

sweep**1. [swi:p] n****1. выметание, подметание**

to give a room a good sweep - как следует /хорошенько/ подмести комнату

2. 1) трубочист

as black as a sweep - чумазый, как трубочист

2) грязнуля**3) подметальщик улиц****4) *амер.* уборщик комнат в студенческом общежитии****3. *разг.* негодяй; тёмная личность****4. *тж. pl* сор, мусор****5. течение; непрерывное движение**

the sweep of the tides - приливы и отливы

6. скольжение

to move with a sweep - скользить, двигаться плавно

she moves with a dignified sweep - её походка величава

7. размах; взмах

the sweep of a scythe - взмах /размах/ косы

a sweep of the oars - взмах вёсел

with a wide sweep of the arm - широким жестом

8. 1) размах; диапазон

within [beyond] the sweep of the guns - в пределах [вне пределов] досягаемости орудий

2) пространство, охватываемое взглядом, горизонт, кругозор

the sweep of vision - видимое пространство

beyond the sweep of the telescope - за пределами досягаемости телескопа

3) простор

the sweep of meadows - простор лугов

9. круг, охват

an extensive sweep (of concepts) - широкий круг (понятий)

to bring one's arguments within the sweep of one's audience - сделать свои доводы понятными для слушателей

the sweep of human intelligence - пределы человеческого разума

10. изгиб; поворот

sweep outline - выгиб

the sweep of a motor car's lines - контур автомобиля

to take /to make/ a sweep - а) изгибаться, образовывать изгиб; б) делать поворот, разворот

a wide sweep leads up to the house - дорога к дому широко изогнулась дугой

11. длинное весло**12. журавль (*колодца*)****13. 1) полная победа****2) *карт.* выигрыш**

to make a clean sweep - всё выиграть, взять все взятки, сделать большой шлем *и т. п.* [*ср. тж.* ◇]

14. *разг. см.* sweepstake**15. 1) наступление, *особ.* стремительное****2) действия авиации по уничтожению выгодных целей и самолётов противника****16. 1) поиск (*самолёта, корабля*)****2) *мор.* траление****17. *мор.* трал**

with sweeps out - с выпущенными тралами

sweep vessel - тралящее судно, тральщик

sweep obstructor - противотральноепрепятствие

18. крыло ветряного двигателя**19. *метал.* шаблон (*для формовки без модели*)****20. *элк.* развёртка****21. *ав.* стреловидность (*крыла*)**

◇ at a /one/ sweep - одним ударом, сразу

to make a clean sweep of smth. - полностью отделаться /избавиться/ от чего-л.; ≅ под метёлку вымести [*ср. тж.* 13, 2)]

the fire made a clean sweep of the village - пожар стёр деревню с лица земли; деревня сгорела дотла

2. [swi:p] v (*swept*)**1. мести, подметать; прочищать**

to sweep the floor - подметать пол

to sweep out the room - подмести в комнате

to sweep the chimneys - чистить дымоходы

to sweep the deck - мести палубу [*см. тж.* 5, 1) и 18, 1)]

to sweep a chamber with gas - *физ.* продуть камеру газом

to sweep clean - а) чисто подметать; б) очистить, «подчистить»; to sweep the table clean - съесть всё, что было на столе; to

sweep the bunkers clean - *мор.* израсходовать весь уголь

2. 1) *воен.* «прочёсывать», вести разведку

to sweep the sea(s) - а) вести разведку на море; to sweep the sea for enemy ships - искать в море корабли противника; б)

очистить море (*от неприятеля*); [*ср. тж.* 6]

