

1. [blæŋk] *n*

1. пустое, свободное место (*особ. на бумаге*)
leave a blank for his signature - оставьте место для его подписи
2. бланк
3. тире, отточие (*вместо пропущенного или нецензурного слова*); прочерк; пропуск (*оставленное место*)
4. 1) пробел
he must fill in the blanks in his education - он должен восполнить пробелы в своём образовании
the next ten years of his life are a blank - о последующих десяти годах его жизни ничего неизвестно
- 2) провал в памяти
my mind is a complete blank - я ничего не помню
5. пустота, опустошённость
her son's death made a great blank in her life - после смерти сына её жизнь стала совершенно пустой
6. пустой потерянный билет
to draw a blank - а) вынуть пустой билет; б) потерпеть неудачу
7. слово, вписанное курсивом в парламентский билль
8. пластинка *или* поле без очков (*в домино*)
9. *воен.* яблоко мишени, цель
10. *тех.*
1) заготовка; болванка
2) вырубка (*из-под штампа*)
11. *радио* дно (электронно-лучевой) трубки
12. *хим.* слепой опыт
13. *спец.* пауза, пробел (*при вычислениях*)
◇ check in blank - чек на предъявителя
plea in blank = blank plea [*см.* blank II ◇]

2. [blæŋk] *a*

1. 1) чистый, неисписанный (*о бумаге*)
blank paper [sheet, space] - чистая бумага [страница, -ое место]
- 2) незаполненный (*о документе и т. п.*)
blank bill - бланковый вексель
blank (voting) bulletin - незаполненный избирательный бюллетень
blank credit - бланковый кредит, кредит без обеспечения
blank map - немая карта
blank file - *воен.* неполный ряд
blank hole - *горн.* безрудная скважина
blank spot - огрех (*на пашне или покосе*)
2. незастроенный (*о месте*)
there are still many blank spaces in this suburb - в этом пригороде ещё много незастроенных мест
3. холостой (*о патроне, заряде*)
blank ammunition - холостые боеприпасы
blank cartridge - холостой патрон
blank charge - холостой заряд
blank firepowder - порох для холостых зарядов
blank shot - холостой выстрел
4. невыразительный лишённый содержания, пустой
blank existence - пустое /бесполезное/ существование
blank face - невыразительное/непроницаемое/ лицо
blank look - невыразительный/бессмысленный/ взгляд
a blank stretch of road - скучная часть дороги
blank years - бесплодные годы
his memory is blank - у него пробел в памяти
5. озадаченный, смущённый
to look blank - казаться озадаченным, иметь озадаченный вид
6. *эмоц.-усил.* полный, абсолютный
blank amazement - неопишемое удивление
blank despair - полное отчаяние
blank impossibility - полная невозможность
blank silence - абсолютное молчание
with blank awe - в немом благоговении
to decline blank - отказать наотрез
to deny smth. blank - полностью отрицать что-л
blank terror gripped him - его охватил безотчётный страх
7. сплошной
blank wall - глухая стена
blank window - ложное /слепое/ окно
8. *эмоц.-усил.* чёртов
that is your blank dog again! - опять эта ваша чёртова собака!
9. *амер.* энский, N-ский

blank unit - N-ская часть

10. незавершённый, необработанный

a blank key - заготовка /болванка/ ключа

11. *уст.* белый, бесцветный

◇ blank assay - *слец.* слепая проба

blank plea /bar/ - возражение в процессе (которым жалобщику вменяется в обязанность точно указать место происшествия)

3. [blæŋk] *v*

1. *см.* blank out 1

2. ставить тире, отточие вместо грубого или нецензурного слова

3. *амер. спорт.* обыгрывать «всухую»

4. *уст.*

1) озадачивать, ставить в тупик

2) расстраивать (планы)

5. *тех.* штамповать

blank

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blank [blank blanks blanked blanking blanker blankest] *adjective, noun, verb*

BrE [blæŋk] ¹ *NAmE* [blæŋk] ¹

adjective

1. empty, with nothing written, printed or recorded on it

• Sign your name in the blank space below.

• a blank CD

• Write on one side of the paper and leave the other side blank.

• She turned to a blank page in her notebook.

2. (of a wall or screen) empty; with no pictures, marks or decoration

• blank whitewashed walls

• Suddenly the screen **went blank**.

3. showing no feeling, understanding or interest

• She stared at me with a blank expression on her face.

• Steve **looked blank** and said he had no idea what I was talking about.

• Suddenly **my mind went blank** (= I could not remember anything).

