

breath[breθ] *n*

1. 1) дыхание

second breath - а) *спорт.* второе дыхание; б) новый прилив энергииalternate breath - дыхание на обе стороны (*плавание*)one-side breath - дыхание в одну сторону (*плавание*)

short of breath - страдающий одышкой

to draw breath - а) дышать; б) существовать; [*см. тж.* 1, 2)]

to be out of /to lose one's/ breath - запыхаться, задохнуться

to bate /to hold/ one's breath - затаить дыхание

with bated breath - затаив дыхание

to get one's breath, to gather /to take/ breath - перевести дух, отдышаться

to catch one's breath - а) *разг.* отдышаться; б) затаить дыхание

she caught her breath for joy - от радости у неё перехватило дыхание

2) вздох

to take a deep breath - глубоко вздохнуть

to draw breath - вздохнуть [*см. тж.* 1, 1)]

3) вдыхаемый и выдыхаемый воздух

bad breath - *мед.* дурной запах изо рта

2. 1) дуновение

a breath of fresh air - дуновение свежего ветерка

2) благоухание

the breath of flowers - благоухание цветов

the breath of spring - дыхание весны

3. лёгкий, еле слышный звук; шёпот

below /under/ one's breath - шёпотом, тихо

4. 1) момент, мгновение

2) пауза, передышка

5. 1) запотевание, влажный след от дыхания (*на холодном предмете*)

2) пятно

breath on smb.'s reputation - пятно на чьей-л. репутации

6. *фон.* выдыхание воздуха без вибрации голосовых связок (*при произнесении глухих звуков*)

breath consonant - глухой согласный

7. лёгкий след, намёк

the breath of suspicion - тень подозрения

◇ to draw the first breath - родиться

to draw one's last breath - испустить дух, испустить последний вздох

the breath of one's life, the breath of the nostrils - жизненная необходимость, что-л. необходимое человеку как воздух

to stop smb.'s breath - задушить кого-л.

to take smb.'s breath away - удивить /поразить/ кого-л.

to spend /to waste/ (one's) breath - говорить на ветер, попусту тратить слова

to keep one's breath to cool one's porridge - помалкивать, держать своё мнение при себе; ≅ держать язык за зубами

(all) in a /in one, in the same/ breath - а) одним /единым/ духом, одним залпом, не переводя дыхания; б) одновременно; в то же время

to save one's breath - не трудиться говорить, возражать *u m. n.*, так как это бессмысленно**breath**

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breath [breath breaths] *BrE* [breθ] ^m *NAmE* [breθ] ^m **noun**1. **uncountable** the air that you take into your lungs and send out again

- His breath smelt of garlic.
- bad breath (= that smells bad)
- We had to stop for breath before we got to the top.
- She was very **short of breath** (= had difficulty breathing) .
- While there is breath left in my body, I will refuse.

2. **countable** an amount of air that enters the lungs at one time

- to take a deep breath
- He recited the whole poem in one breath.

3. **singular ~ of sth** (*formal*) a small amount of sth; slight evidence of sth

- a **breath of suspicion/scandal**

4. **singular** a ~ of air/wind (*literary*) a slight movement of air

more at with bated breath **at** ↑bated, catch your breath **at** ↑catch _{v.}, draw breath **at** ↑draw _{v.}, save your breath **at** ↑save _{v.}, waste your breath **at** ↑waste _{v.}

Idioms: ↑breath of air ▪ ↑breath of fresh air ▪ ↑breath of life to somebody ▪ ↑get your breath ▪ ↑his last breath ▪ ↑hold your breath ▪ ↑in the same breath ▪ ↑out of breath ▪ say something/speak under your breath ▪ ↑take somebody's breath away

See also: ↑catch your breath

Word Origin:

Old English bræ̆ŏth 'smell, scent', of Germanic origin; related to ↑brood.

Thesaurus:

breath noun C

• I took a deep breath and began.

gulp • • **gasp** • • **sniff** •

take a breath/gulp/sniff

let out a breath/gasp/sniff

give a gulp/gasp/sniff

Example Bank:

