) *pl мед.* сыпь**5. очко (на картах, игральных костях и т. п.)**

he drew a jack, a queen and a three spot - он получил валета, даму и тройку

6. *разг.* небольшое количество (еды или питья)

a spot of whisky - глоток виски

a spot of lunch - небольшой перекус, закуска на скорую руку

not a spot of common sense - ни капли здравого смысла

7. *амер. сл.***1) короткий сон**

to get a spot - всхрапнуть, соснуть

2) срок заключения

one spot - год тюрьмы

8. *разг.* место, должность

he's got a good spot with that firm - он занимает хорошую должность в этой фирме

9. *радио, тлв. проф.* место в списке, программе и т. п.

he has one of the best spots in radio - его выступлению отводится одно из самых выигрышных мест в радиопрограмме

the choral group has the second spot on the programme, right after the dancers - хоровой ансамбль выступает вторым, сразу после танцоров

10. *радио, тлв. проф.* короткая рекламная или информационная передача; экстренное сообщение (вне регулярной программы)

the firm booked ten twenty-second spots per week - фирма купила право на десять двадцатисекундных объявлений в неделю

11. номер (*эстрадный*); выступление (*особ. короткое*)**12. *амер. разг.* ресторан; кабак, забегаловка**

night spot - ночной клуб

to hit the night spots - шататься по кабакам; прокутить ночь

13. *разг.***1) (a spot) трудное положение (*тж.* a bad или a tight spot)**

whenever she was in a spot she would write to her father - как только у неё возникали трудности, она писала отцу

2) (the spot) опасность

their opposition put him on the spot - их сопротивление поставило его под удар

gangsters put him on the spot - а) гангстеры приготовили его к смерти; б) гангстеры убили /укокошили/ его

14. *амер. разг.* доллар (*бумажный*)

five spot - пятидолларовая бумажка, пятёрка

can you loan me a ten spot until payday? - нельзя ли у тебя занять десятку до получки?

15. = spotlight I 2**16. *воен.* поправка, корректировка (*стрельбы*)****17. *pl ком., бирж.* наличный товар; товар, готовый к сдаче; товар по кассовым сделкам****18. *полигр. проф.* = spot illustration**

◇ in spot - спорадически, не всегда

he was not unhappy - except in spots - он не чувствовал себя несчастным, разве что временами

on the spot - сразу, тут же, немедленно [см. тж. 2, 1])

there are spots on the sun - *посл.* и на солнце бывают пятна

to hit the spot - *амер.* удовлетворять потребность *или* желание

iced tea hits the spot in summer - чай со льдом - это то, что нужно летом

you hit the spot! - вы попали в самую точку!

a high spot in one's life - яркая страница в жизни человека

to hit the high spots - касаться только главного *или* наиболее интересного; затрагивать только основные моменты

to hit the high spots of Europe - посмотреть в Европе только самое интересное /самые знаменитые места/

this course will hit the high spots of ancient history - в этом курсе будет дан лишь беглый обзор /будут затронуты лишь основные события/ древней истории

to change one's spots - резко изменить свой характер /свои убеждения *и т. п.* /

to knock off smb.'s spots - без труда одержать решительную победу над кем-л. (в *соревновании*); перещегоолять, переплюнуть кого-л.

2. [spot] *v*

1. 1) покрывать пятнами, пачкать, марать, заляпывать

to spot a dress with grease - заляпать жиром платье, посадить на платье жирное пятно

table spotted with ink - стол, закапанный чернилами

2) покрываться пятнами

this silk spots with water - на этом шёлке остаются пятна от воды

this fabric will not spot in the rain - эта ткань не боится дождя

3) выводить пятна (в *химчистке и т. п.*)

4) испещрять, пестрить

we spotted the walls with blue paint - мы расписали стены синими разводами

2. позорить, бесчестить, пятнать

to spot one's reputation [the family name] - запятнать свою репутацию [честь семьи]

