

lethal

[ˈliːθ(ə)] *a*

- 1) смертельный, летальный
lethal outcome - летальный/смертельный исход
- 2) смертоносный, вызывающий, причиняющий смерть
lethal gases - отравляющие газы
lethal chemicals - смертоносное химическое оружие
lethal dose - смертельная доза
lethal concentration - *воен.* смертельная концентрация (отравляющего вещества)
lethal chamber - камера для усыпления животных
- 3) убийственный, беспощадный; фатальный
a lethal attack on smb.'s novel - убийственная критика чьего-л. романа
to deal smb. a lethal blow - нанести кому-л. удар в самое сердце

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

lethal *BrE* [ˈliːθl] *NAmE* [ˈliːθl] *adjective*

1. causing or able to cause death
Syn: ↑deadly, **Syn:** ↑fatal
 - a lethal dose of poison
 - a lethal weapon
 - (figurative) The closure of the factory dealt a lethal blow to the town.
 - The snake's venom is rarely lethal to humans.
 2. (informal) causing or able to cause a lot of harm or damage
 - You and that car— it's a lethal combination!
- Derived Word** ↑lethally

Word Origin:

[**lethal lethally**] late 16th cent. (in the sense 'causing spiritual death'): from Latin *lethalis*, from *lethum*, a variant (influenced by Greek *lēthē* 'forgetfulness'), of *letum* 'death'.

Example Bank:

- All these knives are absolutely lethal.
- It was a potentially lethal mixture of drugs.
- The pesticide is lethal to all insect life.
- Any sharp pointed instrument is potentially a lethal weapon.
- He has been sentenced to death by lethal injection.
- She had been given a lethal dose of poison.
- The group claims that a lethal cocktail of pollutants is being poured into Scotland's rivers and estuaries.
- The snake's venom is rarely lethal to humans.

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[**Date:** 1500-1600; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** *lethalis*, from *lethum* 'death', from *letum* (influenced by Greek *lethe*; ⇨ ↑lethargic)]

1. causing death, or able to cause death ⇨ **fatal**:
 - a lethal dose of heroin
 - a lethal weapon
 - death by lethal injection
 - a lethal cocktail of drink and pills
- lethal to**
 - These chemicals are lethal to fish.
2. *informal* likely to be powerful or dangerous – often used humorously:
 - They were all drinking lethal amounts of tequila!
 - Higher taxes and higher inflation were a lethal combination.

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