

1. [əˈlɑ:m] *n*

- 1) тревога, сигнал опасности, предупреждение об опасности  
false [midnight] alarm - ложная [ночная] тревога  
alarm call /note/ - крик тревоги (*у животных, птиц*)  
alarm reaction - **физиол.** стресс; тревожная реакция, реакция тревоги  
to give /to sound, to beat, to raise/ the alarm - бить /поднять/ тревогу, давать сигнал тревоги, бить в набат
- 2) тревожная сигнализация, звуковой сигнал предупреждения  
fire alarm - пожарная тревога  
alarm signal - сигнал тревоги  
alarm gong - **мор.** колокол громкого боя
- 3) сигнальный звонок, гудок  
shrill alarm - резкий тревожный гудок
- 4) **воен.** боевая тревога  
alarm post - место сбора по тревоге  
alarm for instruction - учебная тревога
- 5) **ист.** призыв к оружию

2. будильник (*тж.* alarm clock)  
I slept right through the alarm - я не слышал звона будильника и поэтому проспал

3. смятение, страх; тревога  
in alarm - в смятении, в страхе  
to feel /to take/ alarm at smth. - встревожиться из-за чего-л.
4. акцент (*акцентированный удар ногой при продвижении вперед - фехтование*)

2. [əˈlɑ:m] *v*

- 1) 1) поднять тревогу, дать сигнал тревоги; предупредить об опасности
- 2) **воен.** поднять по тревоге  
to alarm the camp - поднять тревогу в лагере; поднять по тревоге лагерь  
to alarm the guard - вызвать караул  
to alarm for instruction - провести учебную тревогу
2. 1) встревожить, взволновать; напугать; насторожить; вызвать тревогу  
to alarm profoundly [gravely] - глубоко [серьёзно] волновать  
to be alarmed by rumours - взволноваться из-за слухов  
to be alarmed at smth. - встревожиться из-за чего-л., быть напуганным чем-л.
- 2) вспугнуть  
to alarm the birds - вспугнуть птиц

## alarm

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**alarm** [alarm alarms alarmed alarming] **noun, verb** *BrE* [əˈlɑːm] <sup>11</sup> *NAmE*[əˈlɑːrɪŋ] <sup>11</sup>**noun**

1. **uncountable** fear and anxiety that sb feels when sth dangerous or unpleasant might happen
  - ‘What have you done?’ Ellie cried **in alarm** .
  - I felt a growing sense of alarm when he did not return that night.
  - The doctor said there was no **cause for alarm** .
2. **countable, usually singular** a loud noise or a signal that warns people of danger or of a problem
  - She decided to **sound the alarm** (= warn people that the situation was dangerous) .
  - I hammered on all the doors to **raise the alarm** .
  - By the time the alarm was raised the intruders had escaped.
- see also** ↑false alarm
3. **countable** a device that warns people of a particular danger
  - a **burglar/fire/smoke alarm**
  - The cat **set off the alarm** (= made it start ringing) .
  - A car **alarm went off** in the middle of the night (= started ringing) .
4. = ↑alarm clock
  - The **alarm went off** at 7 o'clock.

Word Origin:late Middle English (as an exclamation meaning ‘to arms!’): from Old French **alarme**, from Italian **allarme**, from **all' arme!** ‘to arms!’.Thesaurus:**alarm** **noun**1. **U**

- a feeling of alarm
- fright** • • **fear** • • **panic** •
- in** alarm/fright/fear/panic
- alarm/fear/panic **that...**
- be filled with** alarm/fear/panic

2. **C**

- raise the alarm

**warning** • • **alert** • | **formal caution** •  
a **flood/bomb/health** warning/alert  
**sound** a/an alarm/warning/alert/note of caution  
**3. C, usually sing.**  
• a burglar alarm  
**siren** • • **horn** •  
**hear** a/an alarm/siren/horn  
a/an alarm/siren/horn **sounds**

### Synonyms:

#### **fear**

**terror** • **panic** • **alarm** • **fright**

These are all words for the bad feeling you have when you are afraid.

**fear** • the bad feeling that you have when you are in danger, when sth bad might happen, or when a particular thing frightens you:

▪ (a) fear of flying ◇▪ She showed no fear.

**terror** • a feeling of extreme fear: ▪ Her eyes were wild with terror.

**panic** • a sudden feeling of great fear that cannot be controlled and prevents you from thinking clearly: ▪ I had a sudden moment of panic.

**alarm** • fear or worry that sb feels when sth dangerous or unpleasant might happen: ▪ The doctor said there was ▪ no cause for alarm ▪.

