

1. [twin] n1. 1) *pl* близнецы; двойняшкиa pair of twins - *разг.* близнецы

Siamese twins - сиамские близнецы

identical twins - однояйцовые близнецы

fraternal/nonidentical/ twins - разнояйцовые близнецы

2) *уст.*, *диал.* двойня

he was one of the a twin - это был брат-близнец

3) близнец; двойняшка

2. двойник; точная копия

a powder compact that was the twin of the one he found - пудреница - точная копия той, что он нашёл

3. парная вещь

body and spirit are twins - тело и дух связаны воедино /нерасторжимы/

4. (the Twins) *pl* Близнецы (*созвездие и знак зодиака*)**2. [twin] a**

1. являющийся близнецом

twin brother - брат-близнец

twin girls - девочки-двойняшки

2. 1) двойной, спаренный, сдвоенный

twin barrel /mount/ - *воен.* спаренная установка

twin beds - две односпальные кровати

twin size - односпальный, узкий (*о кровати*)twin cable - *эл.* двухжильный кабель

twin stars - двойные звёзды

twin track - *ж.-д.* двухколейная дорогаtwin cities /towns/ - города-двойники; части города, расположенные по разные стороны залива, реки *и т. п.*2) двойниковый (*о кристаллах*)

3. состоящий из двух однородных частей; составляющий пару

twin set - гарнитур, состоящий из жакета и джемпера (*одного цвета или гармонирующих цветов*)

the twin threats of war and inflation - угроза войны и связанная с ней угроза инфляции

4. близкий (*по духу, мыслям и т. п.*)

twin souls - родственные души

5. однотипный, похожий, одинаковый

twin tasks - одинаковые задачи

twin house - однотипный дом

twin candlesticks stood on the shelf - на полке стояли два одинаковых подсвечника

3. [twin] v

1. 1) родить двойню

2) (with) быть (чьим-л.) близнецом

he twins with me - он мой брат-близнец

2. соединять

your name will always remain twinned with John's - ваше имя навсегда связано с именем Джона; \cong вспомнят Джона -

вспомнят и вас

3. быть точной копией; быть двойником

4. образовывать двойниковые кристаллы

5. *шотл.*

1) разделять, отделять

2) различать

3) расставаться, разлучаться

twin

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twin [twin twins twinned twinning] noun, verb, adjective BrE [twin] ^m NAmE

[twin]

noun

1. one of two children born at the same time to the same mother

• She's expecting twins.

see also ↑conjoined twin, ↑fraternal twin, ↑identical twin, ↑Siamese twin**2.** one of two similar things that make a pair

• The plate was one of a pair but I broke its twin.

Word Origin:

late Old English twinn 'double', from twi- 'two'; related to Old Norse tvinnr. Current verb senses date from late Middle English.

Collocations:**Children***Having a baby / child*

want a baby/a child/kids

start a family

conceive /be expecting /be going to have a baby/child
miss your period
become /get/ be/find out that you are pregnant
have a baby/a child/kids/a son/a daughter/twins/a family
have a normal/a difficult/an unwanted pregnancy; an easy/a difficult/a home birth
be in/go into/induce labour (*especially US*) labor
have/suffer/cause a miscarriage
give birth to a child/baby/daughter/son/twins

Parenting

bring up/ (*especially NAmE*) raise a child/family
care for/ (*especially BrE*) look after a baby/child/kid
change (*BrE*) a nappy/(*NAmE*) a diaper/a baby
feed/breastfeed/bottle-feed a baby
be entitled to/go on maternity/paternity leave
go back/return to work after maternity leave
need/find/get a babysitter/good quality affordable childcare
balance /combine work and childcare/child-rearing/family life
educate/teach/home-school a child/kid
punish/discipline/spoil a child/kid
adopt a baby/child/kid
offer a baby for/put a baby up for adoption
(*especially BrE*) foster a child/kid
be placed with/be raised by foster parents

Example Bank:

- His long-lost twin was searching for him.
- I was the older twin.
- My sister had twins.
- She had twin girls.
- The twins were separated at birth.
- a pair of identical twins
- adult twins who were raised apart
- an operation to separate conjoined twins
- the plot device of giving a character an evil twin

verb (-nn-)

1. **usually passive ~ sth (with sth)** to make a close relationship between two towns or areas
 - Oxford is twinned with Bonn in Germany.
2. **~ sth (with sth)** to join two people or things closely together
 - The opera twins the themes of love and death.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	twin
	BrE /twɪn/
	NAmE /twɪnz/
he / she /it	twins
	BrE /twɪnz/
	NAmE /twɪnz/
past simple, past participle	twinned
	BrE /twɪnd/
	NAmE /twɪnd/
-ing form	twinning
	BrE /twɪnɪŋ/
	NAmE /twɪnɪŋ/

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adjective only before noun

1. used to describe one of a pair of children who are twins
 - **twin boys/girls**
 - a **twin brother/sister**
2. used to describe two things that are used as a pair
 - a ship with twin propellers
3. used to describe two things that are connected, or present or happening at the same time
 - The prison service has the twin goals of punishment and rehabilitation.

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twinI. **twin**¹ /twin/ BrE ^u AmE ^u *noun* [countable]

one of two children born at the same time to the same mother:

^u The twins are now eight months old.

⇒ ↑**identical twin**, ↑**Siamese twin**

II. **twin**² BrE ^u AmE ^u *adjective* [only before noun]

[Language: Old English; Origin: twinn 'double']

1. used to describe one of two children who are twins

twin sister/brother

^u Meet my twin sister.

2. used to describe two things that happen at the same time and are related to each other:

^u the twin problems of poverty and unemployment

3. **twin room/bedroom** a room that contains two single beds:

^u All the twin rooms have private bathrooms.

⇒ ↑**twinset**, ↑**twin town**

III. **twin**³ BrE ^u AmE ^u *verb* (past tense and past participle **twinned**, present participle **twinning**) [transitive usually passive]

1. **British English** to form a relationship between two similar towns in different countries in order to encourage visits between them

twin something with something

^u Chichester in England is twinned with Chartres in France.

2. to form a relationship between two places, people, or ideas

twin something with something

^u Dole has been twinned in the history books with his old rival Bush.

⇒ ↑**twin town**

twin

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