- He came up out of the water gasping for breath.
- He let out a long breath.
- He spoke solidly for twenty minutes, barely pausing to draw breath.
- He was whispering rude remarks about her under his breath.
- His breath came in short gasps.
- How can we trust a government that mentions community care and cutbacks in the same breath?
- How long can you hold your breath for?
- I could smell gin on her breath.
- I felt a bit short of breath and had to sit down.
- I needed a few minutes to get my breath back after the run.
- I'm a bit out of breath after my run.
- I'm going outside for a breath of fresh air.
- It was a still day, without a breath of wind.
- It's useless talking to him— you may as well save your breath.
- She could feel his warm breath against her cheek.
- She paused to catch her breath.
- She poured out her story, hardly pausing for breath.
- Smoking gives you bad breath.
- Take a deep breath and try to relax.
- The new secretary is a breath of fresh air.
- The sheer audacity of the man took my breath away.
- We waited for the decision with bated breath.
- When he said he had resigned, I caught my breath in surprise.
- When the news was announced, there was a sharp intake of breath.
- I opened the window and took a deep breath.
- Take slow, calm breaths until you feel your heartbeat slowing down.

breath

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breath **S3 W2** /breθ/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ noun

[**Word Family**: noun: ↑breath, ↑breather, ↑breathing; adjective: ↑breathless, ↑breathy; verb: ↑breathe; adverb: ↑breathlessly]

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1.

a) [uncountable] the air that you send out of your lungs when you breathe:

Leo could smell the wine on her breath.

Let your breath out slowly.

b) [uncountable] air that you take into your lungs:

When he reached the top of the stairs, his heart was pounding and he was gasping for breath.

c) [countable] an amount of air that you take into your lungs:

Shaun took a deep breath and dived in.

▶ Do not confuse the noun **breath** /breθ/ with the verb **breathe** /briːð/. *She took a breath and continued.* | *I can't breathe in here!*

2. **a breath of fresh air**

a) something that is new and different in a way you think is exciting and good:

Osborne's play brought a breath of fresh air to the British theatre.

b) clean air outside, that you feel you need after being inside for a long time:

I'm going outside for a breath of fresh air.

3. **don't hold your breath** *informal* used to say that something is not going to happen soon:

The system's due for an update, but don't hold your breath.

4. **catch your breath** (*also* **get your breath back**) to start breathing normally again after running or making a lot of effort:

Slow down, I need to catch my breath.

5. **don't waste your breath** (*also* **save your breath**) *spoken* used to say that someone will not be able to persuade someone else, so there is no point in trying:

Save your breath. She's already made up her mind.

Will he listen to me or will I just be wasting my breath?

6. **take sb's breath away** to be extremely beautiful or exciting:

The view from the top will take your breath away.

7. **under your breath** in a quiet voice so that no one can hear you:

'Son of a bitch,' he muttered under his breath.

8. **in the same breath**

a) (also **in the next breath**) used to say that someone has said two things at once that are so different from each other they cannot both be true:

" He criticized the film, then predicted in the same breath that it would be a great success.

b) if you mention two people or things in the same breath, you show that you think they are alike or are related:

" I became nervous when the doctor mentioned my mother's name and 'cancer' in the same breath.

in the same breath as/with

" a young poet mentioned in the same breath as T.S. Eliot

9. **with your last/dying breath** at the moment when you are dying:

" With his last breath, he cursed his captors.

10. [**singular**] **written** a very small amount or a sign of something

breath of

" They did everything they could to avoid the slightest breath of scandal.

11. **a breath of air/wind** *literary* a slight movement of air:

" Scarcely a breath of air disturbed the stillness of the day.

⇒ **with bated breath** at ↑**bated**

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COLLOCATIONS

■ verbs

- **take a breath** (=breathe in) Alex took a deep breath, then jumped into the pool.
- **let your breath out** (=breathe out) Let your breath out slowly and relax.
- **hold your breath** (=not breathe out for a few seconds or minutes) How long can you hold your breath underwater?
- **be out of breath** (=have difficulty breathing after running, hurrying etc) Andrew hurried in, slightly out of breath.
- **be short of breath** (=be unable to breathe easily because you are ill, old etc) Near the top of the mountain I started to feel short of breath.
- **gasp/fight for breath** (=have difficulty breathing) He was lying on the floor gasping for breath.
- **get your breath back** (also **catch your breath**) (=start breathing normally again) He leant against a tree until he had got his breath back.
- **pause for breath** She talked solidly for five minutes, hardly pausing for breath.
- **draw breath** *written* (=breathe) I hid behind the door, hardly daring to draw breath.

■ adjectives

- **bad breath** (=that smells unpleasant) Smoking gives you bad breath.
- **a deep/long breath** (=in which you breathe a lot of air in slowly) She took a deep breath and knocked on the door.
- **a shallow breath** (=in which you breathe a small amount of air in) Shallow breaths are often a sign of nervousness.

■ phrases

- **shortness of breath** (=when you are unable to breathe easily) Symptoms include dizziness and shortness of breath.
- **an intake of breath** (=when you breathe in very quickly and suddenly, especially because you are surprised) He gave a sharp intake of breath. | His first response was a sharp intake of breath.

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