3. *разг.*

1) узнать, заметить, увидеть

to spot a friend in a crowd - разглядеть /увидеть/ приятеля в толпе

to spot a mistake - обнаружить ошибку

to spot a hiding child - разыскать спрятавшегося ребёнка

2) опознать, определить

to spot a criminal - опознать преступника

I spotted him at once as an American - я сразу узнал в нём американца

4. установить местонахождение, засечь, обнаружить (*противника и т. п.*)

to spot a transmitter - засечь радиопередатчик

5. располагать, размещать (*особ. с интервалами*); расставлять по местам

to spot field telephones - устанавливать полевые телефоны

to spot chairs here and there in the room - расставить там и сям стулья в комнате

the officer spotted his men - офицер разместил своих людей

6. правильно определять победителя в предстоящих соревнованиях

to spot the winner of a race - определить заранее победителя скачек

7. вставлять в расписание, в программу *и т. п.*; определять время и место (*мероприятия, передачи и т. п.*)

8. *спорт.* дать фору

I spotted him 2 points - я дал ему 2 очка форы

9. *амер.* делать зарубки (*на деревьях*)

10. *воен.* корректировать стрельбу; наблюдать за результатами стрельбы

11. *театр.* осветить прожектором, высветить (*актёра, деталь сцены*)

spot the door when the hero enters - подсвети дверь, когда войдёт герой

spot

spot [spot spots spotted spotting] noun, verb, adjective BrE [spot] ^u NAmE

[spaɪt]

noun

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SMALL MARK

1. a small round area that has a different colour or feels different from the surface it is on

- Which has spots, the leopard or the tiger?
- The male bird has a red spot on its beak.
- (BrE) She was wearing a black skirt with white spots.

see also ↑beauty spot, ↑sunspot

2. a small dirty mark on sth

- His jacket was covered with spots of mud.
- rust spots

3. **usually plural** a small mark or lump on a person's skin, sometimes with a yellow head to it

- The baby's whole body was covered in small red spots.
- (BrE) teenagers worried about their spots

compare ↑pimple, ↑rash, ↑zit

PLACE

4. a particular area or place

- a **quiet/secluded/lonely, etc. spot**
- He showed me **the exact spot** where he had asked her to marry him.
- She stood **rooted to the spot** with fear (= unable to move) .
- a tourist spot
- This is a favourite spot for walkers and climbers.

see also ↑black spot, ↑blind spot, ↑hot spot, ↑nightspot, ↑trouble spot

SMALL AMOUNT

5. **usually singular ~ of sth** (BrE, informal) a small amount of sth

Syn: ↑bit

- He's in a spot of trouble.
- Would you like a spot of lunch?
- She's gone out to do a spot of shopping.

6. **usually plural ~ (of sth)** a small amount of a liquid

- I felt a few spots of rain.

PART OF SHOW

7. a part of a television, radio, club or theatre show that is given to a particular entertainer or type of entertainment

- a **guest/solo spot**

IN COMPETITION

8. a position in a competition or an event

- two teams battling for top spot

LIGHT

9. (informal) = ↑spotlight

more at a/the bright spot **at** ↑bright adj., glued to the spot **at** ↑glue v., hit the spot **at** ↑hit v., knock spots off sb/sth **at** ↑knock v., a leopard cannot change its spots **at** ↑leopard, be riveted to the spot/ground **at** ↑rivet v., have a soft spot for sb/sth **at** ↑soft, a tight spot/corner **at** ↑tight

Word Origin:

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Thesaurus:

spot noun

1. C

- a white dress with red spots

dot • • **patch** • • **mark** •

a spot/dot/patch/mark **on** sth

with spots/dots/patches/marks

a **blue/black/red/etc.** spot/dot/patch/mark

2. C

- His coat was covered with spots of mud.

mark • • **speck** • • **blot** • • **stain** •

a spot/mark/speck/blot/stain **on** sth

a spot/speck/blot **of** sth

an **ink** spot/mark/blot/stain

a **grease** spot/mark/stain

Synonyms:

mark

stain • fingerprint • streak • speck • blot • smear • spot

These are all words for a small area of dirt or another substance on a surface.

mark • a small area of dirt or other substance on the surface of sth, especially one that spoils its appearance: ▫ The kids left dirty marks all over the kitchen floor.

stain • a dirty mark on sth that is difficult to remove, especially one made by a liquid: ▫ blood stains

fingerprint • a mark on a surface made by the pattern of lines on the end of a person's finger, often used by the police to identify criminals: ▫ Her fingerprints were all over the gun.

