

1. [нз:s] *n*

1. няня, нянька

2. кормилица, мамка

3. 1) сиделка; санитарка

male nurse - санитар [см. *тж.* 2)]2) медицинская сестра (*тж.* trained или registered nurse)Nurse Corps - *амер. воен.* служба медицинских сестёрmale nurse - брат милосердия [см. *тж.* 1)]

district nurse - районная фельдшерица; патронажная сестра

4. хранитель (*традиций и т. п.*); колыбель (*свободы и т. п.*)

the nurse of souls - духовный наставник

ancient Greece was the nurse of learning - Древняя Греция была колыбелью учёности

5. нянченье, пестование

6. дерево, дающее защиту другому

7. *энт.*1) пчела-кормилица (*тж.* nurse bee)2) самка-кормилица у муравьёв (*тж.* nurse ant)◇ at nurse - а) на попечении няни; б) в руках доверенных лиц /опекунов/ (*об имении*)to put (out) to nurse - а) отдать на попечение няни /кормилицы/; б) передать (*имение*) в руки доверенного лица /опекуна/2. [нз:s] *v*

1. 1) кормить грудью; выкармливать ребёнка

to nurse dry - отнимать от груди, кормить рожком

she did not nurse her child - она сама не кормила своего ребёнка

2) быть кормилицей

3) сосать, брать грудь (*о ребёнке*)

4) пить медленно, посасывать, пригубливать

he nursed a drink all evening - он растянул стакан (вина) на весь вечер

2. 1) нянчить; ухаживать за детьми; быть няней

to nurse to sleep - убаюкать

2) ухаживать, обхаживать

to nurse the constituency - обрабатывать избирателей чтобы добиться своего избрания

to nurse one's public - добиваться популярности, угождать публике

to nurse an estate - быть рачительным хозяином имения

she nursed her brother through his university examinations - она опекала своего брата /заботилась о своём брате/, пока он держал экзамены в университете

3. 1) ухаживать за больным(и)

to nurse back to health - выходить (больного)

2) быть медицинской сестрой или фельдшерицей

3) быть сиделкой

4. 1) бережно обращаться

to nurse an injured leg - оберегать раненую ногу

to nurse a horse - беречь лошадь

to nurse a car - бережно водить автомобиль

2) лечить

he cannot come; he is nursing a cold - он не может прийти, он (сидит дома и) лечится от простуды

to nurse away a cold - избавиться от насморка

this disease is very hard to nurse - это заболевание с трудом поддаётся излечению

5. 1) выращивать, холить (*растение и т. п.*)

to nurse to a certain size - вырастить до известного размера

2) (in) воспитывать (*в определённых условиях*)

to be nursed in luxury - воспитываться в роскоши

6. 1) лелеять; питать, таить

to nurse a hope - лелеять надежду

to nurse wrath - затаить злобу

to nurse a quarrel - разжигать ссору

to nurse a scheme - вынашивать план

to nurse a fancy [a grievance] - носиться с фантастической мыслью [с обидой]

2) поощрять, развивать, растить

to nurse the arts - поощрять развитие искусств

to nurse embers into a flame - раздуть тлеющие угли в пламя

7. держать в объятиях, на коленях; нежно прижимать к груди

to nurse a lap-dog - ласкать собачку

to nurse one's knees - сидеть, обхватив руками колени

8. *сл.* ехать следом, неотступно следовать (*особ. об автобусах конкурирующих компаний*); теснить

◇ to nurse the fire - сидеть, склонившись над огнём

to have a lot of unsaleable stock to nurse - иметь на руках много неходких товаров

nurse [nurse nurses nursed nursing] **noun, verb** *BrE* [nɜːs] *NAmE* [nɜːr]

noun

1. a person whose job is to take care of sick or injured people, usually in a hospital

- a qualified/registered nurse
- student nurses
- a male nurse
- a dental nurse (= one who helps a dentist)
- a psychiatric nurse (= one who works in a hospital for people with mental illnesses)
- Nurse Bennett
- Nurse, come quickly!

see also ↑charge nurse, ↑district nurse, ↑practical nurse, ↑registered nurse, ↑staff nurse

2. (also **nurse-maid**) (old-fashioned) (in the past) a woman or girl whose job was to take care of babies or small children in their own homes

see also ↑nursery nurse, ↑wet nurse

Word Origin:

late Middle English: contraction of earlier **nourice**, from Old French, from late Latin **nutricia**, feminine of Latin **nutricius** '(person) that nourishes', from **nutrix**, **nutric-** 'nurse', from **nutrire** 'nourish'. The verb was originally a contraction of ↑**nourish**, altered under the influence of the noun.

