

flood**1. [flʌd] n**

1) наводнение; половодье; разлив; разлитие

in flood - разлившаяся, затопившая берега (о реке *и т. п.*)

a flood bed /land/ - пойма, заливной луг

flood flow - расход паводка

flood level - уровень наводнения *или* паводка

2) (the Flood) *библ.* всемирный потоп

before the Flood - в допотопные времена

2. поток

flood of rain - потоки дождя

flood of light - море огней, поток света

flood of tears - море слёз, потоки слёз

flood of words - поток слов

floods of ink - море чернил

golden flood - сноп солнечных лучей

flood of callers - поток посетителей

3. прилив

ebb and flood - прилив и отлив

4. *уст.*, *поэт.* (большая) река; море, океан

flood and field - море и суша

5. *разг. см.* floodlight I

6. *мед.* маточное кровотоечение

◇ at the flood - в удобный /благоприятный/ момент

to take at the flood - использовать возможность, не упустить случая

to row against the flood - идти /плыть/ против течения

to stem the flood - сдерживать, противодействовать, преградить путь

2. [flʌd] v

1. 1) заливать, затоплять

to flood a burning house with water - тушить горящий дом струями воды

to flood with light - заливать светом

2) наводнять

to flood with letters [inquiries] - забрасывать письмами [вопросами]

troops flooded the countryside - войска наводнили всю округу

he was flooded with invitations - его засыпали приглашениями

to flood the market - наводнять рынок товарами (*вызывая понижение цен*)

2. 1) устремиться, хлынуть потоком

2) наполняться до краёв

3) выступать из берегов (о реке *и т. п.*); подниматься (об уровне воды)

3. орошать

to flood arable land - орошать пахотные земли

4. *мед.* страдать маточным кровотоечением

5. *тех.* наполнять водой (*трубы и т. п.*)

flood

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flood [flood floods flooded flooding] noun, verb *BrE* [flʌd] [ⓘ] *NAmE* [flʌd] [ⓘ]

noun

WATER

1. **countable, uncountable** a large amount of water covering an area that is usually dry

- The heavy rain has caused floods in many parts of the country.
- flood damage
- Police have issued **flood warnings** for Nevada
- an appeal to help flood victims
- the Thames flood barrier
- The river is **in flood** (= has more water in it than normal and has caused a flood) .

see also †flash flood

LARGE NUMBER

2. **countable** ~ (of sth) a very large number of things or people that appear at the same time

- a flood of complaints
- a flood of refugees
- The child was **in floods of tears** (= crying a lot) .

IN BIBLE

3. **the Flood singular** the great flood that covered the world in the Bible story

- before the Flood (= a very long time ago)

Word Origin:

Old English flōd, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch vloed and German Flut, also to ↑flow.

Thesaurus:

flood noun

1. C, U

- Rain caused floods in many areas.

flash flood • • **torrent** • • **tidal wave** • • **tsunami** • |especially written **deluge** •

cause a flood/flash flood/tidal wave/tsunami
floods/flash floods/a tidal wave/a tsunami **hit/hits** sth
a flood/tidal wave/tsunami **destroys** sth

2. C (usually followed by 'of')

- A flood of phone calls followed the broadcast.

stream • • **barrage** • • **torrent** • |written **shower** • • **hail** • • **outpouring** •

a flood/stream/torrent of **words**

a flood/stream of **calls**

floods/a torrent of **tears**

unleash a flood/barrage/torrent of sth

Example Bank:

- No one knew that the flood was coming.
- She was inundated by floods of fan mail.
- The fields were inundated by heavy floods.
- The flood caused widespread destruction.
- The floods are slowly subsiding.
- The little girl was in floods of tears.
- The river was in full flood.
- This summer the region was struck by devastating floods.
- Writing about St. John's brings back a flood of nostalgic memories.
- a great flood of refugees
- A great flood of anger washed through him.
- Authorities are struggling to cope with the flood of refugees.
- Conversation returned, a trickle breaking into a flood.
- The building was evacuated as flood water filled the basement.
- The insurance does not cover flood damage to gates, hedges or fences.
- They took on temporary workers in anticipation of a flood of calls.

