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1. [gæŋ] *n*1. бригада; партия, смена (*рабочих и т. п.*)

a gang of slaves - партия рабов

black gang - а) кочегары; б) группа рабочих, разгружающих уголь

road gang - партия дорожных рабочих

itinerant gang - бродячая артель

chain gang - *амер.* каторжники в кандалах, скованные одной цепью

2. банда, шайка

gang of thieves - шайка воров

gang of highwaymen - банда разбойников

press gang - а) гангстеры пера, шайка газетчиков; б) *уст.* группа вербовщиков (*в армию или флот*)3. *разг.* компания

where is the gang? - где все ребята?

the whole gang is here - все здесь, все собрались

don't get mixed up with that gang - не связывайся с этой компанией

4. набор, комплект (*инструментов, механизмов*)

a gang of saws - комплект пил

5. рабочие части (*культиватора и т. п.*); секция, батарея (*дисковой бороны*)6. след (*оставляемый лемехом плуга или лапой культиватора*)2. [gæŋ] *v*1. организовать бригаду (*мж.* gang up)2. 1) организовать шайку (*мж.* gang up)2) вступить в шайку (*мж.* gang in)

3. сгрудиться, столпиться

everyone ganged toward the door - все сразу бросились к двери

4. *разг.* нападать, набрасываться группой (*мж.* gang up)

they ganged (up) on me - они все набросились на меня

5. (with) *амер. разг.* водиться (с кем-л.)

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gang [gang gangs ganged **ganging**] *noun, verb* *BrE* [gæŋ] ^m *NAmE* [gæŋ] ^m*noun* **countable** + **singular or plural verb**

1. an organized group of criminals

• criminal gang members and drug dealers

• a gang of pickpockets

• A four-man gang carried out the robbery.

2. a group of young people who spend a lot of time together and often cause trouble or fight against other groups

• a gang of youths

• a street gang

• All the local boys are members of gangs.

3. (*informal*) a group of friends who meet regularly

• The whole gang will be there.

4. an organized group of workers or prisoners doing work together

see also ↑chain gangWord Origin:Old English, from Old Norse **gangr**, **ganga** 'gait, course, going', of Germanic origin; related to Scottish gang 'go'. The original meaning was 'going, a journey', later in Middle English 'a way', also 'set of things or people which go together'.Culture:**gangs**

In US history gangs are often associated with the Wild West, the western part of the US during the period when people were beginning to move there. People like Jesse **James** became famous for leading gangs which committed crimes like robbing banks. People involved in organized crime, particularly during the 1920s and 1930s, were called **gangsters**. The word **gang** is no longer used to refer to the group known as the ↑**Mafia**, though members of the Mafia are often involved in **gangland killings**. Gangs involved in organized criminal activity were less of a problem in Britain, though in the 1960s the ↑**Kray twins** ran a gang in the ↑**East End** of London and **triads**, gangs similar to the Mafia, operate in some Chinese communities in Britain. Criminal gangs involved in **human trafficking**, bringing people to the UK illegally and making them work for very little pay are an increasing problem.

In Britain and the US **gang** now usually means a **street gang**, a group of young people in an **inner city** area. Gangs have their own parts of the city and keep other gangs out of them. They may show which parts of the city they control by **tagging**, spraying paint in particular designs on the walls in the area. People who belong to such gangs are called **gang members**. Crimes

commonly associated with street gangs include selling ↑**drugs** and, in the US, **drive-by shootings**, when they shoot a member of another gang while driving past, often injuring other people at the same time. In Britain gun crime related to rival gangs is increasing. In Britain in the 1960s and 1970s gangs of **skinheads** caused fear among ethnic minority groups, and in recent years Asian and West Indian gangs have been established in places such as Birmingham and Manchester. Many of these gangs were formed originally to defend the local community, but then became involved in criminal activity. There are also football gangs, groups of supporters who attack rival **fans** at big matches.

