

1. [eə] *n*

## 1. воздух; атмосфера

stale [fresh, foul, night, winter] air - затхлый [свежий, спёртый, ночной, зимний] воздух

air current - воздушное течение, воздушный поток, поток воздуха; ветер

in the (open) air - на (открытом) воздухе, под открытым небом

to take the air - подышать свежим воздухом; прогуляться [см. тж. 2, 1) и 8]

exposed to air - находящийся на воздухе, подвергающийся воздействию атмосферы

## 2. 1) воздушное пространство; воздух, небо (как сфера действия авиации)

by air - а) самолётом; б) авиапочтой

to take the air - взлететь, оторваться от земли; взмыть [см. тж. 1 и 8]

to command the air - господствовать в воздухе /в небе/

## 2) преим. воен. авиация

tactical air - тактическая авиация

enemy air - авиация противника

## 3. (the air) эфир

on the air - (передаваемый) по радио или телевидению; передаваемый в эфир

to be on the air - а) передаваться /транслироваться/ по радио или телевидению; б) выступать по радио или телевидению

the President will be on the air tonight - президент выступит по радио /по телевидению/ сегодня вечером

to go on the air - а) выступать по радио; б) передаваться по радио

off the air - а) не передаваемый по радио или телевидению, не передаваемый в эфир; б) окончившийся (о радио- и телепередаче)

we'll be off the air until 19 hours - объявляется перерыв до 19 часов; наши передачи возобновятся в 19 часов

to go off the air - закончить передачу

we go off the air at 11 o'clock - мы заканчиваем передачу в 11 часов

## 4. 1) атмосфера обстановка

friendly [hostile] air - дружеская [враждебная] обстановка

a change of air - перемена обстановки

to clear the air - разрядить атмосферу /обстановку/

there was an air of poverty - на всём лежала печать нужды

## 2) характер, манера, дух

his early work bore an air of freshness and originality - его ранние работы /произведения/ отличались свежестью и оригинальностью

## 5. лёгкий ветерок, дуновение; бриз

light air - мор. маловетриц, тихий ветер (1 балл)

## 6. 1) вид, выражение лица; манеры

with an air of importance - с важным видом

with a decisive [businesslike, pathetic, belligerent] air - с решительным [деловым, жалким, воинственным] видом

there was an air of mystery about him - в нём было что-то загадочное, его окружала какая-то тайна

## 2) обыкн. р/ важничанье, важный вид; жеманство

(too many) airs and graces - манерность, жеманство

to give oneself /to put on, to assume, to acquire/ airs - важничать, держаться высокомерно, напускать на себя важность; изображать важную персону

she gives herself aristocratic airs - она корчит из себя аристократку

## 7. муз.

## 1) мотив, мелодия, напев

stirring [plaintive, mournful] air - волнующая [жалобная, печальная] мелодия

## 2) партия сопрано или дисканта

## 3) ария; соло

## 4) песня, песня (эпохи королевы Елизаветы)

## 8. гласность, известность

to take air - стать общеизвестным, получить огласку [см. тж. 1 и 2, 1)]

to give air to a plan [to a view, to an opinion] - предать гласности /подвергнуть обсуждению, сделать общеизвестным/ план [точку зрения, мнение]

to give the air to one's grievances - во всеуслышание жаловаться (на что-л.)

## 9. авиапочтовая марка

◇ to vanish /to melt/ into thin air - бесследно исчезнуть

out of thin air - а) неконкретно, смутно, неясно, нечётко, туманно, расплывчато; б) из ничего, из ниоткуда; ≅ (высосать) из пальца

to be in the air - а) носиться в воздухе, распространяться, циркулировать; rumours are in the air - ходят слухи; ≅ слухом земля полнится; б) = to be up in the air

to be up in the air - а) быть /находиться/ в неопределённом положении, «висеть в воздухе»

the contract is still up in the air - неизвестно, будет ли заключён контракт, заключение контракта ещё висит в воздухе; б)

огорчаться, беспокоиться, тревожиться, сердиться, гневаться; быть взволнованным

to keep smb. in the air - держать кого-л. в состоянии неизвестности

a shot in the air - выстрел наугад

to walk /to tread/ on air - ≅ быть на седьмом небе, ног под собой не чуют (от радости)

to get the air - амер. прост. а) получить отставку (у девушки); б) быть выгнанным, уволенным с работы, со службы и т. п.

to give smb. the air(s) - *амер. прост.* а) дать отставку (*возлюбленному, жениху*); прекратиться с кем-л. отношения; б) уволить, выгнать с работы, со службы; дать расчёт  
 to give smth. the air - отмахнуться от чего-л., не принять во внимание что-л.  
 he gives the air to opinions he does not agree with - он сбрасывает со счетов мнения, с которыми он не согласен  
 to beat the air *см.* beat1 III ◇  
 to fish in the air - заниматься бесполезной работой; ≅ толочь воду в ступе

