

swing**1. [swɪŋ] n**

1. 1) качание; колебание

the swing of the pendulum - качание маятника [*см. тж.* 2)]

on the swing - качаясь

to give the hammock a swing - раскачать гамак

2) колебание; поворот, изменение

the swing of the tides - чередование /смена/ приливов и отливов

a sudden swing of public opinion - резкое изменение общественного мнения

the swing of the pendulum - а) взлёты и спады; чередование успехов и неудач; б) *полит.* чередование стоящих у власти партий [*см. тж.* 1)]

2. 1) размах, взмах

the horse drove off flies with the swing of his tail - конь отогнал мух взмахом хвоста

2) *спорт.* мах; замах

arm swing - мах рукой

obtained swing - выработанный мах

that player's swing is too short - у этого игрока слишком короткий замах

swing mount [dismount] - наскок [соскок] махом

3) *физ.* размах, амплитуда качания3. *тж. sing* мерное, ритмичное движение; непринуждённая походка

to walk with a swing - идти ритмичным шагом /непринуждённой походкой/

4. *тж. sing* ритм

5. качели

to sit in a swing - сидеть на качелях

6. поворот

to give the handle a swing - повернуть ручку

the car started up at the first swing - машина завелась с первого раза

7. 1) ход, развитие

in full swing - в полном разгаре

negotiations are now in full swing - переговоры идут теперь полным ходом

the train approached at full swing - поезд приближался на всех парах

to get into the swing of the work - а) войти в курс дела; when you have got into the swing of things ... - когда ты войдёшь в курс дела ...; б) включиться в ритм работы

2) естественный ход

let it have its swing - пусть всё идёт своим чередом [*ср. тж.* 8]

8. свобода действий

to give free swing to one's temper - дать волю своему гневу

he gave us full swing in the matter - он предоставил нам полную свободу действий в этом деле

to have /to take/ one's swing - а) наслаждаться /пользоваться/ полной свободой; б) «погулять», перебеситься; [*ср. тж.* 7, 2)]

9. поездка; объезд; турне

to return from a swing through eight African nations - возвратиться из поездки по восьми африканским странам

swing round the circle - *амер.* предвыборная поездка по стране (*кандидата в президенты*)10. 1) суинг, свинг, разновидность джазовой музыки (*тж. swing music*)

2) ритм свинга

11. свинг, боковой удар (*бокс*)12. *ком. разг.* колебание курсов *или* курса на бирже13. *тех.* максимальное отклонение стрелки (*прибора*)14. *тех.* высота центров над направляющими (*в Англии*); удвоенная высота центров над направляющими (*в США*)15. *воен. жарг.* санный автопоезд

◇ to go with a swing - успешно проходить, идти как по маслу

2. [swɪŋ] v (swung)

1. 1) качать, колебать; раскачивать; размахивать

to swing the bells - раскачивать колокола

to swing one's arms - размахивать руками

to swing one's legs - болтать ногами

to swing the hips - покачивать бёдрами

2) качаться, колебаться; раскачиваться

to swing in the wind - качаться /покачиваться, колыхаться/ на ветру

his arms swung as he walked - он размахивал руками, когда ходил

3) забрасывать, закидывать

he swung the bag onto his back - он закинул мешок на /за/ плечо

to swing oneself into the saddle - вскочить в седло

4) бросаться, кидаться

to swing into the moving train - вскочить в поезд на ходу

the monkey swung (itself) from branch to branch - обезьяна перебиралась с ветки на ветку

2. 1) вертеть, поворачивать

to swing the car round - развернуть машину

to swing the door open - распахнуть дверь настежь

to swing one's forces - *воен.* перебрасывать войска (*с одного направления на другое*)

2) **вертеться, поворачиваться, разворачиваться**

the car swung round the corner - машина (резко) завернула за угол

the whole line swung to the left - вся колонна /шеренга/ сделала поворот /повернулась/ налево

the door has swung to [open] - дверь захлопнулась [распахнулась]

the door swings outward [inward] - дверь открывается наружу [внутрь]

to swing at anchor - **мор.** разворачиваться на якорю

to swing into line - **мор.** заходить в линию, вступать в строй

to swing round to confront smb. - резко повернуться лицом к кому-л.

the breeze had swung round - ветер переменялся /стал дуть с противоположной стороны/