**fright** • a feeling of fear, usually sudden: ▪ She cried out in fright.

#### **fear or fright?**

**Fright** is a reaction to sth that has just happened or is happening now. Use **fear**, but not **fright**, to talk about things that always frighten you and things that may happen in the future: I have a fright of spiders. ◇his fright of what might happen

a fear/terror **of** sth

**in** fear/terror/panic/alarm/fright

fear/terror/panic/alarm **that...**

to be **filled with** fear/terror/panic/alarm

a **feeling of** fear/terror/panic/alarm

### Example Bank:

- Carry a personal alarm with you and make sure you know how to use it.
- He loves spreading alarm and despondency.
- He shouted out in alarm.
- His face registered no alarm at all when I told him the news.
- I see no cause for alarm, as she often arrives late.
- I set my alarm for 6.30.
- Lizzie was carrying a rape alarm but it was out of reach in her handbag.
- Many birds give alarm calls to warn of danger.
- Many people have expressed alarm at the plans.
- Suddenly the alarm sounded and they all had to leave the building.
- The fire brigade recommends that every house is fitted with a smoke alarm.
- The fire service was called out, but it was a false alarm.
- The guard raised the alarm when he discovered that six prisoners had escaped.
- The head teacher's policies have provoked alarm among parents.
- The incident created serious public alarm.
- The news has been greeted with alarm.
- There has been considerable alarm about the new proposals.
- There is growing public alarm at this increase in crime.
- To her parents' alarm, she announced that she intended to travel the world.
- Unfortunately any little noise can set off the alarm.
- 'What have you done?' Ellie cried in alarm.
- A car alarm went off in the middle of the night.
- All new houses must be fitted with a smoke alarm.
- I hammered on all the doors to raise the alarm.
- Soldier termites sound an alarm by beating their large heads on passage walls.
- The doctor said there was no cause for alarm.
- The earthquake set off burglar alarms throughout the city.

Idiom: ↑ **alarm bells ring ringing**

### verb

**1. ~ sb** to make sb anxious or afraid

**Syn:** ↑ **worry**

• The captain knew there was an engine fault but didn't want to alarm the passengers.

**2. ~ sth** to fit sth such as a door with a device that warns people when sb is trying to enter illegally

## Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	alarm
	BrE /əˈlɑːm/
	NAmE /əˈlɑːrm/
he / she / it	alarms
	BrE /əˈlɑːmz/
	NAmE /əˈlɑːrmz/
past simple, past participle	alarmed
	BrE /əˈlɑːmd/
	NAmE /əˈlɑːrmd/
-ing form	alarming
	BrE /əˈlɑːmɪŋ/
	NAmE /əˈlɑːrmiŋ/

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## Thesaurus:

### alarm verb T

- It alarms me that no one takes this problem seriously.

**scare** • • **frighten** • • **startle** • • **worry** • • **trouble** • • **disturb** • • **concern** • • **bother** •

It alarms/scares/frightens/startles/worries/troubles/disturbs/concerns/bothers me **that...**

It alarms/scares/frightens/startles/worries/troubles/disturbs/concerns/bothers me **to** think, see, etc.

## Synonyms:

### frighten

scare • alarm • terrify

These words all mean to make sb afraid.

**frighten** • to make sb feel afraid, often suddenly: ▪ He brought out a gun and frightened them off.

**scare** • to make sb feel afraid: ▪ They managed to scare the bears away.

**alarm** • to make sb anxious or afraid: ▪ It alarms me that nobody takes this problem seriously.

**Alarm** is used when sb has a feeling that sth unpleasant or dangerous might happen in the future; the feeling is often more one of worry than actual fear.

**terrify** • to make sb feel extremely afraid: ▪ Flying terrified her.

### frighten or scare?

**Scare** is slightly more informal than **frighten**.

to frighten/scare sb/sth **away/off**

to frighten/scare/terrify sb **into** doing sth

It frightens/scares/alarms/terrifies me **that...**

It frightens/scares/alarms/terrifies me **to** think, see, etc.

## Example Bank:

- It alarms me that nobody takes this problem seriously.
- The captain knew there was a problem but didn't want to alarm the passengers.

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I. **alarm**<sup>1</sup> **S2** /əˈlɑːm/ əˈlɑːrm **BrE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **AmE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun**

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: French; Origin: **alarme**, from Old Italian **all' arme** 'to the weapon']

1. **[countable]** a piece of equipment that makes a loud noise to warn you of danger:

- I forgot to set the burglar alarm.
- Car alarms are always going off in the street.
- a sophisticated alarm system

2. **[uncountable]** a feeling of fear or worry because something bad or dangerous might happen

### alarm at

- There is growing alarm at the increase in crime.