## 2. [eə] а

### 1. 1) воздушный

air drainage - *с.-х.* воздушный дренаж

### 2) наполненный воздухом

air ball - воздушный шар(ик) (*игрушка*)

air mattress - надувной матрац

air bubble - а) *метал.* пузырь (в *отливке*); раковина; б) *тех.* воздушный пузырёк (в *уровне*)

### 2. пневматический, воздушный

air thermometer - воздушный термометр

air bearing - *тех.* пневматический подшипник

### 3. 1) авиационный, воздушный; лётный

air armada - воздушная армада

air attack - налёт авиации

air bombardment - воздушная бомбардировка, воздушный налёт

air offensive - воздушное наступление

air superiority [supremacy] - превосходство [абсолютное превосходство] в воздухе

air ammunition [support] - авиационные боеприпасы [-ая поддержка]

air co-operation - взаимодействие с авиацией

air sports - авиаспорт

air zone - зона полёта

air warning - *воен.* а) служба воздушного наблюдения, оповещения и связи; б) сигнал воздушной тревоги

air ambulance - санитарный самолёт

air jeep - одноместный гражданский вертолёт

air formation - *воен.* лётный строй

air navigation - аэронавигация, самолётовождение

air interception - *воен.* перехват самолётов противника

air objective - *воен.* объект воздушного нападения

air observation - *воен.* воздушное наблюдение

air priority - *амер. воен.* очерёдность перевозки по воздуху

### 2) связанный с ВВС

Air Ministry - министерство ВВС (в *Великобритании до 1964 г.*)

Air Council - Высший совет по делам авиации

air naval school - военно-морское авиационное училище

Air Staff - штаб военно-воздушных сил; штаб авиационного соединения

## 3. [eə] v

### 1. проветривать, вентилировать

to air the room - проветривать комнату

### 2. сушить, просушивать

to air the bedding - выставить на солнце /сушить/ постельные принадлежности

### 3. 1) выставлять напоказ; заявлять во всеуслышание, провозглашать

to air one's opinions [one's theories] - пространно излагать своё мнение [свои теории]

to air one's grievances - жаловаться во всеуслышание

to air one's knowledge - выставлять напоказ свою образованность; щеголять эрудицией

he constantly airs his stupidity - он постоянно демонстрирует свою глупость

### 2) обсуждать, «вентилировать»

the issue will be thoroughly aired - вопрос будет всесторонне обсуждён

### 4. выгуливать, выводить на прогулку, на свежий воздух

to air the dog - выгуливать собаку

### 5. *разг.* передавать в эфир; транслировать по радио или телевидению; вещать

to air a program - передавать какую-л. программу

II

[eə] а *шотл.*

ранний; прежний

air

**air** [air airs aired airing] noun, verb *BrE* [eə(r)]<sup>а</sup> *NAmE* [er]<sup>а</sup>

noun

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**GAS**

**1. uncountable** the mixture of gases that surrounds the earth and that we breathe

- air pollution
- Let's go out for some **fresh air** .
- I need to put some air in my tyres.
- currents of warm air

- whales coming up for air (= in order to breathe)
- The act lays down a minimum standard for air quality.

## SPACE

**2. uncountable** (usually **the air**) the space above the ground or that is around things

- I kicked the ball high **in/into the air** .
- Spicy smells wafted **through the air** .
- Music filled the night air.

**see also** ↑open air

## FOR PLANES

**3. uncountable** the space above the earth where planes fly

- It only takes three hours **by air** (= in a plane) .
- **air travel/traffic**
- The temple was clearly visible from the air.
- A surprise air attack (= from aircraft) was launched at night.

## IMPRESSION

**4. singular** the particular feeling or impression that is given by sb/sth; the way sb does sth

- The room had an air of luxury.
- She looked at him with a defiant air.
- There was an air of complete confidence about her.

## TUNE

**5. countable** (old-fashioned) (often used in the title of a piece of music) a tune

- Bach's Air on a G string

## BEHAVIOUR

**6. airs plural** (disapproving) a way of behaving that shows that sb thinks that they are more important, etc. than they really are

- I hate the way she **puts on airs** .

**more at** a breath of (fresh) air **at** ↑breath, (build) castles in the air **at** ↑castle, clear the air **at** ↑clear v., with your nose in the air **at** ↑nose n., pluck sth out of the air **at** ↑pluck v., disappear, vanish, etc. into thin air out of thin air **at** ↑thin adj.