More About:

gender

Ways of talking about men and women

When you are writing or speaking English it is important to use language that includes both men and women equally. Some people may be very offended if you do not. [The human race](#)

Man and **mankind** have traditionally been used to mean 'all men and women'. Many people now prefer to use **humanity**, the human race, human beings or people. [Jobs](#)

The suffix -ess in names of occupations such as actress, hostess and waitress shows that the person doing the job is a woman. Many people now avoid these. Instead you can use actor or host, (although actress and hostess are still very common) or a neutral word, such as **server** for [waiter](#) and [waitress](#).

Neutral words like assistant, worker, person or officer are now often used instead of -man or -woman in the names of jobs. For example, you can use police officer instead of [policeman](#) or [policewoman](#), and spokesperson instead of [spokesman](#) or [spokeswoman](#). Neutral words are very common in newspapers, on television and radio and in official writing, in both *BrE* and *NAmE*.

When talking about jobs that are traditionally done by the other sex, some people say: a male secretary/nurse/model (NOT man) or a woman/female doctor/barrister/driver. However this is now not usually used unless you need to emphasize which sex the person is, or it is still unusual for the job to be done by a man/woman: ▫ My daughter prefers to see a woman doctor. ◇ ▫ They have a male nanny for their kids. ◇ ▫ a female racing driver [Pronouns](#)

He used to be considered to cover both men and women: ▫ Everyone needs to feel he is loved. This is not now acceptable.

Instead, after everybody, everyone, anybody, anyone, somebody, someone, etc. one of the plural pronouns they, them, and their is often used: ▫ Does everybody know what they want? ◇ ▫ Somebody's left their coat here. ◇ ▫ I hope nobody's forgotten to bring their passport with them.

Some people prefer to use he or she, his or her, or him or her in speech and writing: ▫ Everyone knows what's best for him or herself. He/she or (s)he can also be used in writing: ▫ In doubt, ask your doctor. He/she can give you more information. (You may find that some writers just use 'she'.) These uses can seem awkward when they are used a lot. It is better to try to change the sentence, using a plural noun. Instead of saying: ▫ A baby cries when he or she is tired you can say ▫ Babies cry when they are tired.

Example Bank:

- the children's staff nurse
- a dental nurse
- a psychiatric nurse
- a qualified/registered nurse

verb

1. **transitive** ~ **sb** to care for sb who is ill/sick or injured

- He worked in a hospital for ten years nursing cancer patients.
- She **nursed** her daughter **back to health**.
- She nursed her husband devotedly through his last illness.

2. **transitive** ~ **sth** to take care of an injury or illness

- Several weeks after the match, he was still nursing a shoulder injury.
- You'd better go to bed and nurse that cold.
- (figurative) She was nursing her hurt pride.

3. **transitive** ~ **sth** (formal) to have a strong feeling or idea in your mind for a long time

Syn: ↑harbour

- to **nurse an ambition/a grievance/a grudge**
- She had been nursing a secret desire to see him again.

4. **transitive** ~ **sth** to give special care or attention to sb/sth

- to nurse tender young plants
- He nursed the car up the steep hill.

5. **transitive** ~ **sb/sth** to hold sb/sth carefully in your arms or close to your body

- He sat nursing his cup of coffee.

6. **intransitive, transitive** (of a woman or female animal) to feed a baby with milk from the breast

Syn: †suckle

- a **nursing mother**
- ~ **sb/sth** The lioness is still nursing her cubs.

compare †breastfeed

7. **intransitive** (of a baby) to suck milk from its mother's breast

Syn: †suckle

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | nurse |
| | BrE /nɜːs/ |
| | NAmE /nɜːrs/ |
| he / she / it | nurses |
| | BrE /nɜːsɪz/ |
| | NAmE /nɜːrɪsɪz/ |
| past simple, past participle | nursed |
| | BrE /nɜːst/ |
| | NAmE /nɜːrst/ |
| -ing form | nursing |
| | BrE /nɜːsɪŋ/ |
| | NAmE /nɜːrɪsɪŋ/ |

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Collocations:

Illnesses

Becoming ill

- catch** a cold/an infectious disease/the flu/(BrE) flu/pneumonia/a virus/(informal) a bug
- get** (BrE) ill/(NAmE) sick/a disease/AIDS/breast cancer/a cold/the flu/(BrE) flu/a migraine
- come down with** a cold/the flu/(BrE) flu
- contract** a deadly disease/a serious illness/HIV/AIDS
- be infected with** a virus/a parasite/HIV
- develop** cancer/diabetes/a rash/an ulcer/symptoms of hepatitis
- have** a heart attack/a stroke
- provoke/trigger/produce** an allergic reaction
- block/burst/rupture** a blood vessel
- damage/sever** a nerve/an artery/a tendon

