

self**1. [self] n (pl selves)****1) своё «я»; сущность, облик, склад, совокупность свойств (человека)**

my own /very/ self - моя собственная персона; моё собственное «я»

one's better self - лучшее, что есть в человеке

one's former self - то, чем человек был раньше

my former self - моё прежнее «я»

to be one's own self - быть самим собой

he is quite his old self again - он опять такой же, как и был

he became his silent self again - он вновь стал таким же молчаливым, как и был

to be in love with one's own self - быть влюблённым в самого себя

one and the same self - верный (самому) себе, не меняющийся

a secret self he had enclosed within - своё настоящее «я» он скрывал в тайниках души

to get a glimpse of Shakespeare's very self in the Sonnets - почувствовать самую душу Шекспира, читая его сонеты

2) сущность (чего-л.)

the expression of beauty's self - выражение самой /истинной/ красоты

3) книжн. личность, субъект, моё «я»

to be conscious of self - осознать самого себя

the study of the self - самоанализ

4) филос. эго; индивид как объект своего сознания**2. в сочетании с притяжательным местоимением и часто прил.:**

your dear self - ты, дорогой

our two selves - мы оба, мы с тобой

their hideous wives, their horrid selves and dresses - эти страшные люди, их ужасные жёны и ужасная одежда

your good selves - Вы (в коммерческих письмах)

our noble selves! - за наше здоровье!, за нас! (тост)

be your natural self - ≅ не ломайся, не притворяйся другим, чем ты есть

3. собственные, эгоистические интересы

thoughts centered on self - мысли, занятые только собой /своими интересами/

cares for nothing but self - заботы только о себе /о своих интересах/

to put self first - ставить свои личные интересы на первое место, исходить из личных интересов

to have no thought of self - забывать /не думать/ о себе

self is a bad guide to happiness - эгоизм не ведёт к счастью

self is his God and selfishness is his religion - его бог - он сам, а эгоизм - его религия

to rise above self - стоять выше личных интересов

◇ my second self, my other self - моё второе «я», моя правая рука, самый близкий друг

self comes first - ≅ своя рубашка ближе к телу

2. [self] a**1) однородный, сплошной, цельный; несмешанный (о цвете, материале)**

self trimming - отделка из того же материала

self belt - пояс из того же материала что платье /пальто/

a wooden tool with self handle - деревянный инструмент с такой же ручкой

2) одноцветный, одинаковый по цвету

self carnation - одноцветная гвоздика

3. [self] v обыкн. pass**1) оплодотворяться самоопылением****2) размножаться инбридингом****4. [self] indef pron****1) я сам(а)**

a room for self and wife - комната для меня и жены

self and friend took train for London - я (сам) и ещё (один) человек сели в поезд, отправлявшийся в Лондон

2) он (сам); она (сама)

a cheque drawn to self - чек, выписанный на себя

pay to self - оплачивается только лицу, подписавшему чек (надпись на чеках)

a ticket admitting self and friend - билет на двоих

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

self [**self selves**] BrE [**self**]¹ NAmE [**self**]¹ noun (pl. **selves** BrE [**selvz**]¹ ; NAmE [**selvz**]¹)**1. countable, usually singular** the type of person you are, especially the way you normally behave, look or feel• You'll soon be feeling **your old self** again (= feeling well or happy again) .• He's not **his usual happy self** this morning.• Only with a few people could she be **her real self** (= show what she was really like rather than what she pretended to be) .• his **private/professional self** (= how he behaves at home/work)**2. uncountable (also the self singular) (formal)** a person's personality or character that makes them different from other people

• Many people living in institutions have lost their sense of self (= the feeling that they are individual people) .

• the inner self (= a person's emotional and spiritual character)

• a lack of confidence in the self

3. uncountable (formal) your own advantage or pleasure rather than that of other people

- She didn't do it for any reason of self.
 - Self, self, self! That's all you ever think about!
4. **countable** used to refer to a person
- You didn't hurt your little self, did you?
 - We look forward to seeing Mrs Brown and **your good self** this evening
- see** be a shadow/ghost of your former self **at** ↑former

Word Origin:

Old English, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **zelf** and German **selbe**. Early use was emphatic, expressing the sense '(I) myself', '(he) himself', etc.

Example Bank:

- He was afraid to reveal his innermost self.
- He's his usual cheerful self again.
- Her private and public selves were vastly different
- I was very thirsty (note to self: bring water on walks!).
- She knew his better self would struggle to serve her best interests.
- She knew that with a holiday he would be back to his former self.
- a book about reaching for one's better self
- a movie about a boy who falls in love and finds his true self in the process
- He argues that there has been an increased focus on the self.
- He's not his usual happy self this morning.
- It is now fashionable to concentrate on healing the inner self.
- Many people living in institutions have lost their sense of self.
- Only with a few people could she be her real self.
- Such problems stem from deep insecurity and a lack of confidence in the self.
- You'll soon be feeling your old self again.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

self **S2 W3** /self/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ **noun** (plural **selves** /selvz/)

[Language: Old English]

1. **[countable usually singular]** the type of person you are, your character, your typical behaviour etc

sb's usual/normal self

▪ Sid was not his usual smiling self.

be/look/feel (like) your old self (=be the way you usually are again, especially after having been ill, unhappy etc)

▪ Jim was beginning to feel like his old self again.

sb's true/real self (=what someone is really like, rather than what they pretend to be like)

▪ Peter was the only one to whom she showed her true self.

2. **sb's sense of self** someone's idea that they are a separate person, different from other people:

▪ a child's developing sense of self

3. **be a shadow/ghost of your former self** to not be as healthy, strong etc as you used to be

4. **[uncountable]** a word written in business letters, on cheques etc meaning yourself:

▪ a cheque written to self

5. **[countable]** used to refer to a person:

▪ a picture of a journalist and your good self (=you)

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COLLOCATIONS

■ **adjectives**

▪ **your normal/usual self** When she came home at Christmas she seemed very quiet and not her normal self.

▪ **your old self** (=the way you were before an illness or other change) He sounded more like his old self than the last time she had called.

▪ **your true/real self** (=your real character) At last he had revealed his true self.

▪ **your inner self** (=your real character or feelings that are usually hidden from other people) Over the years she had put up barriers to protect her inner self.

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