

**murderer**  
 ['mɜːd(ə)rə] *n*  
 убийца

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

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 mur·der·er [murderer murderers] *BrE* ['mɜːdərə(r)] *AmE* ['mɜːrdərər]

**noun**  
 a person who has killed sb deliberately and illegally  
**Syn:** ↑killer  
 • a convicted murderer  
 • a mass murderer (= who has killed a lot of people)

Example Bank:

- Does the death penalty deter would-be murderers?
- He protested his innocence and promised to help police track down the real murderer.
- The identity of her murderer has not yet been revealed
- The murderer has struck again.
- A convicted murderer was on the run last night.
- How do we know he's not a mass murderer?

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[**Word Family:** *noun:* ↑murder, ↑murderer; *verb:* ↑murder; *adverb:* ↑murderously; *adjective:* ↑murderous]

someone who murders another person:

- a convicted murderer
- his brother's murderer
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**THESAURUS**

■ different types of criminal

- **thief** someone who steals things: Car thieves have been working in the area. | The thieves stole over £5,000 worth of jewellery.
- **robber** someone who steals money or valuable things from a bank, shop etc – used especially when someone sees the person who is stealing: a masked robber armed with a shotgun | They were the most successful bank robbers in US history.
- **burglar** someone who goes into people's homes in order to steal: The burglars broke in through a window.
- **shoplifter** someone who takes things from shops without paying for them: The cameras have helped the store catch several shoplifters.
- **pickpocket** someone who steals things from people's pockets, especially in a crowd: A sign warned that pickpockets were active in the station.
- **conman/fraudster** someone who deceives people in order to get money or things: Conmen tricked the woman into giving them her savings, as an 'investment'.
- **forger** someone who illegally copies or fakes documents, money, artworks etc: a forger who fooled museum curators
- **counterfeiter** someone who illegally copies money, or fakes documents, or goods: Counterfeiters in Colombia are printing almost perfect dollar bills.
- **pirate** someone who illegally copies and sells another person's work: DVD pirates
- **mugger** someone who attacks and robs people in public places: Muggers took his money and mobile phone.
- **murderer** someone who deliberately kills someone else: His murderer was sentenced to life imprisonment. | the murderer of civil rights activist Medgar Evers | He is a mass murderer (=someone who kills a large number of people).
- **serial killer** someone who kills several people, one after the other over a period of time, in a similar way: Shipman was a trusted family doctor who became Britain's worst serial killer.
- **rapist** someone who forces someone else to have sex: Some rapists drug their victims so that they become unconscious.
- **sex offender** someone who is guilty of a crime related to sex: Too many sex offenders are released from prison early.
- **vandal** someone who deliberately damages public property: Vandals broke most of the school's windows.
- **arsonist** someone who deliberately sets fire to a building: The warehouse fire may have been the work of an arsonist.

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