### Word Origin:

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### Example Bank:

- He drew in another breath of air.
- He had an air of mystery about him.
- He leaned over to Melissa with an air of confidentiality.
- He punched the air in triumph.
- I hate the way she puts on airs.
- I kicked the ball high into the air.
- I sat for a moment, inhaling the fresh forest air.
- It only takes three hours by air.
- It's difficult carrying such heavy loads in the thin air of the mountains.
- Land crabs breathe air and cannot swim.
- Nothing moved in the still air.
- She gulped in the fresh mountain air.
- She was gasping for air as she ran out of the burning house.
- Spicy smells wafted through the air.
- Suddenly a scream pierced the air.
- The air was sweet with incense.
- The air was thick with cigarette smoke.
- The argument helped to clear the air between them.
- The cool night air wafted in the open windows.
- The dog stretched and sniffed the air.
- The hideout is clearly visible from the air.
- The market is held in the open air.
- The tang of some wild herb hung in the air.
- The two planes collided in mid-air.
- There are regulatory requirements for clean air and water.
- They have developed an engine powered by compressed air.
- Three buildings were bombed last night in an air strike on the city.
- We are cleared by Air Traffic Control to taxi and take off.
- We felt a blast of cold air as she opened the door.
- We need some fresh air in this stuffy room!

- You have an air of authority.
- equipment to monitor air quality
- the musty smell of stale air
- the polluted air of our cities
- warm currents of air
- A surprise air attack was launched at night.
- air travel/traffic/fares

Idioms: ↑airs and graces ▪ ↑in the air ▪ ↑on air ▪ ↑up in the air ▪ ↑walk on air

Derived ↑air out ▪ ↑air something out

verb

## CLOTHES

1. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth)** (especially BrE) to put clothing, etc. in a place that is warm or has plenty of air so that it dries completely and smells fresh; to be left to dry somewhere

- Air the sheets well.
- Leave the towels out to air.

## A ROOM

2. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth)** (BrE) (NAme ,air (sth) 'out) to allow fresh air into a room or a building; to be filled with fresh air

- The rooms had all been cleaned and aired.
- Leave the window open to air the room.

## OPINIONS

3. **transitive ~ sth** to express your opinions publicly

**Syn:** ↑voice

- The weekly meeting enables employees to **air their grievances** .

## RADIO/TV PROGRAMME

4. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth)** (especially NAme) to broadcast a programme on the radio or on television; to be broadcast

- The show will be aired next Tuesday night.
- The program aired last week.

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we /they	air
	BrE /eə(r)/
	NAme /er/
he / she /it	airs
	BrE /eəz/
	NAme /erz/
past simple, past participle	aired
	BrE /eəd/
	NAme /erd/
-ing form	airing
	BrE /eə(r)ɪŋ/
	NAme /erɪŋ/

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### Example Bank:

- The issues were openly aired and discussed by the group.
- The weekly meeting enables employees to air their grievances.

See also: ↑air out

## air

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I. **air**<sup>1</sup> **S1 W1** /eə \$ er/ **BrE** " **AmE** " **noun**

[Sense 1-7, 9: Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: Latin aer, from Greek]

[Sense 8: Date: 1500-1600; Origin: Probably a translation of Italian aria; ⇒ ↑aria]

1. **GAS** [uncountable] the mixture of gases around the Earth, that we breathe:

- " Let's go outside and get some fresh air.
- " You need to put some air in the tyres.

**in the air**

- " There was a strong smell of burning in the air. ⇒ **a breath of fresh air** at ↑breath(2)

2. **SPACE ABOVE THE GROUND** **the air** the space above the ground or around things

**into the air**

- " Flames leapt into the air.

through the air

He fell 2,000 metres through the air without a parachute.

### 3. PLANES

a) **by air** travelling by, or using, a plane:

I'd prefer to travel by air.

b) relating to or involving planes:

the victims of Britain's worst air disaster

Air travel was growing rapidly.

air traffic congestion

His brother died in an air crash.

### 4. be in the air

a) if a feeling is in the air, a lot of people feel it at the same time:

There was a sense of excitement in the air.

b) to be going to happen very soon:

Change is in the air.

### 5. APPEARANCE [singular] if something or someone has an air of confidence, mystery etc, they seem confident, mysterious etc

air of

She had an air of quiet confidence.

She looked at him with a determined air.

### 6. be up in the air if something is up in the air, no decision has been made about it yet:

Our trip is still very much up in the air.

### 7. be on/off (the) air to be broadcasting on the radio or television at the present moment, or to stop broadcasting:

We'll be on air in three minutes.