3. **идти, двигаться мерным или непринуждённым шагом**

to swing merrily along - весело маршировать /отбивать шаг/

4. 1) **вешать, подвешивать**

to swing smth. up - поднимать что-л

to swing up a heavy load with a crane - поднять тяжёлый груз с помощью крана

2) **разг.** вздёрнуть (на виселицу)

5. 1) **висеть**

to swing from the ceiling [from the roof] - висеть на потолке [на крыше]

the lantern swung from the roof - на крыше висел фонарь

2) **разг.** быть повешенным, болтаться (на виселице)

even if I should swing for it - даже если меня за это повесят

6. **парить**

a hawk swung above us - над нами парил ястреб

7. **амер.**

1) **добиваться перелома**

to swing the market - резко изменить биржевую конъюнктуру

2) **успешно проводить**

to swing an election - победить на выборах

3) **разг.** склонять на свою сторону; добиваться решения в свою пользу

to swing a lot of votes - завоевать массу голосов; повести за собой многих избирателей

8. 1) **исполнять джазовую музыку в стиле свинга**

2) **разг.** любить музыку, **особ.** джаз

9. **разг.**

1) **круто менять (мнение и т. п.); направлять в другую сторону (внимание, интерес)**

2) **резко меняться; принимать совершенно другую точку зрения**

to swing constantly from pessimism to optimism - попеременно впадать то в пессимизм, то в оптимизм

10. **разг.**

1) **жить полной жизнью, наслаждаться жизнью, быть жизнерадостным, деятельным, не отставать от жизни**

2) **вести беспорядочную половую жизнь**

11. **подходить друг другу (о двоих); понимать друг друга; сходиться во взглядах, вкусах и т. п.**

12. **разг.** привлекать; волновать; удовлетворять требованиям; подходить под настроение

13. **разг.** бить наотмашь, с размаху; замахиваться

to swing from the heels - а) ударить с размаху; б) резко выступить; he came out swinging from the heels - он обрушился на противника

I made a harmless remark to some guy in the street and he swung at me - я сделал безобидное замечание какому-то типу на улице, а он полез на меня с кулаками

14. **сл.** суметь, ухитриться (сделать или добыть)

he was not able to swing a new car on his salary - на свою зарплату он не может обзавестись новой машиной

◇ to swing the lead - **сл.** симулировать

to swing round the circle - **амер.** совершать агитационную поездку во время предвыборной кампании

no room to swing a cat in - ≅ повернуться негде; яблоку негде упасть

swing it! - живо!

swing

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swing [swing swings swung swinging] verb noun BrE [swɪŋ] ^m NAmE [swɪŋ]

verb (swung, swung BrE [swʌŋ] ^m; NAmE [swʌŋ] ^m)

HANG AND MOVE

1. **intransitive, transitive** to move backwards or forwards or from side to side while hanging from a fixed point; to make sth do this

- His arms swung as he walked.
- As he pushed her, she swung higher and higher (= while sitting on a swing) .
- ~ **from sth** A set of keys swung from her belt.
- ~ **sth** He sat on the stool, swinging his legs.

2. **intransitive, transitive** to move from one place to another by holding sth that is fixed and pulling yourself along, up, etc

- + **adv./prep.** The gunshot sent monkeys swinging away through the trees.
- ~ **yourself + adv./prep.** He swung himself out of the car.

MOVE IN CURVE

3. **intransitive, transitive** to move or make sth move with a wide curved movement

- **+ adv./prep.** A line of cars swung out of the palace gates.
- **~ sth + adv./prep.** He swung his legs over the side of the bed.
- **+ adj.** The door swung open.
- **~ sth + adj.** She swung the door open.

TURN QUICKLY

4. **intransitive, transitive** to turn or change direction suddenly; to make sth do this
- **+ adv./prep.** She swung back to face him.
 - The bus swung sharply to the left.
 - **~ sth + adv./prep.** He swung the camera around to face the opposite direction.

TRY TO HIT

5. **intransitive, transitive** to try to hit sb/sth
- **~ at sb/sth** She swung at me with the iron bar.
 - **~ sth (at sb/sth)** He swung another punch in my direction.

CHANGE OPINION/MOOD

6. **intransitive, transitive** to change or make sb/sth change from one opinion, mood, etc. to another
- **~ (from A) (to B)** The state has swung from Republican to Democrat.
 - **~ (between A and B)** His emotions swung between fear and curiosity.
 - The game could swing either way (= either side could win it).
 - **~ sb/sth (to sth)** I managed to swing them round to my point of view.