- 2) вести поиск пропавшего самолёта
3. **мор.** тралить, производить траление
to sweep clear - протраливать
to sweep for mines - тралить мины
to sweep for an anchor - искать якорь (*под водой*)
4. сгребать, сметать (*в кучу*); собирать
to sweep the litter into a corner - замести мусор в угол
to sweep smth. into one's pocket - сгрести что-л. себе в карман
5. 1) сметать, смахивать
he swept the book off the desk - он смахнул книги со стола
to sweep the deck - смывать палубу [*см. тж. 1 и 18, 1*]
to sweep aside - отбрасывать
he swept aside doubts - он отбросил сомнения
- 2) уничтожать, сносить
to sweep with fire - **воен.** смести огнём
to sweep all before one(self) - сметать всё на своём пути
he swept all obstacles from his path - он уничтожил все препятствия на своём пути
a storm swept the town - буря опустошила город
6. нестись, мчаться, рваться (*тж. sweep along, sweep over*)
to sweep by - проноситься мимо
to sweep the seas - бороздить моря [*ср. тж. 2, 1*]
the searchlights swept the sky - лучи прожекторов прорезали небо
to sweep right through the enemy - прорываться через расположение противника
to sweep into the realm of international politics - вторгаться в международную политическую жизнь
hurricanes swept over the country - ураганы пронесли над всей страной
the rivers swept out of their confines washing away topsoil crop land - реки вырвались из берегов, смывая верхний плодородный слой земли
7. 1) нести, мчать
we were swept into the road by the crowd - толпа вынесла нас на дорогу
- 2) увлекать
he swept his audience along with him - он увлёк своих слушателей
8. тащить, волочить
9. ходить, двигаться величаво
the actress swept on to the stage - актриса величаво выплыла на сцену
she swept out of the room - она с достоинством покинула комнату
the procession swept into the hall, preceded by trumpeters - процессия, возглавляемая трубачами, торжественно проследовала в зал
10. обуть, охватить
to sweep the country - охватить всю страну; пронестись по всей стране
war swept over Europe - война охватила (всю) Европу
11. охватывать; окидывать (*взглядом*)
to sweep one's eyes over smb. - окинуть кого-л. взглядом
his glance swept from right to left - он скользил взглядом справа налево
to sweep the sea [the sky] with a searchlight [with a telescope] - обшаривать море [небо] прожектором [телескопом]
12. гнуть в дугу; изгибать
13. вычерчивать
14. 1) простираться, тянуться
the road sweeps round the lake - дорога вьётся вокруг озера
the shore sweeps to the south in a wide curve - к югу берег образует широкую дугу
- 2) волочиться, тащиться
her dress sweeps the ground - её платье волочится по земле
15. 1) касаться, проводить (*рукой*)
his hands swept (over) the keyboard - его пальцы пробежались по клавиатуре
- 2) **поэт.** касаться пальцами струн (*музыкального инструмента*)
16. **разг.**
- 1) **спорт.** выиграть
- 2) одержать полную победу
to sweep a constituency - получить подавляющее большинство голосов избирателей
to sweep the election - одержать полную победу на выборах
to be swept into power - прийти к власти, получив на выборах подавляющее большинство голосов
the administration swept into power in 1945 was to remain in office for over six years - правительство, победившее на выборах в 1945 г., оставалось у власти ещё шесть лет
to sweep the board - а) **карт.** сорвать банк, взять все взятки; сделать большой шлем; б) получить все призы; в) иметь полный успех
17. 1) грести длинным веслом
- 2) грести широкими взмахами
18. 1) **воен.** обстреливать, простреливать (*тж. to sweep with fire*); вести огонь с рассеиванием по фронту
to sweep the deck - простреливать палубу [*см. тж. 1 и 5, 1*]
- 2) **ав.** вести действия по уничтожению выгодных целей и самолётов противника
19. **метал.** формовать при помощи шаблона

20. **элк.** производить разведку

◇ to sweep under the rug /under the carpet/ - прятать, скрывать, маскировать

to sweep difficulties [differences, troubles] under the rug - скрывать трудности [разногласия, неприятности]

to sweep smb. off smb.'s feet - а) увлечь кого-л.; be swept her off her feet - она увлеклась им; I was swept off my feet by his plans - он увлёк меня своими планами; his speeches were calculated to sweep uncommitted voters off their feet - его речи были рассчитаны на то, чтобы сразу же привлечь на свою сторону избирателей которые ещё не решили, за кого им голосовать; б) сбить с ног; we were almost swept off our feet by the waves - волны чуть не сбили нас с ног
to sweep smb. a curtsey - сделать кому-л. реверанс

sweep

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sweep [sweep sweeps swept sweeping] verb, noun BrE [swiːp] NAmE

[swiːp]

verb (swept, swept BrE [swept] ; NAmE [swept])

WITH BRUSH OR HAND

1. transitive, intransitive to clean a room, surface, etc. using a **↑broom** (= a type of brush on a long handle)

- ~ **(sth)** to sweep the floor
- Chimneys should be swept regularly.
- ~ **sth + adj.** The showroom had been emptied and swept clean.

2. transitive ~ sth + adv./prep. to remove sth from a surface using a brush, your hand, etc

- She swept the crumbs into the wastebasket.
- He swept the leaves up into a pile.
- She swept the clothes onto the floor and invited him to sit down.

MOVE QUICKLY/WITH FORCE

3. transitive ~ sb/sth + adv./prep. to move or push sb/sth suddenly and with a lot of force

- The little boat was swept out to sea.
- Their tent was swept away in the storm.
- She let herself be swept along by the crowd.

4. intransitive, transitive (of weather, fire, etc.) to move suddenly and/or with force over an area or in a particular direction

- **+ adv./prep.** Rain swept in through the broken windows.
- A fire swept through the store on Tuesday night.
- ~ **sth** Strong winds regularly sweep the islands.

