

**bust**

I

- [bʌst] *n*
- 1) бюст (*скульптура*)
  - 2) поясной портрет  
bust shot - поясное изображение (*по телевидению*)
  - 2) 1) верхняя часть тела
  - 2) грудь (*женщины*); бюст

II

- [bʌst] *n*
  - 1) = burst I 5
  - 2) удар  
to give smb. a bust on the nose - дать кому-л. по носу
  2. *амер. сл.* халтура, серятина (*о кинокартине и т. п.*)
  3. крах, банкротство
  4. *сл.*
    - 1) арест, задержание
    - 2) полицейская облава; налёт полиции
- [bʌst] *a*
  - 1) сломанный  
my watch is bust - мои часы сломались
  - 2) обанкротившийся  
to go bust - остаться без копейки, обанкротиться  
bust! - пропал!, крышка!, конец!, лопнуло!
- [bʌst] *v*
  1. взломать  
to bust the lock - взломать замок
  2. сломать, разбить  
the radio is busted - приёмник испорчен
  3. *разг.*
    - 1) разорить
    - 2) разориться, обанкротиться  
the show has busted - театральное предприятие лопнуло
  4. *разг.* бить, ударять
  5. *груб. см.* burst II
  6. *воен. жарг.*
    - 1) понизить в звании; смещать с должности
    - 2) разжаловать в рядовые
  7. *разг.* укрощать, объезжать (*лошадь*)
  8. *сл.* арестовать
  9. разгромить (*организацию*); развалить (*группу и т. п.*)  
◇ to bust one's ass - *сл.* стараться изо всех сил; ≅ лезть из кожи вон

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**bust** [bʌst bʌsts busted busting] *verb, noun, adjective* BrE [bʌst] <sup>4</sup> NAmE [bʌst]

**verb** (**bust, bust** or **bust-ed, bust-ed**)(informal)

- ~ **sth** to break sth
  - I bust my camera.
  - The lights are busted.
  - Come out, or I'll bust the door down!
- ~ **sb/sth (for sth)** (*of the police*) to suddenly enter a place and search it or arrest sb
  - He's been busted for drugs.
- ~ **sb** (*especially NAmE*) to make sb lower in military rank as a punishment

**Syn:** ↑demote

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	bust
	BrE /bʌst/
	NAmE /bʌst/
he / she / it	busts
	BrE /bʌsts/
	NAmE /bʌsts/
past simple, past participle	bust
	BrE /bʌst/
	NAmE /bʌst/busted
	BrE /bʌstɪd/
	NAmE /bʌstɪd/
-ing form	busting
	BrE /bʌstɪŋ/
	NAmE /bʌstɪŋ/

Word Origin:

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**v. and n. sense 3 adj.** mid 18th cent. 'an act of bursting or splitting' ↑burst

Example Bank:

- He was busted for drunk driving
- The cops busted the place frequently.

Idioms: ↑bust a gut ▪ ↑... or bust

Derived ↑bust something up ▪ ↑bust up

**noun**

- 1. a stone or metal model of a person's head, shoulders and chest**
  - a marble bust of Napoleon
- 2. (used especially when talking about clothes or measurements) a woman's breasts or the measurement around the breasts and back**
  - What is your bust measurement, Madam?
  - The dress was too big in the bust.
  - exercises to tone the bust
- 3. (informal) an unexpected visit made by the police in order to arrest people for doing sth illegal**
  - a drug bust
- 4. (NAme) a thing that is not good**
  - As a show it was a bust.

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Example Bank:

- Her bust reduced from 40 to 34 inches as a result of her diet.
- The dress is made to fit up to a 40-inch bust.
- The prime minister unveiled a bust of the former president.

**adjective not usually before noun (informal)**

- 1. (BrE) broken**
  - My watch is bust.
- 2. (of a person or business) failed because of a lack of money**

**Syn:** ↑bankrupt

- We're bust!
- We lost our money when the travel company **went bust**.

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**I. bust**<sup>1</sup> /bʌst/ **BrE** " **AmE** " **verb** (past tense and past participle **bust** **British English**, **busted** **especially American English**) [**transitive**]

[**Date:** 1700-1800; **Origin:** burst]

- 1. BREAK** **informal** to break something:

- " I bust my watch this morning.
- " Tony busted the door down.

- 2. POLICE**

- a)** if the police bust someone, they charge them with a crime:

- " He was busted by US inspectors at the border.

**bust somebody for something**

- " Davis got busted for drugs.

- b)** **informal** if the police bust a place, they go into it to look for something illegal:

- " Federal agents busted several money-exchange businesses.

- 3. TRY HARD** **bust a gut** (also **bust your butt/ass** **American English spoken**) **informal** to try extremely hard to do something:

- " I bust a gut trying to finish that work on time.

- 4. MONEY** **American English informal** to use too much money, so that a business etc must stop operating:

- " The trip to Spain will probably bust our budget.

- 5. crime-busting/union-busting/budget-busting etc** **informal** used with nouns to show that a situation is being ended or an activity is being stopped:

- " crime-busting laws

- 6. ... or bust!** **informal** used to say that you will try very hard to go somewhere or do something:

- " Idaho or bust!

7. **MILITARY** especially *American English* to give someone a lower military rank as a punishment **SYN demote**

**bust out** *phrasal verb informal*

to escape from a place, especially prison

**bust up** *phrasal verb informal*

1. *British English* if people bust up, they end their relationship or friendship **SYN break up**:

" They bust up after six years of marriage. ⇒ ↑**bust-up**(1)

2. **bust something** ↔ **up** to prevent an illegal activity or bad situation from continuing **SYN break up**:

" A couple of teachers stepped in to bust up the fight.

3. **bust something** ↔ **up** *American English* to damage or break something:

" A bunch of bikers busted up the bar.

4. *American English* to start laughing a lot **SYN crack up**:

" Elaine busted up laughing at the sight of him.

II. **bust**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* " *AmE* " *noun* [countable]

[Sense 1-3: Date: 1600-1700; Language: French; Origin: buste, from Italian busto, from Latin bustum 'place where a body is buried, statue put by such a place']

[Sense 4: Date: 1900-2000; Origin: ⇒ ↑**bust**<sup>1</sup>]

1. a model of someone's head, shoulders, and upper chest, usually made of stone or metal

**bust of**

" a bust of Beethoven

2. a woman's breasts, or the part of her clothes that covers her breasts

3. a measurement around a woman's breast and back:

" a 36-inch bust

4. *informal* a situation in which the police go into a place in order to catch people doing something illegal:

" a drug bust

⇒ **boom to bust** at ↑**boom**<sup>1</sup>(1)

III. **bust**<sup>3</sup> *BrE* " *AmE* " *adjective* [not before noun]

[Date: 1900-2000; Origin: From a past participle of ⇒ ↑**bust**<sup>1</sup>]

1. **go bust** *informal* a business that goes bust cannot continue operating

2. *British English informal* broken:

" The television's bust again.

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Frequency Pack

12500 **1779**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **4345**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **3k** BUST <sup>4198</sup>

bust <sup>3427</sup>

busts <sup>560</sup>

busty <sup>92</sup>

bustier <sup>119</sup>

bustiest <sup>0</sup>

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

<sup>1568</sup> **13597**<sup>1974</sup> *nn1*

<sup>621</sup> **26545**<sup>684</sup> *vvi*

<sup>423</sup> **32991**<sup>471</sup> *vv0*

<sup>247</sup> **45386**<sup>266</sup> *jj*

<sup>17</sup> **192838**<sup>17</sup> *vvn*

<sup>14</sup> **207440**<sup>15</sup> *vvd*