streak • a long thin mark or line that is a different colour from the surface it is on: ▫ She had streaks of grey in her hair.

speck • a very small mark, spot or piece of a substance on sth: ▫ There isn't a speck of dust anywhere in the house.

blot • a spot or dirty mark left on sth by a substance such as ink or paint being dropped on a surface

smear • a mark made by sth such as oil or paint being spread or rubbed on a surface

spot • a small dirty mark on sth: ▫ There were grease spots all over the walls.

a streak/speck/blot/smear/spot **of** sth

a **greasy** mark/stain/smear

a/an **ink** mark/stain/blot/spot
a/an **grease** mark/stain/spot
to **leave** a mark/stain/fingerprint/streak/speck/blot/smear

Synonyms :

patch

dot • mark • spot

These are all words for a small part on a surface that is a different colour from the rest.

patch • an area of sth, especially one which is different from the area around it: ▪ a white dog with a black patch on its head ◇▪ patches of dense fog

dot • a small round mark on sth, especially one that is printed: ▪ The letters 'i' and 'j' have dots over them. ◇▪ The island is a small green dot on the map.

mark • a noticeable area of colour on the body of a person or animal: ▪ The horse had a white mark on its head.

spot • a small round area that is a different colour or feels different from the surface it is on: ▪ Which has spots, a leopard or a tiger?

a patch/dot/mark/spot **on** sth

with patches/dots/marks/spots

a **blue/black/red, etc.** patch/dot/mark/spot

Synonyms :

place

site • area • position • point • location • scene • spot • venue

These are all words for a particular area or part of an area, especially one used for a particular purpose or where sb/sth is situated or happens.

place • a particular point, area, city, town, building, etc, especially one used for a particular purpose or where a particular thing happens: ▪ This would be a good place for a picnic.

site • the place where sth, especially a building, is or will be situated; a place where sth happened or that is used for a particular purpose: ▪ They've chosen a site for the new school.

area • a part of a room, building or particular space that is used for a special purpose; a particular place on an object: ▪ the hotel reception area ◇▪ Move the cursor to a blank area on the screen.

position • the place where a person or thing is situated; the place where sb/sth is meant to be: ▪ From his position at the top of the hill, he could see the harbour.

The **position** of sb/sth is often temporary: the place where sb/sth is at a particular time.

point • a particular place within an area, where sth happens or is supposed to happen: ▪ the point at which the river divides

location • a place where sth happens or exists, especially a place that is not named or not known: ▪ The company is moving to a new location.

scene • a place where sth happens, especially sth unpleasant: ▪ the scene of the accident

spot • a particular point or area, especially one that has a particular character or where sth particular happens: ▪ The lake is one of the local ▪ beauty spots ▪.

venue • the place where people meet for an organized event such as a performance or sports event

at a place/site/position/point/location/scene/spot/venue

in a(n) place/area/position/location/venue

the place/site/point/location/spot/venue **where...**

the **right** place/site/position/location/spot/venue

a **central** site/position/location/venue

the/sb's/sth's **exact/precise** place/site/position/point/location/spot

Example Bank:

- From his angry reply it was obvious that I had touched a sensitive spot.
- Glamorgan claimed the top spot in the League.
- He stood rooted to the spot, unable to move.
- He usually wears a hat to hide his bald spot.
- I have a blind spot where jazz is concerned.
- It's a beautiful spot to relax and enjoy the peaceful surroundings.
- It's easier to hit the sweet spot on larger-faced golf clubs.
- On your map, X marks the spot where the race begins.
- She had a small beauty spot on the left side of her face.
- She has earned a spot on the national team.
- She pointed to a spot on the map.
- Take the time to find the right spot to pitch your tent.
- That leaves one roster spot, and the team will need a versatile player to fill it.
- The Korean team secured two qualifying spots for the Olympic Games.
- The album quickly reached the number-one spot in the charts.
- The birth of my son was the one bright spot in a terrible year.
- The captain's knee injury leaves the team in a tight spot.
- The children all had measles, and had broken out in spots.
- The fire brigade was on the spot within minutes.
- The lake is one of the local beauty spots.
- They picked a good spot for a picnic.