### in alarm

- She looked up in alarm.
- Scientists have said there is no cause for alarm.

3.



[countable] an alarm clock:

- I've set the alarm for 7 o'clock.
- I was still asleep when the alarm went off.

4. **raise/sound the alarm** *especially British English* to warn people that something bad is happening:

- Neighbours raised the alarm when they smelled smoke.

5. **alarm bells ring** if alarm bells ring, you feel worried that something bad may be happening:

- Alarm bells started to ring when he failed to return home.

⇒ †false alarm

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + alarm

- **a burglar alarm** Neighbours heard the burglar alarm and called the police.
- **an intruder/a security alarm** The house has a system of security alarms.
- **a fire/smoke alarm** A fire alarm went off and the building had to be evacuated.
- **a car alarm** (=for when someone tries to steal a car) I was woken by a car alarm in the middle of the night.
- **a baby alarm** (=for when a baby wakes up and cries) Is the baby alarm switched on?
- **a personal alarm** (=that you carry with you in case you are attacked) If you are nervous, invest in a personal alarm.

### ■ alarm + NOUN

- **an alarm button** He hit the alarm button under the desk.
- **an alarm system** an electronic burglar alarm system

### ■ verbs

- **set off/trigger/activate the alarm** (=make it start ringing) A window blew open, setting off the alarm.
- **set the alarm** (=make it ready to operate) Did you set the burglar alarm?
- **an alarm goes off** (also **an alarm sounds formal**) The thieves fled when an alarm went off.
- **switch/turn off the alarm** I entered the shop and switched off the alarm.

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## THESAURUS

- **fear** a feeling of being frightened: He was trembling with fear. | Fear of failure should not stop you trying.
- **terror** a feeling of great fear, because you think that something terrible is about to happen: She let out a scream of pure terror.
- **fright** a sudden feeling of fear, or a situation that makes you feel this: My body was shaking with fright. | You gave me a fright! | He's had a bit of fright, that's all.
- **panic** a sudden feeling of fear or nervousness that makes you unable to think clearly or behave sensibly: She was in such a panic that she hardly knew what she was doing! | There were scenes of sheer panic immediately following the bomb blast.
- **alarm** a feeling of fear or worry which shows in your voice or behaviour, because you think something bad might happen: When I mentioned her name, he looked up at me in alarm. | The streets were calm and there was no sign of alarm.
- **foreboding** /fɔːrbeɪdɪŋ/ a feeling that something bad or unpleasant might happen although there is no obvious reason why it should: She felt the same sense of foreboding she had before her father died.
- **phobia** /'fəʊbiə/ a permanent strong unreasonable fear of something: I had a phobia about going to the dentist.

II. **alarm** <sup>2</sup> BrE <sup>AmE</sup> verb [transitive]

to make someone feel worried or frightened:

- I don't want to alarm you, but I can't find the key.

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## THESAURUS

- **frighten** to make someone feel afraid: The thought of being in court frightened him.
- **scare** *especially spoken* to frighten someone. **Scare** is less formal than **frighten**, and is the usual word to use in everyday English: He was driving fast just to scare us. | It scared him to think that his mother might never recover.
- **terrify** to make someone feel extremely frightened: The idea of going down into the caves terrified her. | Robbers terrified bank staff by threatening them at gunpoint.
- **give somebody a fright** to make someone suddenly feel frightened in a way that makes their heart beat more quickly: It gave me a terrible fright when I found him unconscious on the floor.
- **give somebody the creeps** if a person or place gives you the creeps, they make you feel slightly frightened because they are strange: This house gives me the creeps.
- **startle** to frighten someone. Used when you suddenly see someone and did not know they were there, or when you suddenly hear something: I'm sorry. I didn't mean to startle you. | The noise startled him, and he dropped his glass on the floor.
- **alarm** to make someone feel frightened and worried that something bad might happen: I didn't want to alarm her by calling in the

middle of the night.

▪ **intimidate** to deliberately frighten someone, especially so that they will do what you want: Many of the gangs were using dogs to intimidate people.

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Freakuency Pack

12500 **3219**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **2250**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **2k** ALARM 14210

alarm 7000

alarmed 2324

alarming 2462

alarmingly 426

alarms 1668

alarmist 244

alarmists 86

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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389 **34858**<sup>428</sup> *vv0*

245 **46527**<sup>254</sup> *vvi*

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