

mother**1. [ˈmʌðə] n**

1. мать; мама; матушка

the mother of six [of a family] - мать шестерых детей [семейства]

expectant mother - будущая мать

mother love - материнская любовь

mother's milk - материнское молоко

2. (Mother)

1) мать, матушка (*вежливое обращение*)2) мать, матушка (*церк. звание*)

mother Theresa - мать Тереза

mother Superior - мать-настоятельница

3) *разг.* матушка (*об уважаемой простой женщине*)

3. начало, источник

mother of all vices - источник /материнский/ всех пороков

4. *хум.* маточный раствор

◇ every mother's son (of you, of them) - все (вы, они) без исключения, все до одного

mother's help - домашняя работница няня; прислуга за всё

Mother of Presidents, Mother of States - *амер. шутл.* штат Виргиния

necessity is the mother of invention - необходимость - мать изобретательности ≅ голь на выдумки хитра

2. [ˈmʌðə] v

1. относиться по-матерински, охранять, лелеять

she always mothers her lodgers - она всегда балует своих жильцов

2. 1) усыновлять; брать на воспитание

to mother another's child - воспитать чужого ребёнка [*см. тж.* 4, 1)]2) вскармливать (*обыкн.* mother upon)

a young wolf was mothered upon a bitch - волчонок был вскормлен собакой

3. *редк.*

1) быть матерью, родить

to mother six children - родить шестерых детей

2) порождать, вызывать к жизни

to mother revolt - породить /вызвать/ восстание /мятеж/

4. 1) признавать себя матерью

to mother another's child - признать себя матерью чужого ребёнка [*см. тж.* 2, 1)]

2) (оп, урон) приписывать материнство

5. 1) признавать себя автором

2) (оп, урон) приписывать авторство

this book [joke] was mothered (up)on her - эту книгу [шутку] приписывали ей

mother

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mother [mother mothers mothered mothering] **noun, verb** BrE ['mʌðə(r)]^uNAme ['mʌðər]^u**noun****1.** a female parent of a child or animal; a person who is acting as a mother to a child

- I want to buy a present for my mother and father.
- the relationship between mother and baby
- She's the mother of twins.
- a mother of three (= with three children)
- an expectant (= pregnant) mother
- She was a wonderful mother to both her natural and adopted children.
- the mother chimpanzee caring for her young

2. the title of a woman who is head of a **↑convent** (= a community of **↑nuns**)**see also** **↑Mother Superior****more at** necessity is the mother of invention **at** **↑necessity**, old enough to be sb's father/mother **at** **↑old**Word Origin:Old English mōdor, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **moeder** and German **Mutter**, from an Indo-European root shared by Latin **mater** and Greek **mētēr**.Thesaurus:**mother** **noun** C

• She's the proud mother of twins.

parent • **stepmother** • **guardian** • |BrE, informal, especially spoken **mum** • **mummy** • |AmE, informal, especially spoken **mom** • **mommy** • |especially AmE, informal **folks** •a **good/bad** mother/parent/mum/momsb's **new** mother/parent/stepmother/mum/mom**become** a/sb's mother/parent/stepmother/guardian/mum/mom**Mother or mum?** In spoken English **mum/mom** is much more frequent. It can sound formal to say **my mother**.

Example Bank:

- Her distraught mother had spent all night waiting by the phone.
- She felt proud that she had raised four children as a lone mother.
- She inherited the urge to travel from her mother.
- The boys were like their father, but Louise took after her mother.
- The court decided she was an unfit mother.
- The two boys were like their father in character, but Louise took after her mother.
- caring for his sick mother
- his beloved mother
- the proud mother of the bride
- She's the mother of twins.
- This is my mother, Joan.
- an expectant mother

Idioms: ↑at your mother's knee ▪ ↑mother of something

verb ~ sb/sth

to care for sb/sth because you are their mother, or as if you were their mother

- He was a disturbed child who needed mothering.
- Stop mothering me!

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | mother |
| | BrE / 'mʌðə(r)/ |
| | NAme / 'mʌðər/ |
| he / she / it | mothers |
| | BrE / 'mʌðəz/ |
| | NAme / 'mʌðərz/ |
| past simple, past participle | mothered |
| | BrE / 'mʌðəd/ |
| | NAme / 'mʌðəd/ |
| -ing form | mothering |
| | BrE / 'mʌðərɪŋ/ |
| | NAme / 'mʌðərɪŋ/ |

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I. **moth**er¹ **S1 W1** /'mʌðə \$ -ər/ BrE " AmE " *noun* [countable]

[Word Family: **noun:** ↑mother, ↑motherhood, ↑mothering; **adjective:** ↑motherly, ↑motherless; **verb:** ↑mother]

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

1. a female parent of a child or animal:

" His mother and father are both doctors.

mother of two/three etc (=mother of two/three etc children)

" Janet is a full-time teacher and a mother of two.

" the relationship between mother and child

" Goodnight, Mother.

" Mother said they'd met at university.

" If food is scarce, the mother will feed the smaller, weaker chicks.

mother cat/bird/hen etc (=an animal that is a mother)

2. **be (like) a mother to somebody** to care for someone as if you were their mother:

" She's like a mother to them. If they need anything she always helps out.

3. **like a mother hen** if someone behaves like a mother hen, they try to protect their children too much and worry about them all the time

4. **learn/be taught something at your mother's knee** to learn something when you are a very young child:

" the prayers which he had been taught at his mother's knee

5. **the mother of something**

a) the origin or cause of something:

" Westminster is known as 'the mother of parliaments'.

" Necessity is the mother of invention (=people have good ideas when the situation makes it necessary).

b) **informal** a very severe or extreme type of something, usually something bad:

" I woke up with the mother of all hangovers.

6. **spoken especially American English** something very large and usually very good:

" a real mother of a car

7. **American English taboo spoken** ↑motherfucker

8. **Mother**

used to address the woman who is in charge of a ↑convent

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- **mother** a female parent: My mother and father are both teachers.
- **mum** *British English informal*, **mom** *American English informal* used when talking to your father, or about someone's father: My mum and dad won't mind if you want to stay the night. | Mom, where's my sweater?
- **mummy** *British English*, **mommy** *American English* a name for mother, which is used especially by young children or when you are talking to young children: Where's Mummy, Abbie?
- **ma** *American English old-fashioned* used when talking to your mother, or about someone's mother: Ma stirred the soup on the stove.
- **mama** *old-fashioned* used when talking to your mother, or about someone's mother: Mama seldom disagreed with Papa.
- **stepmother** (also **stepmum** *British English informal*, **stepmom** *American English informal*) a woman who is married to your father, who is not your mother but often acts as your parent: the wicked stepmother in fairy stories

II. **mother**² *BrE* " *AmE* " *verb* [transitive]

[*Word Family*: noun: ↑mother, ↑motherhood, ↑mothering; adjective: ↑motherly, ↑motherless; verb: ↑mother]

to look after and protect someone as if you were their mother, especially by being too kind and doing everything for them:

" I don't like being mothered!

mother

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RANGE: **1k** MOTHER ²¹⁰⁶¹⁸

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mammy ¹²⁷

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COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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2284 **8002**⁴²¹⁰ *nnb*

63 **62343**¹⁴⁷ *np1*

76 **83580**⁸³ *jj*

48 **101792**⁵⁷ *nnu*

55 **103379**⁵⁵ *vv0*

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