

**piano**

I

1. [pɪˈæɪn|əv] *n* (*pl* -os [-{pɪˈæɪn}əvz])  
 фортепиано рояль  
 grand piano - рояль  
 upright /cabinet/ piano - пианино
2. [pɪˈæɪnəv] *a*  
 фортепьянный  
 piano concerto - фортепьянный концерт

II

[ˈpiːənəv] *муз.*  
 пиано

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

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▪ **I. piano** *adjective*  
 Main entry: ↑piano<sub>derived</sub>

▪ **II. piano** [piano pianos piani] *noun, adverb*  
*BrE* [piˈæɪnəv] <sup>m</sup> ; *NAmE* [piˈæɪnoʊ] <sup>m</sup> (*pl.* **pianos**) (*also* old-fashioned, formal **pi-ano-forte**)



*BrE* [piˌæɪnəʊˈfɔːr.ti] <sup>m</sup> ; *NAmE* [piˌæɪnoʊˈfɔːr.ti] <sup>m</sup> )

a large musical instrument played by pressing the black and white keys on the keyboard. The sound is produced by small **↑hammers** hitting the metal strings inside the **piano**

- to play the piano
- playing jazz **on the piano**
- piano music
- a **piano teacher/lesson**
- Ravel's piano concerto in G
- a sonata for violin and piano
- Alison Evans provided piano accompaniment.

**see also** ↑grand piano, ↑thumb piano, ↑upright piano

Word Origin:

*n.* early 19th cent. Italian pianoforte  
*adv.* and *adj.* Italian

Example Bank:

- He was sitting at the piano, ready to play.
- The piece can also be played on the piano.
- There is a piano bar for evening entertainment.
- a length of piano wire
- a piano made by Steinway
- playing classical music on the piano

*adverb* *BrE* [ˈpjɑːnə] <sup>m</sup> ; *NAmE* [ˈpjɑːno] <sup>m</sup> (abbr. **p**) (*music*)

played or sung quietly  
**Opp:** ↑forte

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See also: ↑pianoforte

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I. **piˈænəʊ** <sup>1</sup> **S3** /piˈæɪnəʊ \$ -noʊ/ *BrE* <sup>m</sup> *AmE* <sup>m</sup> *noun* (*plural* **pianos**) [*countable*]  
 [Date: 1800-1900; Language: Italian; Origin: pianoforte, from piano e forte 'quiet and loud']



a large musical instrument that has a long row of black and white **↑keys**. You play the piano by sitting in front of it and pressing the keys:

" Jean accompanied her on the piano.

a piano lesson/teacher etc

" a wonderful piano player

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ verbs

- **play the piano** Can you play the piano?
- **play something on the piano** We all sang while Mum played something on the piano.
- **learn the piano** He wanted his children to learn the piano.
- **practise the piano** *British English*, **practice the piano** *American English* I would practise the piano for three or four hours a day.
- **sit (down) at the piano** She sat down at the piano and began to play.
- **accompany somebody on the piano** (=play the piano while someone sings or plays a different instrument) Lisa sang while George accompanied her on the piano.

### ■ piano + NOUN

- **piano music** You can listen to live piano music while you dine.
- **a piano player**
- **a piano teacher**
- **a piano lesson** I started having piano lessons.
- **piano practice** Have you done your piano practice?

II. **piano**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* " *AmE* " *adjective, adverb* **technical**  
played or sung quietly **OPP** forte

## piano

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