Derived Words ↑flooded = ↑flooding

Derived ↑flood somebody out

verb

FILL WITH WATER

1. **intransitive, transitive** if a place floods or sth floods it, it becomes filled or covered with water

- The cellar floods whenever it rains heavily.
- ~ **sth** If the pipe bursts it could flood the whole house.

OF RIVER

2. **intransitive, transitive** to become so full that it spreads out onto the land around it

- When the Ganges floods, it causes considerable damage.
- ~ **sth** The river flooded the valley.

LARGE NUMBERS

3. **intransitive** ~ **in/into/out of sth** to arrive or go somewhere in large numbers

Syn: ↑pour

- Refugees continue to flood into neighbouring countries.
- Telephone calls **came flooding in** from all over the country.

4. **transitive, usually passive** ~ **sb/sth with sth** to send sth somewhere in large numbers

- The office was flooded with applications for the job.
- We've been flooded with complaints.

5. **transitive** to become or make sth become available in a place in large numbers

- ~ **sth** Cheap imported goods are **flooding the market**.
- ~ **sth with sth** A man who planned to flood Britain with cocaine was jailed for 15 years.

OF FEELING/THOUGHT

6. **intransitive, transitive** to affect sb suddenly and strongly

- + **adv./prep.** A great sense of relief flooded over him.
- Memories of her childhood **came flooding back**.
- ~ **sb with sth** The words flooded him with self-pity.

OF LIGHT/COLOUR

- 7. **intransitive, transitive** to spread suddenly into sth; to cover sth
 - **+ adv./prep.** She drew the curtains and the sunlight flooded in.
 - **~ sth** She looked away as the colour flooded her cheeks.
 - **be flooded with sth** The room was flooded with evening light.

ENGINE

- 8. **intransitive, transitive ~ (sth)** if an engine floods or if you flood it, it becomes so full of petrol/gas that it will not start

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	flood
	BrE /flood/
	NAme /flood/
he / she / it	floods
	BrE /floodz/
	NAme /floodz/
past simple, past participle	flooded
-ing form	flooding
	BrE /floodɪŋ/
	NAme /floodɪŋ/

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flood verb

1. I

- The river flooded, causing immense destruction.

overflow • **burst its banks** •

a river floods/overflows/bursts its banks

2. I (always used with an adverb or preposition)

- Refugees continued to flood into neighbouring countries.

pour • **stream** • **surge** • |informal **pile** • |often disapproving **swarm** •

flood/pour/stream/surge/pile/swarm **into** sth

flood/pour/stream/swarm **out of** sth

come flooding/pouring/streaming in/out

Flood or pour? **Flood** places more emphasis on the large numbers of people or things involved **pour** emphasizes that the action continues over a period of time.

Example Bank:

- The area near the river is liable to flood.
- The village had been badly flooded.
- Telephone calls came pouring/flooding in from all over the country.
- We've been flooded with complaints.

flood

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I. **flood**¹ **W3** /flood/ BrE ^u AmE ^u verb

1. **COVER WITH WATER** [intransitive and transitive] to cover a place with water, or to become covered with water:

- Towns and cities all over the country have been flooded.
- The houses down by the river flood quite regularly.

2. **RIVER** [intransitive and transitive] if a river floods, it is too full, and spreads water over the land around it:

- There are now fears that the river could flood.

3. **GO/ARRIVE IN LARGE NUMBERS** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to arrive or go somewhere in large numbers **SYN**

pour, flow:

- Refugees are still flooding across the border.
- Donations have been flooding in since we launched the appeal.

4. **flood something with something** to send a very large number of things to a place or organization:

- a plan to flood the country with forged banknotes

5. **be flooded with something** to receive so many letters, complaints, or inquiries that you cannot deal with them all easily:

- We've been flooded with offers of help.

