

mum

I

1. [mʌm] *n* *разг.*
молчание
2. [mʌm] *a* *predic* *разг.*
молчаливый
to keep mum (about smth.) - помалкивать (о чём-л.)
to stand mum - стоять молча
3. [mʌm] *v*
1) участвовать в пантомиме
2) участвовать в рождественском представлении; быть ряженым
4. [mʌm] *int* *разг.*
тише!, тс!
mum's the word - (об этом) ни гугу; это секрет

II

[mʌm] *n*
крепкое пиво

II

[mʌm] = *mummy*²

IV

[mʌm] *прост. см.* *madam*

V

[mʌm] *разг. см.* *chrysanthemum*

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

mum [mʌm mʌms mʌmmed mʌmming] *noun, adjective* *BrE* [mʌm]^u *NAmE* [mʌm]^u

noun (*BrE*) (*NAmE* **mom**) (*informal*)

- a mother
- My mum says I can't go.
 - Happy Birthday, Mum.
 - A lot of **mums and dads** have the same worries.

Word Origin:

n. mid 17th cent. ↑mummy 'mother'
adj. late Middle English

Thesaurus:

mum (*BrE*) (*AmE* **mom**) *noun* **C** (*informal, especially spoken*)
 • My mum says I can come to the party.
mother • **stepmother** • **parent** • **guardian** • *BrE, informal, especially spoken* **mummy** • *AmE, informal, especially spoken* **mommy** • *especially AmE, informal* **folks** •
 a **good/bad** mum/mom/mother/parent
 sb's **new** mum/mom/mother/stepmother/parent
become a/sb's mum/mom/mother/stepmother/parent/guardian
Mum or mother? In spoken English **mum/mom** is much more frequent. It can sound formal to say **my mother**.

Example Bank:

- The cat acted as a surrogate mum to the chicks.
- The group is aimed at new mums with young babies.
- My mum says I can't go.

Idioms: ↑keep mum ▪ ↑mum's the word!

adjective

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See also: ↑mom

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I. mum¹ **S1 W2** /mʌm/ *BrE*^u *AmE*^u *noun* [countable]

[Sense 1: Date: 1800-1900; Origin: ⇨ ↑mummy 1.]

[Sense 2: Date: 1700-1800; Origin: ⇨ ↑mum²]

1. *British English* mother **SYN** *American English*
2. **mum's the word** *spoken* used to tell someone that they must not tell other people about a secret

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THESAURUS

- **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. **mum**² *BrE* = *AmE* = *adjective*

[Date: 1400-1500; Origin: From the sound made with closed lips]

keep mum *informal* to not tell anyone about a secret

mum

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