Being ill

- feel** (BrE) ill/sick/nauseous/queasy
- be running** (BrE) a temperature/(NAmE) a fever
- have** a head cold/diabetes/heart disease/lung cancer/a headache/(BrE) a high temperature/(NAmE) a fever
- suffer from** asthma/malnutrition/frequent headaches/bouts of depression/a mental disorder
- be laid up with/ (BrE) be in bed with** a cold/the flu/(BrE) flu/a migraine
- nurse** a cold/a headache/a hangover
- battle/fight** cancer/depression/addiction/alcoholism

Treatments

- examine** a patient
- diagnose** a condition/disease/disorder
- be diagnosed with** cancer/diabetes/schizophrenia
- prescribe/be given/be on/take** drugs/medicine/medication/pills/painkillers/antibiotics
- treat sb for** cancer/depression/shock
- have/undergo** an examination/an operation/surgery/a kidney transplant/therapy/chemotherapy/treatment for cancer
- have/be given** an injection/(BrE) a flu jab/(NAmE) a flu shot/a blood transfusion/a scan/an X-ray
- cure** a disease/an ailment/cancer/a headache/a patient
- prevent** the spread of disease/further outbreaks/damage to the lungs
- be vaccinated against** the flu/(BrE) flu/the measles/(BrE) measles/polio/smallpox
- enhance/boost/confer/build** immunity to a disease

Example Bank:

- He was nursed back to health by his devoted servant.

- He worked in a hospital for ten years, nursing cancer patients.

See also: ↑nursemaid

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nurse

I. **nurse**¹ **S2 W3** /nɜːs/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

[Word Family: **noun**: ↑nurse, ↑nursery, ↑nursing; **verb**: ↑nurse]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: nurice, from Latin nutricius; ⇒ ↑nutritious]



1. someone whose job is to look after people who are ill or injured, usually in a hospital:

- The nurse is coming to give you an injection.
- The school nurse sent Sara home.
- a male nurse
- a senior nurse
- a student nurse (=someone who is learning to be a nurse)
- a psychiatric nurse (=a nurse for people who are mentally ill)
- a community nurse ⇒ ↑district nurse, ↑staff nurse

2. **old-fashioned** a woman employed to look after a young child **SYN** nanny

⇒ ↑nursery nurse, ↑wet nurse

II. **nurse**² **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ *verb*

[Word Family: **noun**: ↑nurse, ↑nursery, ↑nursing; **verb**: ↑nurse]

[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: nursh 'to nourish' (14-16 centuries), from nourish; influenced by ⇒ ↑nurse¹]

1. SICK PEOPLE

- a) [transitive] to look after someone who is ill or injured:
- He's been nursing an elderly relative.
 - After Ray's operation, Mrs Stallard nursed him back to health.

- b) [intransitive usually in progressive] to work as a nurse:
- She spent several years nursing in a military hospital.

2. **REST** [transitive not in passive] to rest when you have an illness or injury so that it will get better:

- Shaw has been nursing an injury, and will not play on Sunday.

3. FEED A BABY

- a) [intransitive and transitive] **old-fashioned** if a woman nurses a baby, she feeds it with milk from her breasts **SYN** breast-feed:
- information on nutrition for nursing mothers

- b) [intransitive] if a baby nurses, it sucks milk from its mother's breast

4. **YOUR FEELINGS** [transitive not in passive] to keep a feeling or idea in your mind for a long time, especially an angry feeling

nurse a grudge/grievance/ambition etc

- For years he had nursed a grievance against his former employer.

5. **TAKE CARE OF SOMETHING** [transitive] to take special care of something, especially during a difficult situation

nurse something through/along etc

- He bought the hotel in 1927 and managed to nurse it through the Depression.

6. **DRINK** [transitive] **informal** if you nurse a drink, especially an alcoholic one, you drink it very slowly:

- Oliver sat at the bar, nursing a bottle of beer.

7. **HOLD** [transitive] **literary** to hold something carefully in your hands or arms close to your body:

- a child nursing a kitten

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THESAURUS

- **take care of somebody** (also **look after somebody especially British English**) to make sure a child or an old or sick person is safe and has the things they need: I have to look after my little brother. | Taking care of a baby is hard work. | She is taking care of her grandmother while her grandfather is in hospital.
- **care for somebody** to take care of someone. **Care for somebody** is less common and more formal than **take care of/look after somebody**: He was cared for by a team of nurses. | Caring for an elderly relative can be very rewarding.
- **nurse** to look after someone who is ill: He nursed his wife through a long illness. | The monks nursed him back to health (=looked after him until he was well again).
- **babysit** to look after children in the evening while their parents go out somewhere: I'll ask Jane to babysit on Wednesday night. | He used to babysit for Mary when she worked nights.
- **mind British English** to look after a child while their parents are not there, especially for a short time: Will you mind the baby while I go to the shop?

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