- a favourite spot for picnickers
- one of the world's major trouble spots
- He has reported from several of the world's major trouble spots.
- He showed me the exact spot where he had asked her to marry him.
- He's in a spot of trouble.
- She stood rooted to the spot with fear.
- She was wearing a white dress with red spots.
- She'll always help you if you're in a spot.
- She's gone out to do a spot of shopping.
- That corner is a notorious accident black spot.
- There are miles of footpaths and plenty of secluded spots.
- There was a spot of rain in the afternoon, but otherwise the weather has been perfect.
- There were grease spots all over the walls.
- This could put the banks in a tight spot.
- We got into a spot of bother with the police.
- Which has spots, a leopard or a tiger?

Idioms: ↑in a spot ▪ ↑on the spot ▪ ↑put somebody on the spot ▪ ↑spotted with something

verb (-tt-)

1. (not used in the progressive tenses) to see or notice a person or thing, especially suddenly or when it is not easy to do so

- ~ **sb/sth** I finally spotted my friend in the crowd.
- I've just spotted a mistake on the front cover.
- Can you spot the difference between these two pictures?
- Her modelling career began when she was spotted at the age of 14.
- Spotting the disease early can save lives.
- ~ **sb/sth doing sth** Neighbours spotted smoke coming out of the house.
- ~ **that...** No one spotted that the gun was a fake.
- ~ **what, where, etc...** I soon spotted what the mistake was.

see also ↑spotter

2. ~ **sb/sth sth** (NAme, sport) to give your opponent or the other team an advantage

- We spotted the opposing team two goals.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	spot
	BrE /spɒt/
	NAme /spɑ:t/
he / she / it	spots
	BrE /spɒts/
	NAme /spɑ:ts/
past simple, past participle	spotted
	BrE /spɒtɪd/
	NAme /spɑ:tɪd/
-ing form	spotting
	BrE /spɒtɪŋ/
	NAme /spɑ:tɪŋ/

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Synonyms:

see

spot • **catch** • **glimpse**

These words all mean to become aware of sb/sth by using your eyes, especially suddenly or when it is not easy to see them/it.

see • to become aware of sb/sth by using your eyes: ▪ She looked for him but couldn't see him in the crowd. ◇▪ He could see (that) she had been crying.

spot • to see or notice sb/sth, especially suddenly or when they are not easy to see or notice: ▪ I've just spotted a mistake on the front cover.

catch • to see or notice sth for a moment, but not clearly or completely: ▪ She ▪ caught sight ▪ of a car in the distance. ◇▪ He ▪ caught a glimpse ▪ of himself in the mirror.

glimpse • (literary) to see sb/sth for a moment, but not clearly or completely: ▪ He'd glimpsed her through the window as he passed.

to see/spot **that/how/what/where/who...**

to **suddenly** see/spot/catch/glimpse sb/sth

Example Bank:

- 'There's a parking space over there.' 'Well spotted!'
- Can you spot the difference between the two?
- He was only seven years old when someone first spotted his talent.
- Most of these fossils are too small to be easily spotted.
- The birds should be easy enough to spot.

- The company spotted an opportunity to expand.
- Her modelling career began when she was spotted by an agent at the age of 14.
- I've just spotted a mistake on the front cover.

adjective only before noun (business)

connected with a system of trading where goods are delivered and paid for immediately after sale

- spot prices

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See also: ↑in place

spot

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I. **spot**¹ **S2 W2** /spɒt \$ spɑːt *BrE* " *AmE* " noun [countable]

[Word Family: adjective: ↑spotted, ↑spotless, ↑spotty; verb: ↑spot; noun: ↑spot; adverb: ↑spotlessly]

[Date: 1100-1200; Origin: Perhaps from Middle Dutch *spotte*]

1. **PLACE** a particular place or area, especially a pleasant place where you spend time:

- " a nice quiet spot on the beach
- " I chose a spot well away from the road.

in a spot

- " a small cottage in an idyllic spot

on a spot

- " Why do they want to build a house on this particular spot?

the exact/same/very spot

- " the exact spot where the king was executed

spot for

- " an ideal spot for a picnic

2. **AREA** a usually round area on a surface that is a different colour or is rougher, smoother etc than the rest **SYN patch**:

- " a white cat with brown spots

spot of

- " Two spots of colour appeared in Jill's cheeks.

