

lonely['lɒnli] *a*

1. одинокий

to feel lonely - чувствовать себя одиноким; томиться одиночеством

2. *поэт. см.* lone 2

lonely village - деревня в стороне от дороги; заброшенная /глухая/ деревня

lonely wood - глухой лес

a lonely life in the country - деревенское уединение

to lead a lonely life /existence/ - вести одинокий образ жизни, жить замкнуто, уединённо

3. *поэт.* навевающий тоску; унылый

lonely exile - горестное изгнание

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lonely ['lɒnli] *BrE* ['lɒnli] *AmE* ['lɒnli] *adj.*

(lone-lier, lone-li-est)

1. unhappy because you have no friends or people to talk to

• She lives alone and often feels lonely.

• As I didn't speak the language I grew lonelier and lonelier.

2. (of a situation or period of time) sad and spent alone

• all those lonely nights at home watching TV

3. **only before noun** (of places) where only a few people ever come or visit**Syn:** †isolated

• a lonely beach

Derived Word †lonelinessWord Origin:

late 16th cent.: from †lone + †-ly.

Thesaurus:**lonely** *adj.*

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alone • • **isolated** • • **desolate** • |written **forlorn** •**feel** lonely/alone/isolated/desolate/forlorn**Lonely or alone?** **Alone** is slightly more informal than **lonely** and cannot be used before a noun.2. **usually before noun**

• He thought of those lonely nights watching TV.

solitary • • **alone** • • **by yourself** • • **on your own** •a lonely/solitary **existence/life/walk**Which Word?:**alone / lonely / lone****Alone**, and **on your own /by yourself** (which are less formal and are the normal phrases used in spoken English), describe a person or thing that is separate from others. They do not mean that the person is unhappy: ▪ I like being alone in the house. ◊▪ I'm going to London by myself next week. ◊▪ I want to finish this on my own (= without anyone's help) ▪.**Lone/solitary/single** mean that there is only one person or thing there; **lone** and **solitary** may sometimes suggest that the speaker thinks the person involved is lonely: ▪ a lone jogger in the park ◊▪ long, solitary walks**Lonely** (*NAmE* also **lonesome**) means that you are alone and sad: ▪ a lonely child ◊▪ Sam was very lonely when he first moved to New York. It can also describe places or activities that make you feel lonely: ▪ a lonely houseExample Bank:

- It gets pretty lonely here in winter.
- She felt oddly lonely without her books.
- She was desperately lonely at school.
- As I didn't speak the language I grew lonelier and lonelier.
- He thought back to all those lonely nights at home watching TV.
- The support they give to lonely old people is invaluable
- There are times when I feel very lonely.

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lonely /'lɒnli/ \$ 'loʊn- / *BrE* *AmE* *adj.* (comparative **lonelier**, superlative**loneliest**)1. unhappy because you are alone or do not have anyone to talk to **SYN lonesome** *American English:*

▪ a lonely old man

▪ Don't you get lonely being on your own all day?

▶ Do not use **lonely** to mean 'without anyone else'. Use **alone**: *She is afraid to travel alone (NOT travel lonely).*

2. a lonely experience or situation makes you unhappy because you are alone or do not have anyone to talk to:

▪ a lonely journey

lonely life/existence

He led a lonely life with few friends.

3. **the lonely** [plural] people who are lonely

4. a lonely place is a long way from where people live and very few people go there **SYN lonesome American English, remote, desolate**

lonely place/road/spot etc

—loneliness *noun* [uncountable]

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THESAURUS

- **lonely** (also **lonesome American English**) unhappy because you are alone or do not have any friends: Tammy felt very lonely when she first arrived in New York. | Our neighbor George is a very lonely man. | I get so lonesome here with no one to talk to.
- **isolated** lonely because your situation makes it difficult for you to meet people: People caring for sick relatives often feel very isolated. | Children of very rich parents can grow up isolated from the rest of society.
- **alienated** feeling that you do not belong in a particular place or group: She felt very alienated as the only woman in the company. | In high school she felt somehow different and alienated from other students.
- **homesick** unhappy because you are a long way from your home and the people who live there: When I first went to Germany, I was very homesick.
- **miss somebody** used when saying that you feel unhappy because someone is not there with you: I miss you. | She misses her friends.

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