

primitive**1.** ['prɪmɪtɪv] *n*

- 1) первобытный человек
- 2) примитивная личность
2. древний христианин
3. основной цвет
4. *иск.*
- 1) примитив
- 2) примитивист
- 3) художник-самоучка
5. *мат.* первообразная функция
6. *лингв. редк.* коренное слово
7. *вчт.* базисный, простейший элемент графического изображения (*кружок, многоугольник и т. п.*)

2. ['prɪmɪtɪv] *a*

1. первобытный
primitive man - первобытный человек
primitive culture - первобытная культура
2. примитивный, простой, несложный
primitive tools [methods] - примитивные орудия [методы]
primitive habits - примитивные привычки
to live in primitive fashion - вести простой образ жизни
3. 1) *иск.* примитивистский, примитивный
primitive type of art - примитивистское искусство
- 2) (никем) не обученный
primitive craftsmen - ремесленники-самоучки
4. 1) первичный; основной
primitive cause - первопричина
primitive colour - основной /первичный/ цвет
primitive accumulation - *полит.-эк.* первоначальное накопление
- 2) *мат.* исходный (*о фигуре и т. п.*)
- 3) *мат.* первообразный
- 4) *лингв. редк.* коренной, производный
5. старомодный
primitive ideas and habits - устаревшие идеи и обычаи
6. *геол.* первозданный
primitive water - ювенильная /первозданная/ вода
primitive soil - целинная земля; девственная почва
primitive road - *спец.* грунтовая дорога
primitive area - *лес.* первобытная /девственная/ местность (*в государственных лесах США*)
7. *биол.* примордиальный, зародышевый, зачаточный

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primit-ive [primitive primitives] adjective, noun BrE ['prɪmɪtɪv] ¹ NAmE

['prɪmɪtɪv]

adjective

1. **usually before noun** belonging to a very simple society with no industry, etc
 - primitive tribes
 - primitive beliefs
2. **usually before noun** belonging to an early stage in the development of humans or animals
 - primitive man
3. very simple and old-fashioned, especially when sth is also not convenient and comfortable
Syn: ↑crude
 - The methods of communication used during the war were primitive by today's standards.
 - The facilities on the campsite were very primitive.
4. **usually before noun** (*of a feeling or a desire*) very strong and not based on reason, as if from the earliest period of human life
 - a primitive instinct

Word Origin:

late Middle English (in the sense 'original, not derivative'): from Old French *primitif*, *-ive*, from Latin *primitivus* 'first of its kind', from *primus* 'first'.

Example Bank:

- Transport remained very primitive.

Derived Words ↑primitively ▪ ↑primitiveness

noun

1. an artist of the period before the Renaissance; an example of work from this period
2. an artist who paints in a very simple style like a child; an example of the work of such an artist

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I. **primitive** ¹ /'prɪmətɪv, 'prɪmɪtɪv/ *BrE* ² *AmE* ³ *adjective*

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: primitivus, from primus; ⇔ ↑prime¹]

1. **WAY OF LIFE** belonging to a simple way of life that existed in the past and does not have modern industries and machines **OPP advanced, modern**:

- " a primitive society
- " a primitive nomadic tribe
- " the tools used by primitive man
- " primitive art

2. **NOT MODERN** something that is primitive is very simple and does not have the extra modern parts that would make it faster, better, more comfortable etc **OPP advanced, modern**:

- " The first station buildings were quite primitive.
- " The local hospital care is primitive and unreliable.
- " Conditions at the camp are very primitive.
- " a primitive steam engine

3. **ANIMALS/PLANTS** a primitive animal or plant has a simple structure or body:

- " primitive life-forms that live deep in the ocean
- " a primitive single-celled creature

4. **FEELINGS** primitive feelings are not based on reason, and seem to come from a part of people's character that is ancient and animal-like:

- " the primitive instinct of survival
- " primitive desires

—**primitively** *adverb*

—**primitiveness** *noun* [uncountable]

II. **primitive** ² *BrE* ³ *AmE* ⁴ *noun* [countable]

an artist who paints simple pictures like those of a child

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