

sprinkle

1. ['sprɪŋk(ə)] n

- 1. брызганье, обрызгивание, опрыскивание; окропление
sprinkle of rain - мелкий дождик, изморось
sprinkle of snow - редкий /лёгкий/ снежок, пороша
it was just a sprinkle - дождик только покапал
- 2. окраска путём пульверизации
- 3. красящий раствор для пульверизации
- 4. небольшое количество, капля
- 5. лейка
- 6. *церк.* кропило

2. ['sprɪŋk(ə)] v

- 1. 1) брызгать, кропить, окроплять; разбрызгивать, обрызгивать; опрыскивать
she sprinkled his coat with some perfume - она побрызгала духами на его пиджак
- 2) разбрасывать, насыпать
to sprinkle the floor with sand - насыпать пол песком
to sprinkle ashes [crumbs] - рассыпать пепел [крошки]
to sprinkle salt on meat, to sprinkle meat with salt - посолить мясо
- 3) уснащать
writings sprinkled with quotations - произведения, пестрящие цитатами
his speech was sprinkled with witticisms - он уснащал свою речь остротами
the sky heavily sprinkled with stars - небо, сплошь усеянное звёздами
- 2. брызгать, давать брызги
the water sprinkles up - вода брызжет во все стороны
- 3. 1) накрапывать, моросить
the rain continued to sprinkle - дождь продолжал моросить
- 2) выпадать (о дожде)
it may sprinkle this evening - вечером, возможно, пойдёт дождь

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sprin·kle [**sprinkle sprinkles sprinkled sprinkling**] **verb, noun** *BrE* ['sprɪŋkl̩]

NAmE ['sprɪŋkl̩]

verb

- 1. **transitive** to shake small pieces of sth or drops of a liquid on sth
 - ~ **A on/onto/over B** Sprinkle chocolate on top of the cake.
 - She sprinkled sugar over the strawberries.
 - ~ **B with A** She sprinkled the strawberries with sugar.
 - The sheets and pillows were sprinkled with lavenderwater.
- 2. **transitive, usually passive** ~ **sth with sth** to include a few of sth in sth else
Syn: ↑strew
 - His poems are sprinkled with quotations from ancient Greek.
 - a black velvety sky sprinkled with stars
- 3. **intransitive** (*NAmE*) if it sprinkles, it rains lightly
Syn: ↑drizzle
 - It's only sprinkling. We can still go out.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	sprinkle
	<i>BrE</i> / 'sprɪŋkl̩/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'sprɪŋkl̩/
he / she / it	sprinkles
	<i>BrE</i> / 'sprɪŋkl̩z/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'sprɪŋkl̩z/
past simple, past participle	sprinkled
	<i>BrE</i> / 'sprɪŋkld/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'sprɪŋkld/
-ing form	sprinkling
	<i>BrE</i> / 'sprɪŋklɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'sprɪŋklɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: perhaps from Middle Dutch **sprenkelen**.

Example Bank:

- Sprinkle the meat lightly with salt.
- The screenplay is liberally sprinkled with jokes.

noun singular

1. = ↑sprinkling

- Add a sprinkle of cheese and serve.

2. (especially NAmE) light rain

- We've only had a few sprinkles (of rain) recently.

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I. **sprinkle**¹ /'sprɪŋkəl/ BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ verb

[Date: 1300-1400; Origin: Perhaps from Middle Dutch [sprenkelen](#)]

1. [transitive] to scatter small drops of liquid or small pieces of something

sprinkle something with something

" Sprinkle the top with cheese.

sprinkle something on/over something

" I sprinkled cocoa over my latte.

2. **be sprinkled with jokes/quotations etc** to be full of jokes etc:

" The book is liberally sprinkled with clichés.

3. **it is sprinkling** *American English* if it is sprinkling, it is raining lightly

II. **sprinkle**² BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ noun [singular]

1. a small amount of something, especially scattered on top of something **SYN sprinkling**

sprinkle of

" Add a sprinkle of salt.

2. *American English* a light rain **SYN drizzle**

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