

favourite1. ['feiv(ə)rɪt] *n*

1. любимец; фаворит

general favourite - общий любимец

2. любимая вещь

that book is a great favourite of mine - это одна из моих самых любимых книг

3. (the favourite) *спорт.* фаворит4. *pl* короткие локоны у висков (*причёска, модная в XVII-XVIII вв.*)2. ['feiv(ə)rɪt] *a*

1) любимый, излюбленный

favourite child - любимый ребенок, любимчик

my favourite writer is Hemingway - мой любимый писатель - Хемингуэй

2) популярный, пользующийся успехом

favourite

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fa-vour-ite [**favourite favourites**] (especially US **fa-vor-ite**) **adjective, noun BrE**['feivərɪt] ^{uk} *NAmE* ['feivərɪt] ^{us}**adjective**

liked more than others of the same kind

- It's one of my favourite movies.
- Who is your favourite writer?
- January is my least favourite month.

Word Origin:late 16th cent. (as a noun): from obsolete French **favorit** from Italian **favorito** past participle of **favorire** 'to favour', from Latin **favor** from **favere** 'show kindness to' (related to **fovere** 'cherish').Thesaurus:**favourite** (BrE) (AmE favorite) **adj.**

• Who is your favourite poet?

best-loved • • **of choice** • • **pet** • |especially business preferred • |especially written favoured •sb's favourite/preferred/favoured **food/activity/method/way/type**sb's favourite/pet **subject/topic**sb's favourite/preferred **option/approach/strategy/version/location/candidate/school**Synonyms:**choice**

favourite • preference • selection • pick

These are all words for a person or thing that is chosen, or that is liked more than others.

choice • a person or thing that is chosen: ▪ She's the obvious choice for the job.**favourite/favorite** • a person or thing that you like more than the others of the same type: ▪ Which one's your favourite?**preference** • a thing that is liked better or best: ▪ Tastes and preferences vary from individual to individual**favourite or preference?**Your **favourites** are the things you like best, and that you have, do, listen to, etc. often; your **preferences** are the things that you would rather have or do if you can choose.**selection** • a number of people or things that have been chosen from a larger group: ▪ A selection of reader's comments are published below.**pick** • (rather informal, especially NAmE) a person or thing that is chosen: ▪ She was his pick for best actress.sb's choice/favourite/pick **for** sthsb's choice/selection/pick **as** sthan **obvious** choice/favourite/selectiona(n) **excellent/good/popular/fine** choice/selectionIdiom: ↑ **somebody's favourite(s)****noun**

1. a person or thing that you like more than the others of the same type

- These biscuits are great favourites with the children.
- This song is a **particular favourite** of mine.
- The band played all my **old favourites**.
- Which one's your favourite?
- The programme has become a **firm favourite** with young people.

2. a person who is liked better by sb and receives better treatment than others

- She loved all her grandchildren but Ann was her favourite

3. the horse, runner, team, etc. that is expected to win

- The favourite came third.
- ~ **(for sth)** Her horse is the **hot favourite** for the race.
- ~ **(to do sth)** AC Milan, the **hot favourites** to win the Champions League

4. the person who is expected by most people to get a particular job or position

- ~ **(for sth)** She's the favourite for the job.

• ~ (to do sth) She's the favourite to succeed him as leader.

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Thesaurus:

favourite (BrE) (AmE *favorite*) **noun C**

• This song is a particular favourite of mine.

preference • • **choice** • • **selection** • | especially AmE, informal **pick** •

sb's favourite/choice/pick **for** sth

an **obvious** favourite/choice/selection

Favourite or preference? Your **favourites** are the things you like best, and that you have, do, etc. often; your **preferences** are the things that you would rather have or do if you can choose.

Example Bank:

- 'Show Me Love' became a festival favourite
- China was the early favourite to win the bidding.
- Gunn and Moran are prohibitive favourites
- He began recording sentimental favourites
- He is a favourite among his teammates.
- If I had to choose a favourite, it would be Monet's 'Water Lilies'.
- It may become a holiday favourite on video.
- Jopanini is second favourite for Saturday's race, behind Bright Spark.
- My very favourite film is 'The Wizard of Oz'.
- On paper, Stanford looks like the favourite
- She is odds-on favourite to win a coveted Academy Award.
- The Brazilians still look firm favourites to take the title.
- The Colts are 5.5–point favourites at San Francisco this week
- The Spanish are the favourites to win.
- The band started with a crowd favourite
- The forest was a favourite for family walks.
- The horse is an even money favourite
- The movie has become a cult favourite
- The song is a firm favourite with their fans.
- The woods surrounding the estate were a favourite for family walks.
- They perform their greatest hit and a new favourite
- They were singing their childhood favourite, 'Waterloo'.
- This movie is my all-time favourite
- This painting is a particular favourite of mine.
- This song is an old favourite of mine.
- Tiger Woods is 3–2 favourite to win the Challenge.
- You will find all your old favourites in this book of poems.
- a theme song that remains a fan favourite
- The show has become a firm favourite with young people.
- These cakes are great favourites with the children.
- Which one's your favourite?

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I. **fa**ˌvɒrɪt¹ **S3 W3** BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ *British English, favorite American English* /'feɪvərət,

'feɪvərɪt/ *adjective* [only before noun]

1. your favourite person or thing is the one that you like the most:

ˈ a child's favourite toy

ˈ What's your favourite colour?

ˈ a favorite spot for picnickers

2. **favourite son** a politician, sports player etc who is popular with people in the place that they come from

II. **fa**ˌvɒrɪt² BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ *British English, favorite American English* **noun** [countable]

1. something that you like more than other things of the same kind:

ˈ Can we have strawberries? They're my favourite.

an old/firm/particular favourite

ˈ a sweater that's an old favorite

favourite with

ˈ Dahl's books are firm favourites with children.

2. someone who is liked and treated better than others by a teacher or parent:

ˈ You always were Dad's favourite.

play favorites *American English* (=treat one person better than others)

ˈ The manager insisted he doesn't play favorites. ⇒ ↑favouritism

3. the team, player etc that is expected to win a race or competition

favouriteto do something

" Italy were the favourites to win the World Cup.

" He was the hot favourite for the Booker Prize.

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