OF A PERSON

5. intransitive + adv./prep. to move quickly and/or smoothly, especially in a way that impresses or is intended to impress other people

- Without another word she swept out of the room.
- (figurative) He swept into the lead with an almost perfect performance.

6. transitive ~ sth + adv./prep. to move sth, especially your hand or arm, quickly and smoothly in a particular direction

- He rushed to greet her, sweeping his arms wide.

OF FEELINGS

7. intransitive + adv./prep. to suddenly affect sb strongly

- A wave of tiredness swept over her.
- Memories came sweeping back.

OF IDEAS/FASHIONS

8. intransitive, transitive to spread quickly

- **+ adv./prep.** Rumours of his resignation swept through the company.
- ~ **sth** the latest craze sweeping America

LOOK/MOVE OVER AREA

9. intransitive, transitive to move over an area, especially in order to look for sth

- **+ adv./prep.** His eyes swept around the room.
- The car headlights swept across the front of the building.
- ~ **sth** Searchlights swept the sky.
- She swept the crowd with her binoculars.

TOUCH SURFACE

10. transitive ~ sth to move, or move sth, over a surface, touching it lightly

- Her dress swept the ground as she walked.

HAIR

11. transitive ~ sth + adv./prep. to brush, **↑comb**, etc. your hair in a particular direction

- Her hair was swept back from her face.

OF LANDSCAPE

12. intransitive + adv./prep. to form a long smooth curve

- The hotel gardens sweep down to the beach.

IN SPORT

13. transitive ~ sth (NAmE) to win all the games in a series of games against another team or all the parts of a contest

- The Blue Jays have a chance to sweep the series.
- New Jersey swept Detroit last season.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	sweep
	BrE /swi:p/
	NAmE /swi:p/
he / she /it	sweeps
	BrE /swi:ps/
	NAmE /swi:ps/
past simple, past participle	swept
	BrE /swept/
	NAmE /swept/
-ing form	sweeping
	BrE /'swi:pɪŋ/
	NAmE /'swi:pɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English swāpan (verb), of Germanic origin; related to German *schweifen* 'sweep in a curve'.

Example Bank:

- A pair of golden eagles swept across the sky.
- She swept a hand through her hair.
- The traveller swept a hand toward the endless expanse of water.
- Two police motorcycles swept through the village.
- Without another word, she swept out of the room.
- to sweep the floor/street/stairs

Idioms ↑sweep somebody off their feet ▪ ↑sweep something under the carpet ▪ ↑sweep the board ▪ ↑sweep to power ▪ ↑sweep to victory

Derived ↑sweep somebody away ▪ ↑sweep somebody up ▪ ↑sweep something aside ▪ ↑sweep something away ▪ ↑sweep something out

noun

WITH BRUSH

1. countable, usually singular an act of cleaning a room, surface, etc. using a ↑broom

- Give the room a good sweep.

CURVING MOVEMENT

2. countable a smooth curving movement

- He indicated the door with a sweep of his arm.

LANDSCAPE

3. countable, usually singular a long, often curved, piece of road, river, coast, etc

- the broad sweep of white cliffs around the bay

RANGE

4. uncountable the range of an idea, a piece of writing, etc. that considers many different things

- Her book covers the long sweep of the country's history.

MOVEMENT/SEARCH OVER AREA

5. countable a movement over an area, for example in order to search for sth or attack sth

- The rescue helicopter made another sweep over the bay.

CHIMNEY

6. countable = ↑chimney sweep

GAMBLING

7. countable (NAmE also sweeps) (informal) = ↑sweepstake

IN SPORT

8. countable (NAmE) a series of games that a team wins against another team; the fact of winning all the parts of a contest

- a World Series sweep

TELEVISION

9. the sweeps plural (NAmE) a time when television companies examine their programmes to find out which ones are the most popular, especially in order to calculate advertising rates

- the May ratings sweeps

see make a clean sweep (of sth) at ↑clean_{adj.}

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Example Bank:

- He dismissed his assistant with a grandiose sweep of his hand.
- Her eyes made a comprehensive sweep of the room.
- The house overlooks the great sweep of the St Lawrence River.
- The upward sweep of her hair was held in place by a comb.
- Thousands of jobs were lost in one broad sweep.
- We made a wide sweep south to the River Dee.
- the broad cultural sweep of Flaubert's novel
- with a sweep of his arm
- An elegant sweep of lawn led up to the house.
- There is a broad sweep of white cliffs around the bay.

See also: ↑sweep something under the rug

sweep

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I. **sweep**¹ **W3** /swi:p/ *BrE* " *AmE* " verb (past tense and past participle **swept** /swept/)

[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: Probably from sweep, the past tense of Old English swapan 'to sweep']

1. **CLEAN SOMETHING** [transitive] to clean the dust, dirt etc from the floor or ground, using a brush with a long handle **SYN brush**:

" Bert swept the path in front of the house.

sweep something off/out/up etc

" Will you sweep the leaves off the patio?