4. *only before noun* (of negative things) complete and total

• a **blank refusal/denial**

see also ↑point-blank

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'white, colourless'): from Old French **blanc** 'white', ultimately of Germanic origin.

Thesaurus:

blank *adj.*

• She stared at me with a blank expression.

expressionless • **impassive** • **inscrutable** • **glazed** • **bland** • **unreadable** •

Opp: expressive

a/an blank/impassive/inscrutable/glazed/bland/unreadable **expression**

blank/expressionless/impassive/inscrutable/bland/unreadable **face**

blank/expressionless/inscrutable/glazed/unreadable **eyes**

a/an blank/inscrutable/glazed **look**

Example Bank:

• His expression remained studiously blank.

• I left the third column blank.

• Kevin's expression turned blank.

• The screen's gone blank.

• What if my mind goes completely blank with panic?

• Her explanation was met with blank looks.

• Suddenly my mind went blank.

Derived Words ↑blankly ▪ ↑blankness

Derived ↑blank out ▪ ↑blank something out

noun

1. *countable* an empty space on a printed form or document for you to write answers, information, etc. in

• Please **fill in the blanks**.

• If you can't answer the question, leave a blank.

2. *singular* a state of not being able to remember anything

• My **mind was a blank** and I couldn't remember her name.

3. *countable* (also **blank 'cartridge'**) a ↑cartridge in a gun that contains an ↑explosive but no bullet

• The troops fired blanks in the air.

see draw a blank **at** ↑draw *v.*

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Example Bank:

- If you don't know the answer, just leave a blank.
- In the test, we had to fill in the blanks.
- Soldiers fired blanks into the sky.

verb

- 1. transitive ~ sb** (BrE, informal) to ignore sb completely
 - I saw her on the bus this morning, but she totally blanked me.
- 2. intransitive** (NAmE) to be suddenly unable to remember or think of sth
 - I knew the answer, but I totally blanked during the test.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	blank
	BrE /blæŋk/
	NAmE /blæŋk/
he / she / it	blanks
	BrE /blæŋks/
	NAmE /blæŋks/
past simple, past participle	blanked
	BrE /blæŋkt/
	NAmE /blæŋkt/
-ing form	blanking
	BrE /blæŋkɪŋ/
	NAmE /blæŋkɪŋ/

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I. blank¹ S3 /blæŋk/ BrE " AmE " adjective

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: blanc; ⇨ †blanch]

1. without any writing, print, or recorded sound:

- Leave the last page blank.
- a blank cassette

2. a blank face or look shows no emotion, understanding, or interest ⇨ blankly

blank face/look/expression/eyes

- Zoe looked at me with a blank expression.
- She gazed at him in blank astonishment.

3. go blank

a) if your mind goes blank, or if you go blank, you are suddenly unable to remember something:

- My heart began to race and my mind went blank.

b) to stop showing any images, writing etc:

- Suddenly the screen went blank.

—blankness noun [uncountable]

⇨ †blank verse

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THESAURUS

■ with nothing in it or on it

- **empty** used about something that has nothing inside: an empty can of hair spray | The fridge is almost empty.
- **blank** used about a computer screen or a piece of paper that has no writing or pictures on it, or a CD, DVD etc with nothing recorded on it: a blank sheet of paper | He stared at the blank screen for a few minutes. | a blank tape
- **bare** used about a room or cupboard that has very little in it: His room was bare except for a bed and a wardrobe.
- **hollow** used about something that has an empty space inside: a hollow tree | The suitcase had a hollow bottom.

II. blank² BrE " AmE " noun [countable]

1. an empty space on a piece of paper, where you are supposed to write a word or letter:

- When you've filled in the blanks, hand the form back to me.

2. my mind's a blank spoken used to say that you cannot remember something:

- I'm trying to think of his name, but my mind's a complete blank.

3. a †cartridge (=container for a bullet in a gun) that contains an explosive but no bullet:

- Soldiers fired blanks into the crowd.

4. be shooting/firing blanks informal if a man is shooting blanks or firing blanks, his †sperm is not able to make a woman †pregnant

⇨ draw a blank at †draw¹(32)

III. blank³ BrE " AmE " verb

1. (also blank out) [intransitive] informal if you blank, or if your mind blanks, you are suddenly unable to remember something:

I just blanked in the oral exam.

2. [transitive] *British English informal* to ignore someone who you would usually greet or speak to:

Last time I saw Mike Adams he completely blanked me.

blank something ↔ **out** *phrasal verb*

1. to cover something so that it cannot be seen:

The actual names had been blanked out.

2. to completely forget something, especially deliberately:

I tried to blank out everything he had said.

blank

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