

soul**1. [səʊl] n****1. 1) душа, сердце**

that man has no soul - это бессердечный /бездушный/ человек

he put his heart and soul into his work - он вложил всю душу в свою работу

with all my soul - а) от всей души, от всего сердца; б) всей душой

2) *рел.* душа, дух

departed souls - души усопших

God rest his soul - упокой, господи, его душу

2. 1) сущность, неотъемлемое свойство, основа

brevity is the soul of wit - краткость - душа остроумия

discipline is the soul of the army - без дисциплины нет армии

2) символ, олицетворение

to be the soul of punctuality - быть олицетворением точности

he is the soul of honour - он воплощённое благородство

3) центральная фигура, вдохновитель

she is the (life and) soul of the party - она душа общества

3. человек

poor soul - бедняга

simple soul - простака, простодушный человек, простая душа

a kindly soul - добряк, добрая душа

poor little soul! - бедняжка!

be a good soul and say nothing about it - сделай милость, ничего не говори об этом

there were 300 souls on board - на борту находилось 300 человек /душ/

don't tell a soul - никому не говори

I don't know a soul here - я здесь никого не знаю

I did not see a soul in the street - на улице не было ни души

4. *редк.* склонность, тяготение

I have a soul for music - я люблю музыку

5. 1) душа, задушевность (в исполнении музыки, *особ.* негритянской)**2) соул (стиль блюза)****6. *амер.* дух негритянского народа; самосознание (американских) негров****7. соул, негритянская музыка (*мж.* soul music)****8. негритянская кухня (*мж.* soul food)**

◇ soul pence - *церк.* деньги на помин души

not to be able to call one's soul one's own - не быть самому себе хозяином; не сметь пикнуть

(up)on my soul! - клянусь!, честное слово!, ей-богу!

2. [səʊl] а сл.**1) негритянский, чёрный**

Soul City - Гарлем

soul brother - брат по цвету кожи, чёрный брат

soul sister - сестра по цвету кожи, чёрная сестра

soul food - негритянское блюдо; негритянская кухня

soul rock - рок-блюз

soul music - соул, негритянская музыка

2) принадлежащий неграм

soul shops - магазины, принадлежащие чёрным

soul

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soul [soul souls] BrE [səʊl] ^m NAmE [saʊl] ^m noun**SPIRIT OF PERSON****1. countable** the spiritual part of a person, believed to exist after death

• He believed his immortal soul was in peril.

• The howling wind sounded like the wailing of lost souls (= the spirits of dead people who are not in heaven) .

INNER CHARACTER**2. countable** a person's inner character, containing their true thoughts and feelings

• There was a feeling of restlessness deep in her soul.

SPIRITUAL/MORAL/ARTISTIC QUALITIES**3. singular** the spiritual and moral qualities of humans in general

Syn: ↑psyche

• the dark side of the human soul

4. uncountable, countable strong and good human feeling, especially that gives a work of art its quality or enables sb to recognize and enjoy that quality

• It was a very polished performance, but it lacked soul.

5. singular the ~ of sth a perfect example of a good quality

- He is the soul of discretion.

PERSON

- 6. countable** (becoming old-fashioned) a person of a particular type
 - She's lost all her money, poor soul.
 - You're a brave soul.
- 7. countable** (especially in negative sentences) a person
 - There wasn't a soul in sight (= nobody was in sight) .
 - Don't tell a soul (= do not tell anyone) .
 - (literary) a village of 300 souls (= with 300 people living there)

MUSIC

- 8. (also 'soul music) uncountable** a type of music that expresses strong emotions, made popular by African American musicians
 - a soul singer
- more at** bare your soul (to sb) **at** [↑]**bare** _{v.}, body and soul keep body and soul together **at** [↑]**body**, God rest his/her soul **at** [↑]**god**, heart and soul **at** [↑]**heart**, the life and soul of the party etc. **at** [↑]**life**, sell your soul (to the devil) **at** [↑]**sell** _{v.}

Idiom: [↑]**good for the soul**

See also: [↑]**soul music**

Word Origin:

Old English sǣwol, sǣw(e)l, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **ziel** and German **Seele**.

Culture:

Soul music developed out of [↑]**gospel** and [↑]**rhythm and blues** in the 1950s and 1960s. The most famous form of soul music was **Motown**. Well-known soul singers include James **Brown**, Marvin **Gaye**, The [↑]**Supremes**, Aretha Franklin, Otis **Redding**, Roberta Flack and Stevie Wonder.

Thesaurus:

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- His poetry deals with the dark side of the human soul.

spirit • • **mind** • • **the/your subconscious** • | **psychology** **ego** •

the **human** soul/spirit/mind

Soul or spirit? **Spirit** is a more positive word than **soul**. We talk about **lost/tormented/troubled souls** but **the power of the human spirit**.

