

soak

1. [səʊk] *n*

- 1. = soaking 1, 3)
to put in soak - замачивать, отмачивать [см. тж. 6]
- 2. жидкость для пропитывания или намачивания
- 3. чан для замачивания
- 4. 1) просачивание воды сквозь почву
2) заболоченное место
- 5. *разг.*
1) пьяница, алкоголик
2) запой
to come out of soak - протрезветь
- 6. *разг.* заклад
to put in soak - заложить [см. тж. 1]

2. [səʊk] *v*

- 1. 1) мочить; замачивать; пропитывать насыщать
to soak bread in milk - мочить хлеб в молоке
to soak dirty clothes in water - замачивать грязное бельё
to soak the dirt out - отмочить загрязнённое место /грязное пятно/
- 2) пропитываться впитываться (тж. soak in)
the dye must be allowed to soak in - краске надо дать впитаться
- 3) напитывать насыщать
to soak oneself in smth. - впитывать что-л., погружаться во что-л.
to soak oneself in the sunshine - жариться на солнце
to soak oneself in history [in art] - погрузиться /с головой уйти/ в изучение истории [искусства]
- 2. промачивать (о дожде; тж. soak through)
to be soaked to the skin - промокнуть насквозь /до нитки/
don't stand out there; you'll be soaked through - не стой во дворе, ты промокнешь насквозь
- 3. просачиваться
the rain has soaked through the roof - дождь просочился сквозь крышу
- 4. (into)
1) впитываться
2) (постепенно) усваиваться
the idea soaked into him - мысль наконец дошла до него
- 5. пропекать (хлеб и т. п.)
- 6. *разг.* напиться, набираться
- 7. *разг.* отдавать в заклад, закладывать
- 8. *разг.* выкачивать деньги, драть несусветную цену
to soak tourists - обдирать туристов
- 9. *амер.* бить, колотить
I was soaked for that mistake - мне попало за эту ошибку
◇ to soak one's clay /one's face/ - напиться, нализаться

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soak [soak soaks soaked soaking] *verb, noun* BrE [səʊk] ^m NAmE [soʊk] ^m

verb

- 1. **transitive, intransitive** to put sth in liquid for a time so that it becomes completely wet; to become completely wet in this way
 - ~ **sth (in sth)** I usually soak the beans overnight
 - If you soak the tablecloth before you wash it, the stains should come out.
 - ~ **(in sth)** Leave the apricots **to soak** for 20 minutes.
 - I'm going to go and soak in the bath.
- 2. **transitive** ~ **sb/sth** to make sb/sth completely wet
Syn: †drench
 - A sudden shower of rain soaked the spectators.
- 3. **transitive** ~ **sb** (informal) to obtain a lot of money from sb by making them pay very high taxes or prices
 - He was accused of soaking his clients.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	soak
	BrE /səʊk/
	NAmE /soʊk/
he / she / it	soaks
	BrE /səʊks/
	NAmE /soʊks/
past simple, past participle	soaked
	BrE /səʊkt/
	NAmE /soʊkt/
-ing form	soaking
	BrE /səʊkɪŋ/
	NAmE /soʊkɪŋ/

Word Origin:

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Thesaurus:

soak verb T, I

• Rain soaked the spectators.

drench • • **douse** • • **wet** • • **flood** • |formal **immerse** •

soak/drench/douse/wet sth **with** sth

soak/drench/douse/immerse sth/yourself **in** sth

rain soaks/drenches/floods sb/sth

be soaked/drenched with **blood/sweat**

Soak or drench? In many cases you can use either word. **Soak** but not **drench** is used when you deliberately put sth in water.

Example Bank:

- He soaked the cloth with petrol.
- I've left the clothes to soak overnight
- Leave the beans to soak overnight
- Let the soil soak up the water.
- Place the jar in warm water to soak the label off.
- Soak the clothes in cold water.
- The rain had soaked through every layer of his clothing.
- Water dripped off the table and soaked into the carpet.
- His shirt was soaked with blood.
- I'm going to go and soak in the bath.

Derived ↑soak in ▪ ↑soak into something ▪ ↑soak something off ▪ ↑soak something up

noun (also **soak-ing**) singular

1. an act of leaving sth in a liquid for a period of time; an act of making sb/sth wet
 - Give the shirt a good soak before you wash it.
2. (informal) a period of time spent in a bath
 - Relax with a nice long soak in a hot bath.

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See also: ↑soaking

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I. **soak**¹ /səʊk \$ soʊk/ BrE ² AmE ² verb

[Language: Old English; Origin: *socian*]

1. [intransitive and transitive] if you soak something, or if you let it soak, you keep it covered with a liquid for a period of time, especially in order to make it softer or easier to clean:

- Soak the clothes in cold water.
- Let the pans soak; I'll wash them later.

soak something off/out (=remove it by soaking)

- Put the bottle in soapy water to soak the label off.

2. [intransitive always + adverb/preposition, transitive] to make something completely wet:

- Police aimed water hoses at the marchers, soaking them.

soak through/into etc

- The blood soaked through the bandage.

soak something in/with something

- a rag soaked with oil

3. [intransitive] to spend a long time taking a bath:

- Soak in a warm bath to relax.

4. [transitive] *informal* to make someone pay too much money in prices or taxes:

- taxes that soak the middle classes

soak something ↔ **up** phrasal verb

1. if something soaks up a liquid, it takes the liquid into itself:

- He used a towel to soak up the blood.

2. **soak up the sun/rays/sunshine etc** to sit outside for a long time enjoying the sun

3. to enjoy a place by watching it or becoming involved in it:

- Go to a sidewalk café, order coffee, and soak up the atmosphere.

4. to learn something quickly and easily:

- Children soak up language incredibly quickly.

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THESAURUS

- **wet** to put water or another liquid onto something to make it wet. In spoken English, people will often use **get something wet** rather than **wet**: He wet the washcloth and washed Tom's face.
- **splash** to make someone or something wet by making a lot of small drops of water fall onto them: The kids were playing around

in the pool, splashing each other. | I accidentally splashed soup onto my shirt.

- **soak** to put something in water for a long time or to make something very wet – use this especially when something is put into water or the water comes up from underneath to make it wet: Soak the beans overnight before cooking. | The rain had come in through the bottom of our tent and completely soaked our clothes.
- **drench** to make someone or something extremely wet with a large amount of water – use this especially when water is poured or falls on something: He drenched us all with the hose. | Her shirt was drenched in sweat.
- **saturate** *formal* to completely cover or fill something with liquid, so that it is wet all the way through: Heavy rains had saturated the ground.
- **flood** to cover an area of land with a large amount of water: Farmers flood the fields in order to grow rice.
- **moisten** to make something slightly wet by putting a small amount of water or another liquid on it, especially to stop it from getting too dry: Add just enough water to moisten the cake mixture. | Tom paused and moistened his lips.
- **dampen** to make something slightly wet by putting a little water on it: Rain came in through the window, dampening the curtains

II. **soak**² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *noun* [singular]

1. a long and enjoyable time spent taking a bath:
" I had a good long soak in the bath.
2. *British English* when you soak something:
" Give the towels a good soak, they're very dirty.
3. **an old soak** someone who is often drunk – used humorously

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