3. **MARK** a small mark on something, especially one that is made by a liquid:

- " There was a big damp spot on the wall.

spot of

- " a few spots of blood

4. **ON SKIN**

a) a small round red area on someone's skin that shows that they are ill:

- " He had a high fever and was covered in spots.

b) *British English* a small raised red mark on someone's skin, especially on their face **SYN pimple** :

- " Becka was very self-conscious about her spots.

5. **on the spot**

a) if you do something on the spot, you do it immediately, often without thinking about it very carefully ⇒ **on-the-spot**:

- " He had to make a decision on the spot.

b) if you are on the spot, you are in the place where something is happening:

- " We ought to find out the views of the people on the spot.

c) *British English* if you walk, run, or jump on the spot, you do it staying in the same place, without moving around **SYN in place**

American English:

- " If running outside doesn't appeal, try jogging on the spot indoors.

6. **put somebody on the spot** to deliberately ask someone a question that is difficult or embarrassing to answer

7. **TV/RADIO** a short period of time when someone can speak or perform on radio or television:

- " He was given a 30-second spot just after the news.
- " a guest spot on 'The Tonight Show'

8. **POSITION** a position in a list of things or in a competition:

- " The budget has a regular spot on the agenda.

in a spot

- " Manchester United are still in the top spot after today's win.

9. **weak spot**

a) a point at which someone or something is not very good:

- " I carried on with my questions, sensing a weak spot in his story.

b) *American English* if someone has a weak spot for something, they like it very much:

- " I've always had a weak spot for chocolate.

10. **tight spot** *informal* a difficult situation:

- " This puts the chairman in a very tight spot.
- " I hope you can help get me out of a tight spot.

11. **bright spot** something that is good in a bad situation:

- " The computer industry is the one bright spot in the economy at the moment.
- " The only bright spot of the evening was when the food arrived.

12. **a spot of something** *British English informal* a small amount of something:

" Do you fancy a spot of lunch?

" I've been having a spot of bother (=some problems) with my car.

13. **spots of rain** *British English* a few drops of rain:

" A few spots of rain began to fall.

14. **five-spot/ten-spot etc** *American English spoken* a piece of paper money worth five dollars, ten dollars etc

⇒ ↑beauty spot, ↑blackspot, ↑blind spot, ⇒ **change your spots** at ↑change¹(16), ⇒ ↑G-spot, ⇒ **high point/spot** at ↑high¹(12), ⇒ **hit the spot** at ↑hit¹(28), ⇒ ↑hot spot, ⇒ **knock spots off** at ↑knock¹(19), ⇒ **be rooted to the spot** at ↑root²(5), ⇒ **have a soft spot for somebody** at ↑soft(16), ⇒ ↑trouble spot

II. **spot**² *BrE* " *AmE* " *verb* (past tense and past participle **spotted**, present participle **spotting**) [transitive]

[Word Family: adjective: ↑spotted, ↑spotless, ↑spotty; verb: ↑spot; noun: ↑spot; adverb: ↑spotlessly]

1. to notice someone or something, especially when they are difficult to see or recognize:

" I spotted a police car behind us.

" It can be hard for even a trained doctor to spot the symptoms of lung cancer.

spot somebody doing something

" Meg spotted someone coming out of the building.

difficult/easy to spot

" Drug addicts are fairly easy to spot.

spot that

" One of the station staff spotted that I was in difficulty, and came to help.

2. **be spotted with something** to have small round marks or small pieces of something on the surface:

" The windscreen was spotted with rain.

3. *American English* to give the other player in a game an advantage

spot somebody something

" He spotted me six points and he still won.

III. **spot**³ *BrE* " *AmE* " *adjective* [only before noun]

for buying or paying immediately, not at some future time:

" They won't take credit; they want spot cash.

" He quoted us a spot price for the goods.

spot

Freakuency Pack

12500 **1759**^{MCW}

15000 **967**^{COCA}

RANGE: **2k SPOT** 48378

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spots 11015

spotted 7165

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9 **261189**¹⁰ *nnu*

4 **394808**⁵ *jj*

4 **425239**⁴ *at1*

3 **467514**⁴ *np1*