Example Bank:

- A lot of the lads belong to gangs.
- Fights had ensued between rival gangs of football fans.
- He forced me to join his gang.
- Her cousin was killed in a gang fight when he was only 16.
- Her friends made me feel welcome and treated me as one of the gang.
- I go out with a gang of friends most Saturdays.
- The robbery was carried out by an armed gang.
- We were in the same gang.
- You probably go with a gang of friends to the same pub most Saturdays.
- a gang fight between two rival teenage gangs
- a gang of skinheads
- a street gang known as the Hooligans
- a tale of LA gang life
- He was accused of having links with drug smuggling and criminal gangs.
- Several gang members have been arrested.
- The gang leader usually agrees a rate with the site manager.
- The work was done by convicts working in gangs.
- There was a whole gang of us who went out together at weekends.
- We go skiing every year with the same gang.
- a criminal gang
- a prison/work gang

Derived ↑**gang together** ▪ ↑**gang up**

verb

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	gang
	BrE /gæŋ/
	NAme /gæŋ/
he / she / it	gangs
	BrE /gæŋz/
	NAme /gæŋz/
past simple, past participle	ganged
	BrE /gæŋd/
	NAme /gæŋd/
-ing form	ganging
	BrE /gæŋŋ/
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1. **gang**¹ **S3** /gæŋ/ BrE¹ AmE¹ noun [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: 'way, journey', the modern meaning comes from the idea of a group of people "going" together]

1.

a) a group of young people who spend time together, and who are often involved in crime or drugs and who often fight against other groups:

two rival street gangs

gang member/member of a gang

The parents have denied that their son is a gang member.

the problem of inner-city gang violence

a victim of gang warfare

b) a group of young people together in one place, especially young people who might cause trouble

gang of

There were always gangs of kids hanging around the mall.

2. a group of criminals who work together:

Several gangs were operating in the area.

Armed gangs have hijacked lorries.

gang of

a gang of smugglers

3. **informal** a group of friends, especially young people:

The whole gang will be there next weekend.

4. a group of workers or prisoners doing physical work together

⇒ ↑chain gang

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COLLOCATIONS

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + gang

- a **criminal gang** He had links with drug smuggling and criminal gangs.
- an **armed gang** (=with guns) An armed gang stole jewels worth more than five million pounds.
- a **rival gang** Fighting between rival gangs left dozens of people injured.
- a **street gang** (=which spends a lot of time on the streets) He belonged to a notorious street gang which terrorized a Chicago suburb.
- a **teenage /youth gang** At age nine, Pedro joined one of the youth gangs in his neighborhood, just to survive.

gang + NOUN

- a **gang member /a member of a gang** Gang members are thought to be responsible for up to 20% of murders in the city.
- a **gang leader** Gang leaders used cellphones to order the attacks.
- **gang violence** Residents say that gang violence is common.
- **gang warfare** (=fighting between gangs) Gang warfare is wrecking the neighborhood.
- **gang crime** (=crime committed by gangs) The initiative aims to cut gang crime in Los Angeles.
- **gang activity** In most areas, gun crime is linked to gang activity.

verbs

- **join a gang** He was only eight when he joined the gang.
- **belong to a gang** Eleven men belonging to a local gang were arrested.

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of people

- **group** several people together in the same place: A group of boys stood by the school gate. | Arrange yourselves in groups of three.
- **crowd** a large group of people who have come to a place to do something: There were crowds of shoppers in the streets. | The crowd all cheered.
- **mob** a large, noisy, and perhaps violent crowd: An angry mob of demonstrators approached.
- **mass** a large group of people all close together in one place, so that they seem like a single thing: The square in front of the station was a solid mass of people.
- **bunch** *informal* a group of people who are all similar in some way: They're a nice bunch of kids.
- **gang** a group of young people, especially a group that often causes trouble and fights: He was attacked by a gang of youths.
- **rabble** a noisy group of people who are behaving badly: He was met by a rabble of noisy angry youths.
- **horde** a very large group of people who all go somewhere: In summer hordes of tourists flock to the island. | There were hordes of people coming out of the subway.
- **crew** a group of people who all work together, especially on a ship or plane: the ship's crew | The flight crew will serve drinks shortly.
- **party** a group of people who are travelling or working together: A party of tourists stood at the entrance to the temple.

II. **gang**² *BrE* *AmE* *verb*

gang together *phrasal verb*

if people gang together, they form a group in order to do something together, especially to oppose something:

The smaller shopkeepers ganged together to beat off competition from the supermarkets.

gang up on/against somebody *phrasal verb*

if people gang up on someone, they join together to attack, criticize, or oppose them, especially in a way that seems unfair:

Schoolchildren are quick to gang up on anyone who looks or behaves differently.

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