

[beɪb] *n*

- 1. поэт.** дитя, младенец  
babe of love - дитя любви (о внебрачном ребёнке)
- 2. наивный или неопытный человек; сущий ребёнок**  
a mere babe in the ways of the world - человек, не имеющий никакого жизненного опыта
- 3. амер. разг.** красotka; малышка, крошка (о девушке)  
◇ babes in the wood - наивные / доверчивые, простодушные / люди  
babes and sucklings - простак, новички, неопытные люди; ≅ молоко на губах не обсохло  
babe unborn - сущий младенец (о непрактичном человеке)  
babes in Christ - **рел.** новообращённые (христиане)

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**babe** [babe babes] *BrE* [beɪb] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [beɪb] <sup>m</sup> **noun**

- 1. (old use)** a baby
- 2. (slang)** a word used to address a young woman, or your wife, husband or lover, usually expressing affection but sometimes considered offensive if used by a man to a woman he does not know  
• What're you doing tonight, babe?
- 3. (informal)** an attractive young woman

**more at** out of the mouths of babes (and sucklings) **at** ↑**mouth** *n*.**Idiom:** ↑**babe in arms**Word Origin:late Middle English: probably imitative of an infant's first attempts at speech. Compare with ↑**baby**.Example Bank:

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[Date: 1300-1400; Origin: Probably from the sounds made by a baby]

- 1. literary** a baby  
**babe in arms** (=one that has to be carried)
- 2. spoken informal** a word for an attractive young woman
- 3. spoken informal** a way of speaking to a young woman, often considered offensive
- 4. spoken** a way of speaking to someone you love, especially your wife or husband
- 5. babe in the woods** *American English* someone who can be easily deceived:  
" He was like a babe in the woods when he first came to New York.

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