

# beg

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[beg] *v*

1. 1) просить

to beg permission /leave/ (of smb.) - просить разрешения /разрешения/ (у кого-л.)

to beg a favour of /from/ smb. - просить кого-л. о любезности /об одолжении/

I beg your pardon - а) прошу извинить меня; простите, пожалуйста; б) простите, что вы сказали?, повторите, пожалуйста, я не расслышал!

2) умолять, молить

to beg for help - просить /умолять/ о помощи

to beg for mercy - молить о пощаде

to beg for one's life - молить (убийцу, судью) о пощаде

2. нищенствовать; просить подаяния

to beg from door to door - просить милостыню, ходить с сумой

to beg one's bread - жить подаянием

3. служить, стоять на задних лапках (о собаке)

4. *канц.* сметь, осмеливаться

to beg to do smth. - взять на себя смелость /позволить себе/ сделать что-л.

I beg to report - осмелюсь /имею честь/ доложить

I beg to differ - позволю себе не согласиться

I beg to say - разрешите сказать; позволю себе выразить мнение

we beg to inform you - извещаем вас

we beg to enclose - при сём прилагается

we beg to acknowledge the receipt ... - настоящим подтверждаем получение ...

◇ to beg the question - а) голословно утверждать что-л.; приводить в качестве аргумента спорное положение; but that is begging the question! - но это не доказательство!; б) уклоняться от предмета спора /от сути дела/

to beg smb. for a fool - *усл.* считать кого-л. дураком

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[beg] *n усл.*

бек, бей

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**beg** [beg begs begged begging] *BrE* [beg] <sup>#</sup> *NAmE* [beg] <sup>#</sup> *verb* (-gg-)

1. **intransitive, transitive** to ask sb for sth especially in an anxious way because you want or need it very much

- ~ (for sth) He wants to see them beg for mercy.
- ~ sb (for sth) They begged him for help.
- Forgive me, I beg you!
- ~ sth (of/from sb) She begged permission to leave.
- I managed to beg a lift from a passing motorist.
- Can I beg a favour of you?
- ~ (sb) + speech 'Give me one more chance,' he begged (her).
- ~ sb to do sth She begged him not to go.
- ~ to do sth He begged to be told the truth.
- ~ that... (formal) She begged that she be allowed to go.
- (BrE also) She begged that she should be allowed to go.
- ~ of sb (formal) Don't leave me here, I beg of you!

2. **intransitive, transitive** to ask sb for money, food, etc, especially in the street

- London is full of homeless people begging in the streets.
- a begging letter (= one that asks sb for money)
- a begging bowl (= used to ↑beg for money with)
- ~ for sth (from sb) The children were begging for food.
- ~ sth (from sb) We managed to beg a meal from the cafe owner.

3. **intransitive** if a dog begs, it sits on its back legs with its front legs in the air, waiting to be given sth

**Idioms:** ↑I beg to differ ▪ ↑I beg your pardon ▪ ↑beg leave to do something ▪ ↑beg somebody's pardon ▪ ↑beg the question ▪ ↑going begging

**Derived** ↑beg off

**Verb forms:** verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we / they	beg
	BrE /beg/
	NAmE /beg/
he / she / it	begs
	BrE /begz/
	NAmE /begz/
past simple, past participle	begged
	BrE /begd/
	NAmE /begd/
-ing form	begging
	BrE /begɪŋ/
	NAmE /begɪŋ/

## Word Origin:

Middle English: probably from Old English *bedecian*, of Germanic origin; related to **†bid** <sup>2</sup>.

## Thesaurus:

**beg** *verb*, T

• beg for mercy

**plead** • • **ask** • • **appeal** • |**formal implore** • • **request** •

beg/plead/ask **for** sth

beg/plead with/ask/appeal to/implore/request **sb to do sth**

## Example Bank:

- Don't leave me, he begged her silently.
- He had to beg food from passers-by.
- In the end they almost begged him to take the job.
- They were forced to beg for food.
- We humbly beg Your Majesty to show mercy.
- We went to him to beg for forgiveness
- begging for food
- 'Give me one more chance,' he begged.
- Don't leave me here, I beg of you!
- He gets thousands of begging letters.
- I managed to beg a ride from a passing motorist.
- There were homeless people begging in the streets.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**beg** /beg/ *BrE* " *AmE* " *verb* (past tense and past participle **begged**, present participle **begging**)

[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: Probably from Old English *bedecian*]

1. **ASK** [*intransitive and transitive*] to ask for something in an anxious or urgent way, because you want it very much:

" She begged and pleaded with them until they finally agreed.

" She fought back the sudden urge to run to him and **beg** his forgiveness.

**beg to do something**

" The children begged to come with us.

**beg somebody to do something**

" I begged Helen to stay, but she wouldn't listen.

**beg (somebody) for something**

" She ran to the nearest house and begged for help.

" We could hear the prisoners begging for mercy.

**I beg of you formal (=please)**

" Listen, I beg of you.

**beg leave to do something formal (=ask permission to do something)**

2. **MONEY/FOOD** [*intransitive and transitive*] to ask people to give you food, money etc, usually because you are very poor

**beg (something) from somebody**

" a ragged child begging from passing shoppers

**beg for**

" The old man went from door to door begging for food.

" a begging letter (=a letter asking for money)

3. **ANIMAL** [*intransitive*] if a dog begs, it sits up with its front legs off the ground

4. **I beg your pardon spoken**

a) used to ask someone to repeat what they have just said:

" 'The meeting's on Wednesday.' 'I beg your pardon?' 'I said the meeting's on Wednesday.'

b) used to say sorry when you have made a mistake, or said something wrong or embarrassing:

" Oh, I beg your pardon. I thought you said 15 pence, not 50.

c) used to show that you strongly disagree with something that someone has said, or think it is unacceptable:

" 'Chicago's an awful place.' 'I beg your pardon, that's where I'm from!'

5. **I beg to differ spoken formal** used to say firmly that you do not agree with something that has been said:

" I must beg to differ on this point.

6. **beg the question**

a) to make you want to ask a question that has not yet been answered

**beg the question of**

" This proposal begs the question of who is going to pay for the new building.

b) to treat an idea as though it were true or had been proved, when this may not be the case

7. **be going begging British English spoken** if something is going begging, it is available for anyone who wants it:

" There's a beer going begging, if anyone's interested.

8. **beg, borrow, or steal** to do whatever you must in order to get what you want – often used humorously:

" She'd beg, borrow, or steal the money for those shoes.

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## THESAURUS

## ■ to ask for something

- **ask for** to tell someone you want them to give you something: I'm going to ask for a pay rise.
- **order** to ask for food or drink in a restaurant: We ordered some more coffee. | Have you ordered yet?
- **demand** to ask for something in a firm way, insisting that someone gives you what you ask for: They're demanding immediate payment. | If the goods are faulty, you can demand a refund.
- **request** *formal* to ask for something: The pilot requested permission to land. | I enclose the information you requested.
- **beg/plead** to ask for something in an urgent way, because you want it very much and will be very unhappy if you do not get it: He begged me for some money. | I'm not going to plead for forgiveness.
- **nag/pester** to keep asking someone for something, in an annoying way: She keeps nagging me for a new phone. | People were pestering him for his autograph.

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12500 **3679**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **2620**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **2k** **BEG** 10913

beg 3059

begs 979

begging 2932

begged 2585

beggars 684

beggar 674

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

1457 **14844**<sup>1724</sup> *vv0*

1107 **18485**<sup>1231</sup> *vvi*

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