DO/GET STH

7. **transitive (informal)** to succeed in getting or achieving sth, sometimes in a slightly dishonest way
- **~ sth** We're trying to **swing it** so that we can travel on the same flight.
 - **~ sb sth** Is there any chance of you swinging us a couple of tickets?

OF MUSIC

8. **intransitive** to have a strong rhythm

OF PARTY

9. **intransitive (informal)** if a party, etc. is swinging, there are a lot of people there having a good time
- more at** no room to swing a cat **at** ↑room _n.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	swing
	BrE /sɪŋ/
	NAme /sɪŋz/
he / she / it	swings
	BrE /sɪŋz/
	NAme /sɪŋz/
past simple, past participle	swung
	BrE /sɪŋ/
	NAme /sɪŋ/
-ing form	swinging
	BrE /'sɪŋɪŋ/
	NAme /'sɪŋɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English swigan 'to beat, whip', also 'rush', geswing 'a stroke with a weapon', of Germanic origin; related to German **schwingen** 'brandish'.

Example Bank:

- He swung up into the saddle and rode off.
- Hearing a sarcastic note in his voice, she swung around to face him.
- Her mood could swing rapidly from gloom to exhilaration.
- I could see him swinging from the branch of a large tree.
- Let your arms swing freely at your sides.
- Niccolò swung towards her.
- Nick swung towards/toward her.
- Opinion swung heavily to the left.
- She lashed out, her arm swinging wildly.
- She let the door swing shut behind her.
- She swung down from the tree in one easy movement.
- The balance of power swung wildly from one party to the other.
- The pendulum swung slowly backwards and forwards.
- The pendulum swung slowly from side to side.
- The road swung sharply around.
- As he pushed her, she swung higher and higher.
- He swung round to face the crowd.

- He swung the car round in a dangerous U-turn.
- She sat on a stool swinging her legs.
- She swung around angrily, her eyes blazing.
- Suddenly she swung back on her heel.
- The elephant swung its trunk from side to side.
- The game could swing either way.
- The rope was swinging slightly in the breeze.

Idioms ↑get in the swing ▪ ↑go with a swing ▪ ↑in full swing ▪ ↑swing both ways ▪ ↑swing for the fences ▪ ↑swing into action ▪ ↑swing the balance ▪ ↑swing the lead ▪ ↑swings and roundabouts

Derived ↑swing by ▪ ↑swing by something

noun



MOVEMENT

1. **countable** a swinging movement or rhythm

- He took a wild swing at the ball.
- the swing of her hips

OF OPINION/MOOD

2. **countable** a change from one opinion or situation to another; the amount by which sth changes

- He is liable to abrupt **mood swings** (= for example from being very happy to being very sad) .
- Voting showed a 10% swing to Labour.
- There are indications of a swing towards nuclear power.

HANGING SEAT

3. **countable** a seat for swinging on, hung from above on ropes or chains

- The kids were playing on the swings.

IN GOLF

4. **singular** the swinging movement you make with your arms and body when you hit the ball in the game of ↑golf

- I need to work on my swing.

MUSIC

5. **uncountable** a type of ↑jazz with a smooth rhythm, played especially by big dance bands in the 1930s

JOURNEY

6. **singular** (NAmE) a quick journey, especially one made by a politician, in which sb visits several different places in a short time

- a three-day campaign swing through California

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Example Bank:

- Her dad pushed her on the swing.
- Ohio is a swing state in the presidential election.
- She suffers from severe mood swings.
- Some kids were playing on the swings.
- The Conservativessuffered an adverse swing of 6%.
- The golfers were practising/practicing their swings.
- The party needs a swing of only 2.5% to win the seat.
- There was a political swing of the pendulum back to the right.
- This represents a swing of 14% against the party.
- a dramatic swing against the socialists
- a late swing towards the Tories
- a sharp swing in the attitudes of economists
- golfers practising their swings
- his sudden swings of mood
- signs of a late swing to the Democrats
- the swing away from science in schools
- the technique for making the perfect golf swing

- violent swings in policy
- He is liable to abrupt mood swings.
- Voting showed a 10% swing to Labour.

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I. **swing**¹ **W3** /swɪŋ/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *verb* (past tense and past participle **swung** /swʌŋ/)

[Language: Old English; Origin: *swingan* 'to beat, go quickly']

1. **MOVE FROM A FIXED POINT** [*intransitive and transitive*] to make regular movements forwards and backwards or from one side to another while hanging from a particular point, or to make something do this:

- Let your arms swing as you walk.
- a sign swinging in the wind
- He was swinging his bag back and forth.
- She swung her legs from side to side.

swing something by something

- He marched around, swinging the gun by its handle.

