

1. [dɪtʃ] n**1. 1) ров, канава, кювет**

drainage ditch - дренажная канава

open ditch - водяной ров

anti-tank ditch - противотанковый ров

2) канал; арык**3) траншея, окоп****2. котлован; выемка****3. *диал.* дамба, насыпь**

◇ the Ditch - а) Атлантический океан; б) Ла-Манш; в) Северное море

to die in a ditch - умереть под забором, умереть в нищете

to die in the last ditch - биться до последнего /до конца, до последней капли крови/

to be driven to the last ditch - а) быть доведённым до крайности; б) быть припёртым к стенке

2. [dɪtʃ] v**1. окапывать рвом, канавой (*мж.* ditch about, ditch around)****2. отрывать канаву, ров, траншею****3. осушать почву с помощью дренажных рвов**

to ditch a swamp - осушать заболоченную местность

4. 1) чистить ров, канаву**2) укреплять ров, канаву****5. 1) сбрасывать в ров****2) пускать под откос****6. 1) *сл.* угробить, разбить (*самолёт и т. п.*)**

to ditch a motor car - разбить /угробить/ машину

2) *ав. проф.* сделать вынужденную посадку на воду**7. *разг.* бросать, оставлять (*кого-л.*); отделяваться (*от кого-л., чего-л.*)**

he's ditched his girlfriend - он бросил свою девушку

I ditched that old hat of yours - я выбросила твою старую шляпу

8. *сл.* припрятывать

to ditch stolen goods - припрятать наворованное добро

ditch**ditch** [dɪtʃ dɪtʃes dɪtʃed dɪtʃɪŋ] **noun, verb** *BrE* [dɪtʃ] ^ˈ *NAme* [dɪtʃ] ^ˈ**noun**

a long channel dug at the side of a field or road, to hold or take away water

- The car left the road and ended up in a ditch.



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Word Origin:

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Thesaurus:**ditch** **noun** **C**

- The car went off the road and into a ditch.

trench • • **gully/gulley** • • **channel** • • **moat** • • **furrow** •

an **open** ditch/trench/gully/channel

a **deep** ditch/trench/gully/channel/moat/furrow

dig a ditch/trench/channel/moat

Example Bank:

- I tripped and fell into a muddy ditch.
- The ditch ran parallel to the road.
- The drainage system consisted of a few open ditches to facilitate run-off.
- The lettuce beds are surrounded by a deep ditch.
- Farm drainage ditches ensure that water runs directly into streams.
- The car went out of control and plunged into a ditch.

verb**1. transitive** ~ **sth/sb** (*informal*) to get rid of sth/sb because you no longer want or need it/them

- The new road building programme has been ditched.

- He ditched his girlfriend.
- 2. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth)** if a pilot ditches an aircraft, or if it ditches, it lands in the sea in an emergency
- 3. **transitive ~ school** (NAmE, informal) to stay away from school without permission

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	ditch
	BrE /dɪtʃ/
	NAmE /dɪtʃ/
he / she / it	ditches
	BrE /dɪtʃɪz/
	NAmE /dɪtʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	ditched
	BrE /dɪtʃt/
	NAmE /dɪtʃt/
-ing form	ditching
	BrE /dɪtʃɪŋ/
	NAmE /dɪtʃɪŋ/

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I. ditch¹ /dɪtʃ/ BrE ⁿ AmE ⁿ noun [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: *dic*]

a long narrow hole dug at the side of a field, road etc to hold or remove unwanted water

⇒ *last-ditch*

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COLLOCATIONS

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + ditch

- **deep/shallow** The car had become stuck in a deep ditch.
- **a drainage ditch** (=for water to drain away into) They were digging a drainage ditch.
- **an irrigation ditch** (=taking water to fields, crops etc) The fields were separated by irrigation ditches.
- **an open ditch** (=not covered) The horse had to jump over an open ditch.
- **a roadside ditch** (=along the edge of a road) His clothes were found in a roadside ditch.

verbs

- **dig a ditch** Ditches were dug to prevent the river from flooding.
- **a ditch runs along/down etc something** A muddy ditch ran along the side of the field.

II. ditch² BrE ^v AmE ^v verb

1. [transitive] **informal** to stop having something because you no longer want it:
The government has ditched plans to privatise the prison.
2. [transitive] **informal** to end a romantic relationship with someone:
Meg and Neil were due to marry, but she ditched him.
3. [transitive] **American English spoken informal** to not go to school, a class etc when you should **SYN skip** **British English**:
Did you ditch class today?
4. [transitive] **American English spoken informal** to leave someone you are with in a place without telling them you are going
5. [intransitive and transitive] to land an aircraft in a controlled crash into water:
Two balloonists had to ditch during the race.

ditch

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RANGE: **3k** DITCH ⁴¹³⁹

ditch ²⁷³⁸

ditches ⁷⁶⁷

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