6. **flood the market** to produce and sell a very large number of one type of thing, so that the price goes down

flood the market with

- Car manufacturers have been accused of flooding the market with cheap cars.

7. **LIGHT** [intransitive and transitive] if light floods a place or floods into it, it makes it very light and bright

flood into

- Light flooded into the kitchen.

flood something with something

- The morning sun flooded the room with a gentle light.

8. **FEELING** [I always + adv/prep, T] if a feeling or memory floods over you or floods back, you feel or remember it very strongly

flood over/back

- " I felt happiness and relief flooding over me.
- " Memories of my time in Paris flooded back.

9. ENGINE [intransitive and transitive] if an engine floods or if you flood it, it has too much petrol in it, so that it will not start

flood somebody ↔ **out** *phrasal verb*

to force someone to leave their home because of floods

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THESAURUS

- **wet** to put water or another liquid onto something to make it wet. In spoken English, people will often use **get something wet** rather than **wet**: He wet the washcloth and washed Tom's face.
- **splash** to make someone or something wet by making a lot of small drops of water fall onto them: The kids were playing around in the pool, splashing each other. | I accidentally splashed soup onto my shirt.
- **soak** to put something in water for a long time or to make something very wet – use this especially when something is put into water or the water comes up from underneath to make it wet: Soak the beans overnight before cooking. | The rain had come in through the bottom of our tent and completely soaked our clothes.
- **drench** to make someone or something extremely wet with a large amount of water – use this especially when water is poured or falls on something: He drenched us all with the hose. | Her shirt was drenched in sweat.
- **saturate** *formal* to completely cover or fill something with liquid, so that it is wet all the way through: Heavy rains had saturated the ground.
- **flood** to cover an area of land with a large amount of water: Farmers flood the fields in order to grow rice.
- **moisten** to make something slightly wet by putting a small amount of water or another liquid on it, especially to stop it from getting too dry: Add just enough water to moisten the cake mixture. | Tom paused and moistened his lips.
- **dampen** to make something slightly wet by putting a little water on it: Rain came in through the window, dampening the curtains.

II. flood² BrE¹ AmE¹ noun

[Language: Old English; Origin: flood]

1. [uncountable and countable] a very large amount of water that covers an area that is usually dry:

- " The village was cut off by floods.
- " the worst floods for over fifty years

2. [countable] a very large number of things or people that arrive at the same time

flood of

- " The UN appealed for help with the flood of refugees crossing the border.

3. **in floods of tears** crying a lot:

- " She came downstairs in floods of tears.

4. **in flood** a river that is in flood has much more water in it than usual

⇒ **flash flood** at ↑flash³(1)

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THESAURUS

■ natural disasters

- **earthquake** a sudden shaking of the earth's surface that often causes a lot of damage: A powerful earthquake struck the Indonesian island of Sulawesi. | It was the biggest earthquake to hit the Pacific Northwest for 52 years.
- **flood** a very large amount of water that covers an area that is usually dry: Bangladesh has been hit by a series of devastating floods (=very bad floods). | The crisis began with floods that covered one third of the countryside.
- **drought** a long period of dry weather when there is not enough water for plants and animals to live: The country experienced its worst drought this century. | In East Africa, three years of drought have left 10 million people in urgent need of food and water.
- **famine** a situation in which a large number of people have little or no food for a long time and many people die: Poor harvests led to famine. | 4,000,000 people are threatened by famine in northern Ethiopia.
- **hurricane** a storm that has very strong fast winds and that moves over water – used about storms in the North Atlantic Ocean: extreme weather such as hurricanes | Hurricane Andrew left southern Florida in ruins.
- **typhoon** a violent tropical storm – used about storms in the Western Pacific Ocean: A typhoon has hit the Philippines, lifting roofs off houses and uprooting trees.
- **tsunami** a very large wave, caused by extreme conditions such as an earthquake, which can cause a lot of damage when it reaches land: Thousands of people were killed in the tsunami. | Many Pacific earthquakes have generated tsunamis.

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