

defect

1. 1) дефект, недостаток, порок, изъян; неисправность; несовершенство

incurable defect - неустранимый дефект

physical defect - физический недостаток, уродство

birth defect - *слец.* дефект изготовления

defect of eyesight [in pronunciation] - дефект зрения [произношения]

defect in wood - гниль в строительной древесине

defect in smb.'s arguments - слабое место в чьих-л. аргументах

defect in the mechanism - неисправность в механизме

a defect in one's character - отрицательная черта характера

to supply a defect - восполнить недостаток

he has the defects of his qualities - \cong его недостатки суть продолжение его достоинств

2) *лес.* фаут

2. недостаток, нехватка

in defect of smth. - за неимением чего-л.

3. недостающее число *или* количество

defect

изменить, дезертировать; переметнуться в лагерь противника

to defect to the enemy - перебежать к противнику, перейти на сторону противника, стать перебежчиком

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

de-fect [defect defects defected defecting] noun, verb

noun *BrE* ['di:fekt] ^m ; *NAmE* ['di:fekt] ^m *BrE* [dɪ'fekt] ^m ; *NAmE* [dɪ'fekt] ^m

a fault in sth or in the way it has been made which means that it is not perfect

- a speech defect
- a defect in the glass

Word Origin:

n. late Middle English Old French **defect** 'deficiency' Latin **defectus** **deficere** 'desert or fail' **de-** **facere** 'do'

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Thesaurus:

defect noun **C**

• The drug is known to cause birth defects.

fault • • **flaw** • • **imperfection** • • **bug** • • **virus** • |informal **glitch** •

a/an defect/fault/flaw/imperfection/bug/virus/glitch **in** sth

a **technical/mechanical** defect/fault/flaw/glitch

a **computer/software** fault/bug/virus/glitch

have a/an defect/fault/flaw/imperfection/bug/virus/glitch

identify/correct a defect/fault/flaw

Defect or fault? A **fault** can only exist in sth that has been made by people. It can be permanent or temporary and can be present from the beginning or develop later. A **defect** can exist in sth that has been made by people or in a part of the body. It is present from the beginning or from birth and is not temporary, although it may be repaired or treated:

• If a fault develops in the equipment...

✗ **If a defect develops...**

• a birth defect

✗ **a birth fault**

Example Bank:

- Goods with slight defects are sold at half price.
- He has a congenital heart defect.
- The book contains serious defects.
- The builders agreed to remedy the structural defects.
- The child had a mild heart defect.
- The inspector found defects in the aircraft's construction.
- The photograph shows slight defects due to age.
- There is evidence that air pollution can cause birth defects.
- This is a physical defect that cannot be cured.
- a defect of her character
- a fundamental defect in the product
- major defects in the education system
- A structural defect meant that the bridge could not be opened in time for the Millennium celebrations.
- Congenital defects occurred in 30% of babies born in areas where the weapons were used.
- Many people argue that the present system of voting has some serious defects.
- Over-breeding in pedigree dogs can cause major genetic defects in puppies.
- The drug is widely known to cause birth defects.
- The manufacturer is responsible for any defects that may cause damage.
- This product is no longer on sale because of a manufacturing defect.

- Vulnerable people are going short of money because of defects in the payment system.

Derived Words ↑defection ▪ ↑defector

verb **BrE** [dɪ'fekt] ¹ ; **NAme** [dɪ'fekt] ¹ **intransitive ~ (from sth) (to sth)**

to leave a political party, country, etc. to join another that is considered to be an enemy

- A number of writers and musicians defected from the Soviet Union to the West in the 1960s.
- She defected from the party just days before the election.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	defect
	BrE /dɪ'fekt/
	NAme /dɪ'fekt/
he / she / it	defects
	BrE /dɪ'fektz/
	NAme /dɪ'fektz/
past simple, past participle	defected
	BrE /dɪ'fektɪd/
	NAme /dɪ'fektɪd/
-ing form	defecting
	BrE /dɪ'fektɪŋ/
	NAme /dɪ'fektɪŋ/

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I. **defect**¹ /dɪ'fekt, 'dɪfekt/ **BrE** ¹ **AmE** ¹ **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Old French; Origin: Latin defectus 'lack', from defectus, past participle of deficere 'to go away from, fail, lack']

a fault or a lack of something that means that something or someone is not perfect:

- All the cars are tested for defects before they leave the factory.
- a genetic defect
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COLLOCATIONS

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + defect

- **a serious defect** The movie has a few serious defects.
- **a major defect** (=very serious) They have found a major defect in the program.
- **a slight/minor defect** There are one or two minor defects on the car's paintwork.
- **a physical defect** Doctors examined the baby and could find no physical defects.
- **a structural defect** Older buildings are bound to have some structural defects.
- **a genetic/inherited defect** (=one that is passed to you in your genes) The condition is caused by a genetic defect.
- **a birth defect** (=one that you are born with) About 11% of children have birth defects.
- **a heart defect** Laura was born with a rare heart defect.
- **a speech defect** (=an incorrect way of saying certain sounds) He had a speech defect which made it quite difficult to understand him.
- **a character defect** (=a fault in your character) Laziness was just one of his character defects.

■ verbs

- **have a defect** The old system had some serious defects.
- **correct a defect** She had surgery to correct a defect in her right eye.
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THESAURUS

■ something wrong

- **fault** a problem in a machine, system, design etc that causes damage or makes it not work properly: The fire was caused by an electrical fault. | a fault in the engine
- **defect** a fault in something such as a product or machine, resulting from the way it was made or designed: Cars are tested for defects before they leave the factory.
- **weakness** a part of a plan, system, or argument that is not as good as the other parts, and makes it likely to fail: What are the strengths and weaknesses of each method?
- **flaw** a fault in a plan, system, argument etc, especially one that makes it useless or not effective: Your argument has a fundamental flaw. | There was one major flaw in his suggestion – we didn't have enough money.
- **bug** a fault in a computer program: A bug in the system was quickly fixed.
- **glitch** a small fault in the way something works, that can usually be easily corrected: I noticed a small glitch when installing the software.
- **mistake** something that is wrong in someone's spelling, grammar, calculations etc: The article was full of spelling mistakes.
- **there's something wrong with something** used when saying that there is a problem in a machine, car etc, but you do not know what it is: There's something wrong with the computer – it won't close down.

II. **defect**² /dɪ'fekt/ **BrE** ² **AmE** ² **verb** [intransitive]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: defectus, past participle; ⇨ ↑defect¹]

to leave your own country or group in order to go to or join an opposing one

defect to/from

" a Russian actor who defected to the West

—**defector** *noun* [countable]

—**defection** /dɪ'fekʃən/ *noun* [uncountable and countable]

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