

**verge****1. [vɜːdʒ] n****1. 1) край**

the verge of the stream - берег ручья

the verge of a forest - опушка леса

on the very verge of the roof - на самом краю крыши

**2) грань, предел**

on the verge of manhood - на пороге зрелости

to be on the verge of smth. - быть на грани /на пороге/ чего-л.

to go [to bring, to carry] to the verge of smth. - дойти [довести] до какого-л. предела

to carry daring to the verge of rashness - довести отвагу до безрассудства

he was on the verge of telling all - он чуть было не рассказал всё

she was on the verge of tears - она едва удерживала слёзы

he is on the verge of forty - ему скоро сорок

**2. 1) предел, пределы, круг**

to go beyond the verge of constitutional powers - выйти за пределы полномочий, предоставленных конституцией

**2) пределы (страны, помещения)**

within the verge of the Tower - в стенах Тауэра

**3) *ист.* пределы власти (феодала); территория под чьей-л. властью или юрисдикцией****3. *поэт.* горизонт, край неба****4. бордюр, кайма****5. *архит.*****1) край крыши у фронтона****2) стержень колонны****6. *дор.* берма, обочина (дороги)****7. 1) *ист.* жезл; булава****2) *церк.* посох (как символ власти)****2. [vɜːdʒ] v****1. 1) (on, upon) граничить (с чем-л.), примыкать (к чему-л.)**

at that point the estate verges on the sea - в этом месте поместье граничит с морем /примыкает к морю/

a path verges on the edge of the precipice - тропинка идёт по краю пропасти

**2) приближаться (к чему-л.)**

to verge to a close - подходить к концу

this verges on foolhardiness - это граничит с безрассудством

he is verging towards bankruptcy - он стоит на пороге банкротства

broad humour verging on slapstick - грубый юмор на грани клоунады

events are verging towards a climax - дело клонится к развязке

**3) (into, on) переходить (во что-л.)**

verging into a state of monomania - переходящий в манию

dark red verging on purple - красный цвет с фиолетовым оттенком

dark grey verging on black - почти чёрный цвет

**4) (to) склоняться, уклоняться, клониться****2. заходить, закатываться (о солнце)**

the now verging sun - заходящее солнце

**verge**

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**verge** [verge verges verged verging] **noun, verb** BrE [vɜːdʒ] NAmE [vɜːrdʒ]**noun** (BrE)

a piece of grass at the edge of a path, road, etc

• a grass verge

**compare** ↑soft shoulderWord Origin:late Middle English: via Old French from Latin *virga* 'rod'. The current verb sense dates from the late 18th cent.Example Bank:

- She was on the verge of a nervous breakdown when she finally sought help.
- The company is teetering on the verge of bankruptcy.
- The vehicle crossed white lines and mounted a verge before being stopped by police.
- This action brought the country to the verge of economic collapse.

Idiom: ↑on the verge of doing somethingDerived ↑verge on something**verb**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	verge
	BrE /vɜːdʒ/
	NAmE /vɜːrdʒ/
he / she / it	verges
	BrE /vɜːdʒɪz/
	NAmE /vɜːrdʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	verged
	BrE /vɜːdʒd/
	NAmE /vɜːrdʒd/
-ing form	verging
	BrE /vɜːdʒɪŋ/
	NAmE /vɜːrdʒɪŋ/

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I. **verge**<sup>1</sup> /vɜːdʒ/\$ vɜːrdʒ/ BrE<sup>ˈ</sup> AmE<sup>ˈ</sup> noun [countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: 'long pole', from Latin *virga*, from within the verge 'within the area controlled by someone who carried a pole as a sign of authority']

1. **be on the verge of something** to be at the point where something is about to happen:

- ˆ Jess seemed on the verge of tears.
- ˆ an event which left her on the verge of a nervous breakdown
- ˆ Mountain gorillas are on the verge of extinction.

**be on the verge of doing something**

- ˆ The show was on the verge of being canceled due to low ratings.

2. **British English** the edge of a road, path etc:

- ˆ The car skidded across the road and came to a stop on the grass verge.

II. **verge**<sup>2</sup> BrE<sup>ˈ</sup> AmE<sup>ˈ</sup> verb

**verge on/upon something** phrasal verb

to be very close to a harmful or extreme state:

- ˆ Many of Lewis's activities verged on the illegal.
- ˆ Some of his ideas are verging on the dangerous.
- ˆ His love of James Dean movies verged on fanaticism.

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