2. **PUSH SOMETHING SOMEWHERE** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to move things from a surface with a brushing movement:

" I swept the papers quickly into the drawer.

3. **PUSH SOMEBODY/SOMETHING WITH FORCE** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to force someone or something to move in a particular direction:

" The windsurfer was swept out to sea.

" Jessie was swept along by the angry crowd.

4. **GROUP MOVES** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if a group of people or animals sweep somewhere, they quickly move there together

sweep through/along etc

" The crowd swept through the gates of the stadium.

5. **WIND/WAVES ETC** [intransitive, transitive always + adverb/preposition] if winds, waves, fire etc sweep a place or sweep through, across etc a place, they move quickly and with a lot of force:

" Thunderstorms swept the country.

sweep across/through etc

" Ninety-mile per hour winds swept across the plains.

6. **BECOME POPULAR** [intransitive, transitive always + adverb/preposition] *written* if an idea, feeling, or activity sweeps a group of people or a place, it quickly becomes very popular or common

sweep the country/nation/state etc

" a wave of nationalism sweeping the country

sweep across/through etc

" the latest craze sweeping through the teenage population

7. **FEELING** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if a feeling sweeps over you, you are suddenly affected by it

sweep over

" A feeling of isolation swept over me.

8. **PERSON** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if someone sweeps somewhere, they move quickly and confidently, especially because they are impatient or like to seem important

sweep into/through etc

" Eva swept into the meeting and demanded to know what was going on.

9. **POLITICS** [intransitive and transitive] to win an election easily and in an impressive way

sweep to power/victory

" Nixon and Agnew swept to victory with 47 million votes.

" Herrera was swept into office on the promise of major reforms.

10. **SPORTS** [transitive] *American English* to win all of the games in a series of games against a particular team:

" Houston swept Orlando to become NBA champions.

11. **sweep the board** *British English* to win everything that can be won, especially very easily

12. **FORM A CURVE** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to form a long curved shape

sweep down/along etc

" The hills swept down to the sea.

13. **LOOK** [intransitive, transitive always + adverb/preposition] to look quickly at all of something:

" The general's eyes swept the horizon.

sweep over/across/around etc

the beam from the lighthouse sweeping across the sea

14. **sweep somebody off their feet** to make someone feel suddenly and strongly attracted to you in a romantic way:

" Jill's been swept off her feet by an older man.

15. **sweep/brush something under the carpet** (also **sweep something under the rug** *American English*) to try to keep something a secret, especially something you have done wrong

16. **HAIR** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to pull your hair back from your face

sweep something back/up

" Kerry swept her hair back into a ponytail.

sweep somebody along *phrasal verb*

to ↑sweep someone ↑away

sweep something ↔ **aside** *phrasal verb*

to refuse to pay attention to something someone says:

" Branson swept all the objections aside.

sweep somebody/something away *phrasal verb*

1. **sweep something** ↔ **away** to completely destroy something or make something disappear:

" houses swept away by the floods

" A sudden feeling of grief swept all my anger away.

2. **sweep somebody away** (also **sweep somebody along**) [usually passive] if a feeling or idea sweeps you away or along, you are so excited that you do not think clearly or you forget about other things:

" We couldn't help being swept away by Bette's enthusiasm.

" Nineteenth-century scientists were swept along on the tide of Darwin's theories.

sweep up *phrasal verb*

1. to clean the dust, dirt etc from the floor or ground using a brush with a long handle:

" The janitor was just sweeping up as I left the building.

sweep something ↔ **up**

" Jan was sweeping up the bits of paper and broken glass.

2. **sweep somebody** ↔ **up** to pick someone up in one quick movement:

" Harriet swept the child up in her arms and hugged her.

II. **sweep**² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *noun* [countable]

1. a long swinging movement of your arm, a weapon etc:

" With a single sweep of his sword, he cut through the rope.

2. [usually singular] *British English* the act of cleaning a room with a long-handled brush:

" The kitchen needs a good sweep.

3. **the sweep of something**

a) a long curved line or area of land:

" the wide sweep of lawn

b) the many different and important ideas, events, or qualities of something:

" the broad sweep of history

4. [usually singular] a search or attack that moves over a large area:

" He watched the helicopter make a sweep over the beach.

5. **the sweeps** (also **sweeps month/period**) *American English* a period of time during the year when television stations try to find out which shows are the most popular

6. *American English* a series of several games that one team wins against another team

7. a ↑chimney sweep

⇒ **clean sweep** at ↑clean¹(14)

sweep

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