### 8. MUSIC [countable] a simple tune, often used in the title of a piece of classical music

### 9. airs [plural] a way of behaving that shows someone thinks they are more important than they really are

put on airs/give yourself airs

Trudy is always putting on airs.

an actor with no airs and graces

### 10. be walking/floating on air to feel very happy

⇒ ↑hot air, ↑on-air, ⇒ clear the air at ↑clear<sup>2</sup>(15), ⇒ disappear/vanish into thin air at ↑thin<sup>1</sup>(15), ⇒ out of thin air at ↑thin<sup>1</sup>(16)

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ adjectives

▪ **fresh** She opened the window to let in some fresh air.

▪ **clean** London's air is cleaner than it has been at any time since 1585.

▪ **warm/hot** Warm air rises and is replaced by cooler and denser air. | I felt a sudden rush of hot air.

▪ **cool/cold** The air had turned a little cooler.

▪ **crisp** (=pleasantly cool) the crisp autumn air

▪ **clear** I looked up to the stars in the clear night air.

▪ **damp/humid** Damp air causes condensation.

▪ **polluted** The air in Mexico City is heavily polluted.

▪ **stale** (=not fresh and often full of smoke) The room was full of stale air and tobacco smoke.

▪ **the air is thin** (=there is less oxygen because you are in a high place) People cannot live up there because the air is too thin and there is not enough oxygen to breathe.

▪ **the morning/evening/night air** He stepped out and breathed in the cold morning air.

▪ **the sea/mountain/country air** the salty smell of the sea air

▪ **the still air** (=air in which there is no wind) Smoke from the chimneys hung in the still air.

### ■ air + NOUN

▪ **air pollution** Most air pollution is caused by cars.

▪ **the air quality** The air quality is very poor on hot days.

▪ **the air pressure** The air pressure had dropped.

### ■ phrases

▪ **a breath of air** I went outside for a breath of air.

▪ **a rush/blast/stream of air** There was a cold rush of air as she wound down her window.

▪ **a current of air** The birds are able to glide on a current of warm air.

### ■ verbs

▪ **breathe in the air** She breathed in the cool mountain air.

▪ **fight/gasp for air** (=try to breathe with difficulty) He clutched his throat as he fought for air.

▪ **let in some air** (=let fresh air into a room) It would be nice to open the door and let in some air.

▪ **put air into something** (=fill a tyre, balloon etc with air) I need to put some air in the tyres.

## II. air<sup>2</sup> BrE AmE verb

### 1. OPINION [transitive] to express your opinions publicly

air your views/grievances/complaints etc

Staff will get a chance to ask questions and air their views.

### 2. TV/RADIO [intransitive and transitive] to broadcast a programme on television or radio:

KPBS airs such popular children's programs as 'Barney' and 'Sesame Street'.

The program is due to air next month.

### 3. ROOM [transitive] especially British English, air something out American English to let fresh air into a room, especially one that has been closed for a long time

4. CLOTHES [intransitive and transitive] especially British English, air (something) out American English to put a piece of clothing in a place that is warm or has a lot of air, so that it smells clean:

I've left my sweater outside to air.

⇒ †airing, ⇒ air your dirty laundry at †dirty<sup>1</sup>(7)

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## THESAURUS

### ■ to say something

- **say** to tell someone something, using words: 'I really ought to go,' she said. | Lauren said she'd probably be late.
- **state** to say something, especially in a definite or formal way – used in official contexts: The witness stated that he had never seen the woman before. | Please state your name and address.
- **announce** to publicly tell people about something: The chairman announced his resignation. | The results will be announced tomorrow. | We will announce the winners next Sunday. | They were announcing the train times over the loudspeaker system.
- **declare** to say something very firmly: 'My personal life is none of your business,' she declared.
- **mention** to talk about someone or something, especially without giving many details: Did Tom mention anything about what happened at school? | Your name was mentioned!
- **express** to let someone know your feelings by putting them into words: Young children often find it difficult to express their emotions.
- **comment** to say what your opinion is about someone or something: The prime minister was asked to comment on the crisis.
- **note/remark formal** to say that you have noticed that something is true – used especially in formal writing: We have already noted that most old people live alone. | Someone once remarked that the problem with computers is that they only give you answers.
- **add** to say something more, after what has already been said: He added that he thought it could be done fairly cheaply.
- **point out** to mention something that seems particularly important or relevant: Dr Graham points out that most children show some signs of abnormal behaviour. | It's worth pointing out that few people actually die of this disease.
- **air** to talk about your opinions, worries, or the things you disagree about: **air your views/grievances/differences**: The programme will give listeners the chance to air their views about immigration. | Workers were able to air their grievances.
- **voice** to talk publicly about your feelings or about whether you approve or disapprove of something **formal**: **voice concern/support/doubt/fears etc**: The president has already voiced his support for the proposal. | She voiced concern for the safety of the hostages.

## air

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