

anonymous[əˈnɒnɪməs] *a*

1. анонимный; безымянный

anonymous letter - письмо без подписи; анонимка

anonymous pamphlet - брошюра без указания (имени) автора

anonymous author - а) автор, пишущий под псевдонимом; б) неизвестный автор

anonymous donor - жертвователь, пожелавший остаться неизвестным

2. безликий; бесцветный, неотличимый от других

drab anonymous houses - серые безликие дома

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anonym-ous *BrE* [əˈnɒnɪməs] ^m *NAmE* [əˈnɑːnɒməs] ^m *adjective*

1. (of a person) with a name that is not known or that is not made public

• an anonymous donor

• The money was donated by a local businessman who wishes to **remain anonymous** .

2. (abbr. anon.) written, given, made, etc. by sb who does not want their name to be known or made public

• an anonymous letter

3. without any unusual or interesting features

• long stretches of dull and anonymous countryside

• new housing estates with their anonymous tower blocks and large barren spaces

Derived Word ↑ **anonymously**Word Origin:[**anonymous anonymously**] late 16th cent.: via late Latin from Greek **anōnumos** 'nameless' (from **an-** 'without' + **onoma** 'name') + ↑-ous.Example Bank:

• the largely anonymous perpetrators of terrorist acts

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anonym-ous /əˈnɒnəməs, əˈnɒnɪməs \$ əˈnɑː-/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *adjective*[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Language:** Late Latin; **Origin:** **anonymus**, from Greek, from **an-** 'without' + **onyma** 'name']

1. unknown by name:

• the anonymous author of a collection of poems

anonymous donor/benefactor

• the anonymous donor of a large sum of money

• According to one employee, who wishes to **remain anonymous**, the company engaged in illegal activities.

2. done, sent, or given by someone who does not want their name to be known:

• an anonymous donation of \$5,000

anonymous phone call/letter etc (=one that is often unpleasant or contains threats)3. **written** uninteresting in features or qualities – used to show disapproval:

• grey, anonymous housing estates

—**anonymously** *adverb***anonymous**

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