

toy**1. [tɔɪ] n****1. 1) игрушка (детская)**

toy shop - магазин игрушек

toy box - коробка для игрушек

2) что-л. напоминающее игрушку

the tug was a toy beside the ship it guided - буксир казался игрушечным рядом с судном, которое он тащил

2. 1) забава, развлечение

to make a toy of smth. - забавляться /увлекаться/ чем-л.

2) беспомощный человек

he was a mere toy in her hands - он был игрушкой в её руках

the wrecked sailors were but helpless toys in the raging ocean - потерпевшие кораблекрушение моряки были абсолютно беспомощны в бушующем океане

3) человек, с которым можно не считаться; ничтожество, слабак**4) любовница; женщина для забав****3. что-л. маленькое, кукольное, миниатюрное**

a toy of a church - церквушка

a toy of a dog - собачонка

4. сл. часы

toy and tackle - часики с цепочкой

5. шотл. косынка, головной платок**6. 1) безделушка; пустяк****2) pl чепуха, вздор, ерунда****3) небылица, вымысел, плод фантазии****4) безделица, (милый) пустячок (о литературном или музыкальном произведении, картине, речи и т. п.)****7. уст.****1) флирт; приятное времяпрепровождение****2) игра****2. [tɔɪ] a****1. игрушечный, кукольный**

toy dog - собачка (игрушка) [см. тж. 2]

toy house - кукольный домик

toy monkey - игрушечная обезьянка

toy soldier - а) оловянный солдатик; б) солдат бездействующей армии

toy railway - игрушечная железная дорога

toy theatre - кукольный театр; театр марионеток

to run a toy car - ездить на детском автомобиле

2. комнатный; предназначенный для развлечений

toy dog - комнатная собачка [см. тж. 1]

toy poodle - карликовый пудель

toy fish - рыбка для аквариума

3. 1) миниатюрный

toy furniture - миниатюрная мебель

toy stove - маленькая /миниатюрная/ печька

2) маленький; ненастоящий; напоминающий что-л. большое

toy army - игрушечная армия

toy Napoleon - (жалкое) подобие Наполеона, маленький Наполеон

3. [tɔɪ] v (with)**1. 1) вертеть в руках**

he toyed with a pencil - он вертел в руках карандаш

2) играть, баловаться

don't toy with the matches - не балуйся со спичками

3) несерьёзно делать что-л.

he was not hungry and only toyed with his food - он не был голоден и лениво ковырял еду /лениво ковырялся в своей тарелке/

2. играть, дурачиться, забавляться; несерьёзно относиться

to toy with an idea - играть с мыслью

to toy with a young girl's affections - играть чувствами девушки

to toy with the muse - пописывать

he is merely toying with you - он просто играет вами

3. флиртовать

toy [toy toys toyed toying] **noun, adjective, verb** *BrE* [tɔɪ] ^{uk} *NAmE* [tɔɪ] ^{us}

noun



1. an object for children to play with
 - **cuddly/soft toys**
 - The children were playing happily with their toys.
2. an object that you have for enjoyment or pleasure rather than for a serious purpose

Syn: ↑plaything

- executive toys
- His latest toy is the electric drill he bought last week.

Word Origin:

late Middle English: of unknown origin. The word originally denoted a funny story or remark, later an antic or trick, or a frivolous entertainment. The verb dates from the early 16th cent.

Culture:

toys and games

Most young children are given toys for their ↑**birthday** or at ↑**Christmas**. Many regularly spend their pocket money or allowance on smaller toys. Popular toys include building bricks such as Lego, plastic farm animals, toy cars, model railways and dressing-up costumes. Girls especially have **dolls**, and several sets of clothes to dress them in. ↑**Action Man** figures are mainly for boys and ↑**Barbie dolls** for girls. Babies are given **rattles**, soft **cuddly toys** and a ↑**teddy bear**. **Action figures**, small plastic models of characters from television shows or films, are also popular. Some parents do not allow their children to have guns or other 'violent' toys because they do not want them to think it is fun to kill people.

Among traditional games that are still popular are marbles, which is played with small, coloured glass balls, **board games** such as ↑**snakes and ladders** and ↑**ludo**, **card games** such as **Happy Families**, and **word games** such as ↑**hangman**. Board and card games are played with family or friends, but children play alone with **computer games** or video games.

Many children collect objects, such as shells, model animals, stamps or picture cards. In the US baseball cards, cards with a picture of a baseball player on them, are sold with bubblegum. In Britain picture cards are often given free in packets of breakfast cereal.

Children play outside with skipping ropes, bicycles, skateboards and Rollerblades™. In **playgrounds** there are often swings, a slide, a see-saw and a climbing frame (**AmE** jungle gym) to climb on. Traditional games played outside include hopscotch, a game in which children hop oversquares drawn on the ground to try to pick up a stone, and tag, in which one child chases the others until he or she catches one of them and then that child has to chase the rest.

Toys are often expensive and, even if they can afford them, many parents are unwilling to spend a lot of money on something that they know their children will soon get bored with. Children want toys they see advertised on television or in ↑**comics**, or toys that their friends already have. There are sometimes crazes for toys connected with characters from a film.

Few people give up toys and games completely when they become adults. Many keep their old teddy bear for sentimental reasons. There are now also **executive toys**, made specially for adults to keep on their desks. Many people play card games like bridge and poker, and board games such as **Scrabble**, **Monopoly**, backgammon and chess.

Example Bank:

- All kinds of toys can be borrowed from the toy library.
- Desktop publishing is probably the best executive toy ever invented.
- Forty-two-year-old James showed us his favourite boy toy: a train set.
- Freddie kept snatching toys from the other children.
- He loved buying cars and expensive toys.
- My husband's abandoned me for his shiny new toy.
- My son has lost his favourite/favorite toy.
- She has a 17-year-old toy boy.
- She introduced me to her handsome boy toy.
- Stop grabbing Debbie's toys!

Derived ↑toy with something

adjective only before noun

1. made as a copy of a particular thing and used for playing with
 - a toy car
 - toy soldiers
2. (of a dog) of a very small breed
 - a toy poodle

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verb

Verb forms:

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present simple	
I / you / we / they	toy
	BrE /tɔɪ/
	NAme /tɔɪ/
he / she / it	toys
	BrE /tɔɪz/
	NAme /tɔɪz/
past simple, past participle	toyed
	BrE /tɔɪd/
	NAme /tɔɪd/
-ing form	toying
	BrE /tɔɪɪŋ/
	NAme /tɔɪɪŋ/

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- He was toying nervously with his food.

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I. toy¹ S3 /tɔɪ/ BrE " AmE " noun [countable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: toy 'amusing story or action' (15-18 centuries)]

1. an object for children to play with:

some toys for the baby

toy car/soldier/gun etc

soft/cuddly toy *British English* (=a toy that looks like an animal and is covered in fur)

Annie was playing happily with her toys.

2. an object that you buy because it gives you pleasure and enjoyment, especially one that you don't really need:

The food mixer is her latest toy.

3. sex toy an object that adults use to obtain sexual pleasure

II. toy² BrE " AmE " verb

toy with somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. to think about an idea or possibility, usually for a short time and not very seriously

toy with the idea of doing something

I've been toying with the idea of going to Japan to visit them.

2. to keep moving and touching an object or food:

He spoke casually and toyed with his pen.

Laura was toying with her food and looking increasingly bored.

3. to lie to someone or trick them, for example saying that you love them when you do not

III. toy³ BrE " AmE " adjective [only before noun]

a toy animal or dog is a type of dog that is specially bred to be very small:

a toy poodle

toy

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