Collocations:

Religion

Being religious

believe in God/Christ/Allah/free will/predestination/heaven and hell/an afterlife/reincarnation

be/become a believer/an atheist/an agnostic/a Christian/Muslim/Hindu/Buddhist, etc.

convert to/practise/ (especially US) practice a religion/Buddhism/Catholicism/Christianity/Islam/Judaism, etc.

go to church/(NAmE) temple (= the synagogue)

go to the local church/mosque/synagogue/gurdwara

belong to a church/a religious community

join/enter the church/a convent/a monastery/a religious sect/the clergy/the priesthood

praise/worship/obey/serve/glorify God

Celebrations and ritual

attend/hold/conduct/lead a service

perform a ceremony/a rite/a ritual/a baptism/the Hajj/a mitzvah

carry out/perform a sacred/burial/funeral/fertility/purification rite

go on/make a pilgrimage

celebrate Christmas/Easter/Eid/Ramadan/Hanukkah/Passover/Diwali

observe/break the Sabbath/a fast/Ramadan

deliver /preach/hear a sermon

lead /address the congregation

say/recite a prayer/blessing

Religious texts and ideas

preach/proclaim/spread the word of God/the Gospel/the message of Islam

study/follow the dharma/the teachings of Buddha

read/study/understand/interpret scripture/the Bible/the Koran/the gospel/the Torah

be based on/derive from divine revelation

commit/consider sth heresy/sacrilege

Religious belief and experience

seek/find/gain enlightenment/wisdom

strengthen/lose your faith

keep/practise/practice/abandon the faith

save/purify/lose your soul

obey/follow/keep/break/violate a commandment/Islamic law/Jewish law

be/accept/do God's will

receive /experience divine grace
 achieve /attain enlightenment/salvation/nirvana
 undergo a conversion/rebirth/reincarnation
 hear/answer a prayer
 commit/confess/forgive a sin
 do/perform penance

Example Bank:

- By midnight, there wasn't a soul in sight.
- Deep in her soul she knew she had to return to her country.
- God rest his soul.
- He bared his soul to her.
- He gave himself heart and soul to the cause.
- He let out an anguished cry from the depths of his soul.
- I don't know a single soul in this town.
- I searched my soul for any malice that could have provoked his words, but found none.
- I will not tell a soul about this.
- In the process of being made into a film, the story seemed to have lost its soul.
- Laughter is good for the soul.
- May God have mercy on my soul.
- Missionaries saw it as their task to save souls.
- She gave herself to him body and soul.
- She sang the song with passion and soul.
- She was a part of his soul.
- The dog was howling like a soul in torment.
- The messenger god, Hermes, leads dead souls into the underworld.
- The plea touched him to his very soul.
- There was no other living soul to be seen.
- They recognized each other as kindred souls.
- a battle for the soul of the country
- a kind old soul
- an argument for the immortality of the soul
- poor little soul
- to sell your soul to the Devil
- A few brave souls queued all night to get tickets for centre court.
- His poetry deals with the dark side of the human soul.
- I won't tell a soul.
- It means bad news for some poor soul.
- She's completely exhausted, poor soul!
- The howling wind sounded like the wailing of lost souls.
- There was not a soul about/in sight/to be seen.
- You mustn't tell a living soul what I just told you.

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soul **S3 W3** /səʊl \$ soul/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u *noun*

[Language: Old English; Origin: sawol]

1. SB'S SPIRIT [countable] the part of a person that is not physical, and that contains their character, thoughts, and feelings. Many people believe that a person's soul continues to exist after they have died. ⇒ **spirit**:

the immortality of the soul

It was as if those grey eyes could see into the very depths of her soul.

in sb's soul

the restlessness deep in his soul

the souls of the dead

2. PERSON [countable] used in particular phrases to mean a person

happy/sensitive/brave/simple etc soul

He is really quite a sensitive soul.

not a (living) soul (=no one)

I promise I won't tell a soul.

not a soul in sight/not a soul to be seen

The night was dark and still, and there was not a soul in sight.

poor (old) soul (=used to show pity for someone)

The poor old soul had fallen and broken her hip.

3. MUSIC (also **soul music**) [uncountable] a type of popular music that often expresses deep emotions, usually performed by black singers and musicians:

He listens to a lot of soul.

a soul band

4. SENSE OF BEAUTY [uncountable]

a) the ability to be emotionally affected by art, music, literature etc:

My brother thinks that anyone who doesn't like poetry has no soul.

b) the quality that affects people emotionally, that a painting, piece of music etc can have:

Her performance was technically perfect, but it lacked soul.

5. **SPECIAL QUALITY** [**uncountable**] the special quality or part that gives something its true character

soul of

" Basho's poems capture the true soul of old Japan.

6. **be the soul of discretion** to always be extremely careful to keep secrets:

" Leon is the very soul of discretion.

7. **be good for the soul** if something is good for the soul, it is good for you and you should do it, even though it may seem unpleasant – often used humorously:

" They say that hardship is good for the soul.

8. **God rest his/her soul** used when you mention the name of someone who is dead:

" My father, God rest his soul, died here at Vernison Hall.

9. **PEOPLE IN A PLACE** **souls** [**plural**] *literary* the number of souls in a place is the number of people who live there:

" a village of two or three hundred souls

10. **bless my soul/upon my soul** *old-fashioned spoken* used to express surprise

⇒ **bare your soul** at †bare²(2), ⇒ **be the life and soul of the party** at †life(16), ⇒ **keep body and soul together** at †body(13),

⇒ **heart and soul** at †heart(2), ⇒ **sell your soul (to the devil)** at †sell¹(9)

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