

**mixture**

[ˈmɪkstʃə] *n*

1. смесь

- explosive mixture - взрывчатая смесь
- rich mixture - густая смесь
- without mixture - без примеси
- the family is an odd mixture - эта семья представляет собой любопытную смесь (разных характеров)
- the mixture as before - всё то же самое; ≅ тех же щей, да пожиже влей

2. смешивание

3. *фарм.* микстура

4. *текст.* смеска (волокна)

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**mix·ture** [mixture mixtures] *BrE* [ˈmɪkstʃə(r)] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [ˈmɪkstʃər] <sup>u</sup> **noun**

1. **countable, usually singular** a combination of different things

- The city is a mixture of old and new buildings.
- We listened to the news with a mixture of surprise and horror.
- Anger is often caused by frustration or embarrassment, or a mixture of the two.

2. **countable, uncountable** a substance made by mixing other substances together

- cake mixture
- Add the eggs to the mixture and beat well.

**see also** ↑cough mixture

3. **countable (technical)** a combination of two or more substances that mix together without any chemical reaction taking place

**compare** ↑compound *n.*

4. **uncountable** the act of mixing different substances together

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from French **mixture** or Latin **mixtura**, from **miscere** 'to mix'.

Thesaurus:

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**combination** • • **blend** • • **variety** • • **range** • • **array** • • **assortment** • • **diversity** • • **composite** • |often approving **mix** •  
 a/an mixture/blend/combination/variety/range/array/assortment/diversity/composite/mix **of** sb/sth  
 a/an **wonderful** mixture/blend/combination/variety/range/array/assortment/diversity/mix  
 a/an **interesting** mixture/blend/combination/variety/range/array/assortment/mix  
 a/an **unusual/strange** mixture/blend/combination/assortment/mix

**Mixture or combination?** A **combination** of things has often been put together deliberately; a **mixture** of things often just happens.

2. **C, U**

- Add an extra egg to the cake mixture.

**mix** • • **blend** • • **alloy** • • **cocktail** • • **concoction** • |technical **compound** • • **solution** • • **suspension** •  
 a **special** mixture/mix/blend/concoction  
 a **cake/spice** mixture/mix  
 a mixture/alloy/compound/solution/suspension **contains/containing sth**

**Mixture or mix?** A **cake mixture** is the substance you make by adding all the ingredients; a **cake mix** is a powder that you buy and to which you simply add liquid.

Example Bank:

- Gradually beat the flour into the egg mixture.
- He looked at me with a mixture of amazement and horror.
- Lust and revenge are a heady mixture.
- Pour the cake mixture into the bowl.
- The cloth is made from a mixture of linen and cotton.
- The mixture contains some ingredients that are difficult to find.
- The pond contains a mixture of goldfish and carp.
- a heady mixture of desire and fire
- a judicious mixture of young and experienced players
- an eclectic mixture of architectural styles
- An alloy is a mixture of two types of metal.
- Spread the cake mixture into a greased baking tin.

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**mix·ture** **S3 W3** /ˈmɪkstʃə \$ -ər/ *BrE* <sup>u</sup> *AmE* <sup>u</sup> **noun**

[Word Family: **noun:** ↑mix, ↑mixer, ↑mixture; **verb:** ↑mix; **adjective:** ↑mixed]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Old French; Origin: misture, from Latin mixtura, from mixtus; ⇨ ↑mix<sup>1</sup>]

1. [**countable**] a combination of two or more different things, feelings, or types of people  
 mixture of

- " The town is a mixture of the old and the new.
- " the mixture of different people living in the city
- " She felt a strange mixture of excitement and fear.
- " a mixture of emotions

2. [uncountable and countable] a liquid or other substance made by mixing several substances together, especially in cooking ⇒

### compound

#### mixture of

- " Fill the bread with a mixture of lettuce, tomatoes, and cucumbers.
- " Pour the mixture into four small dishes.

3. [countable] *technical* a combination of substances that are put together but do not mix with each other

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## THESAURUS

- **mixture** several different substances, ideas, qualities etc that have been put together, especially so that they form one thing: Pour the mixture into the cake pan and bake for 50 minutes. | He looked at her with a mixture of admiration and curiosity.
- **combination** two or more different things, substances etc that are used together or work together: Doctors use a combination of drugs to combat the disease. | The business failed due to a combination of bad management and a lack of experience.
- **blend** a mixture of two or more things, qualities, or characteristics, especially ones that combine successfully or in a pleasant way: The England team is a good side, with a nice blend of experience and youthful energy. | The sauce uses a blend of different ingredients.
- **a cross between something and something** a mixture of very different things – used when you are describing what something looks or sounds like: The building looked like a cross between a museum and a spaceship. | Her music sounds like a cross between the Rolling Stones and Amy Winehouse.
- **hybrid** /'haɪbrəd, 'haɪbrɪd/ something that is produced by combining two or more things, especially using advanced scientific methods: Scientists are combining human and animal embryos to create genetic hybrids. | These industries use a hybrid of different technologies. | The plant is a hybrid of wheat and rye.
- **amalgam** /ə'mælgəm/ *formal* a mixture of different things, in which you can still recognize the original features: The record is an amalgam of hard rock, jazz, and blues.
- **synthesis** *formal* something that has been made by combining different things, especially information or ideas: The essay should be a synthesis of the information from various sources.

### ■ an untidy mixture

- **jumble** a lot of different things mixed together in an untidy way: Rae looked through the jumble of old record albums and tapes.
- **mishmash/hodgepodge** *informal* a mixture of a lot of different things, styles etc that do not seem right together: If you look closely at the individual buildings they are a real hodgepodge of styles. | The story is a bit of a mishmash.

### ■ a mixture of chemical substances

- **compound** a chemical substance that contains atoms of two or more <sup>↑</sup>elements: common chemical compounds such as sodium chloride
- **solution** a liquid mixed with a solid or a gas: a weak sugar solution

## mixture

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15000 **2113** COCA

RANGE: **3k** MIXTURE 16042

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