2. **MOVE IN A CURVE** [*intransitive, transitive always + adverb/preposition*] to move quickly in a smooth curve in one direction, or to make something do this:

- A black car swung into the drive.
- Kate swung her legs out of bed.

swing open/shut

- The heavy door swung shut.
- Swinging her bag over her shoulder, she hurried on.

3. **HIT** [*intransitive and transitive*] to move your arm or something you are holding to try and hit something

swing something at somebody/something

- She swung her bag at him.

swing at somebody/something (with something)

- Garson swung at the ball and missed.
- He started swinging at me with his fists.

4. **CHANGE OPINIONS/EMOTIONS** [*intransitive and transitive*] if emotions or opinions swing, or if something swings them, they change quickly to the opposite of what they were

swing from something to something

- His mood could swing from joy to despair.
- Do campaign gifts swing votes?
- The war had begun to swing in Britain's favor.

swing to the Right/Left (=in politics)

5. **swing into action** to suddenly begin work that needs doing, using a lot of energy and effort:

- Politicians have already swung into action.

6. **PLAY** [*intransitive*] to sit on a swing and make it move backwards and forwards by moving your legs

7. **ARRANGE SOMETHING** [*transitive*] *spoken* to arrange for something to happen, although it takes a lot of effort to do this:

- We managed to swing it so that they will travel together.

8. **swing both ways** *informal* someone who swings both ways is [↑]*bisexual*

9. **swing the lead** *British English* to avoid work by pretending to be ill

⇒ **there's not enough room to swing a cat** at [↑]*room*¹(5)

swing around/round *phrasal verb*

to turn around quickly, or to make something do this:

- She swung around to face him.

swing something/somebody ↔ around/round

- He swung the boat around and headed for the shore.

swing by *phrasal verb American English informal*

swing by (something) to visit a place or person for a short time:

- I ^ˈswung by the grocery store on my way.

II. **swing**² *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun*



1. **SEAT WITH ROPES** [*countable*] a seat hanging from ropes or chains, usually used by children to play on by moving it forwards and backwards using their legs:

- kids playing on the swings
- a porch swing

2. **MOVEMENT** [countable] a curved movement made with your arm, leg etc:

- He took a swing at (=tried to hit) my head and missed.
- the swing of her hips as she walked

3. **CHANGE** [countable] a noticeable change in opinions or emotions

swing to/towards/between etc

- a big swing towards right-wing ideology
- She suffers from mood swings.

4. **SPORTS** [singular] the movement you make when you hit the ball in †golf, baseball, or some other sports:

- I spent months correcting my swing.

5. **MUSIC** [uncountable] a type of dance music played by a big band in the 1930s and 1940s that is similar to †jazz

6. **get into the swing of it/things** to become fully involved in an activity:

- Once we got into the swing of it, it took no time at all.

7. **be in full swing** if an event or process is in full swing, it has reached its highest level of activity:

- By midnight, the end-of-course party was in full swing.

8. **go with a swing** *British English* if a party or activity goes with a swing, it is enjoyable and successful:

- everything you need to make your party go with a swing

9. **swings and roundabouts** *British English* used to say that two choices have an equal number of gains and losses, so there is little difference between them

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THESAURUS

- change** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a situation in which someone or something becomes different, or the act of making something different: There was a sudden change in the weather. | We are living in a period of great change. | He was told to make some slight changes to his essay.
- alteration** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change, especially a small one that happens naturally or gradually, or one that is made in order to improve something: I noticed a slight alteration in her behaviour. | They had to make some alterations to their original theory.
- reform** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change made to a system or law in order to improve it: He called for a reform of our outdated voting system. | Many people opposed the economic reforms.
- shift** *noun* [countable] a change, especially in people's attitudes or in the way they do things, or in the position of someone or something: a shift in public opinion about the war | There has been a noticeable shift in government policy on education. | There needs to be a major shift away from road transport to rail transport. | After he died, there was a dramatic shift in the balance of power.
- swing** a big change, especially in someone's opinions or moods: There has been a big swing toward the Democrats (=many more people are supporting them). | The drug can cause mood swings.
- fluctuation** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change in something - used when something changes often: fluctuations in the value of the dollar | temperature fluctuations | fluctuations in his mood | There has been some fluctuation in productivity levels.

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RANGE: **3k** SWI **NC**⁵⁴⁵⁷

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