

puff1. [pʌf] *n*

1. 1) дуновение ветра
there's hardly a puff of wind today - сегодня нет ни ветерка
- 2) *метеор.* порыв ветра
2. 1) струя воздуха
- 2) (короткий) выдох
- 3) *разг.* дыхание
I'm quite out of puff - я совсем запыхался
3. дымок; клуб (дыма, пара *и т. п.*)
puffs of smoke - клубы табачного дыма
4. звук, издаваемый при выдохе или при выпуске воздуха, пара, газа *и т. п.*; пыхтение
the puffs of a railway engine - пыхтение паровоза
5. пуховка
6. буфы (на платье)
7. стёганое покрывало
8. слойка; слоёный пирожок
cream puff - слойка с кремом
9. 1) вздутие, волдырь, шишка, опухоль
- 2) *биол.* пуф, вздутие (*хромосомы*)
10. незаслуженная похвала; дутая реклама
to give a good puff to a book - сильно разрекламировать книгу
11. завиток волос
12. *сл.* гомосексуалист
13. *диал.* = puffball

2. [pʌf] *v*

1. 1) дуть порывами
the air from the sea came puffing in our faces - порывистый ветер с моря дул нам в лицо
- 2) отгонять, развеивать, относить в сторону дуновением (*мж.* puff away)
the wind puffed away the seeds of the dandelion - ветер разносил семена одуванчика
2. 1) дымить, пускать клубы дыма, пара (*мж.* puff away)
to puff (away) at a pipe [cigar] - попыхивать трубкой [сигарой]
to puff smoke into smb.'s face - выпускать дым кому-л. прямо в лицо
- 2) выбиваться, прорываться клубами (*мж.* puff out)
smoke puffed out at every crevice - из всех расщелин пробивался дым
3. двигаться, выпуская клубы дыма (*мж.* puff away)
the engine puffed slowly away - паровоз медленно отошёл, оставляя за собою клубы дыма
4. 1) пыхтеть, тяжело дышать
to puff and pant - тяжело дышать
- 2) *обыкн. разг.* запыхаться
he was frightfully puffed (out) after the run [the climb] - он ужасно запыхался от бега [после подъёма]
5. 1) пудрить
- 2) пудриться
6. 1) чрезмерно и незаслуженно расхваливать (*мж.* puff up)
they puffed him to the skies - они превозносили его до небес
- 2) рекламировать
7. приводить в хорошее настроение; вызывать гордость
to be puffed up - важничать; кичиться, чваниться
victory had not puffed him up - он не стал кичиться победой; его не распирает гордость от победы
8. вздувать цены (*на аукционе*)

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puff [pʌf pʌfs puffed puffing] *verb, noun* *BrE* [pʌf] ^m *NAmE* [pʌf] ^m*verb*

1. **intransitive, transitive** to smoke a cigarette, pipe, etc
 - ~ **(at/on sth)** He puffed (away) on his pipe.
 - ~ **sth** I sat puffing my cigar.
2. **transitive, intransitive** to make smoke or steam blow out in clouds; to blow out in clouds
 - ~ **sth (out)** Chimneys were puffing out clouds of smoke.
 - ~ **(out)** Steam puffed out.
3. **intransitive, transitive (+ speech) (informal)** to breathe loudly and quickly, especially after you have been running
Syn: †gasp
 - I was starting to puff a little from the climb.**see also** †puffed †puffed out
4. **intransitive + adv./prep.** to move in a particular direction, sending out small clouds of smoke or steam
 - The train puffed into the station.**more at** huff and puff **at** †huff *v.*

Verb forms:

present simple	
I / you / we / they	puff
	BrE /pʌf/
	NAmE /pʌf/
he / she / it	puffs
	BrE /pʌfs/
	NAmE /pʌfs/
past simple, past participle	puffed
	BrE /pʌft/
	NAmE /pʌft/
-ing form	puffing
	BrE /pʌfɪŋ/
	NAmE /pʌfɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English: imitative of the sound of a breath, perhaps from Old English *pyf* (noun), *pyffan* (verb).

Example Bank:

- Far behind us, puffing and blowing, came Matt.
- He came puffing up the hill.
- He puffed away at his cigar.
- My father sat puffing contentedly on his pipe.
- She puffed and panted behind the others.
- She puffed furiously at her cigarette.
- She was puffing quite hard by the time she reached the office.
- She was still puffing from the climb.
- He hurried down the street, huffing and puffing.

Idioms: ↑**puff and pant** ▪ ↑**puffed up with pride**

Derived ↑**puff something out** ▪ ↑**puff something up** ▪ ↑**puff up**

noun

- 1. countable** an act of breathing in sth such as smoke from a cigarette, or drugs
 - He had a few puffs at the cigar.
 - Take two puffs from the inhaler every four hours.
- 2. countable** a small amount of air, smoke, etc. that is blown from somewhere
 - a puff of wind
 - She felt a puff of warm air on her face.
 - Puffs of white smoke came from the chimney.
 - Any chance of success seemed to vanish in a puff of smoke (= to disappear quickly) .
- 3. countable** a hollow piece of light ↑**pastry** that is filled with cream, jam, etc.

see also ↑**cream puff**
- 4. (NAmE also 'puff piece') countable (informal, usually disapproving)** a piece of writing or speech that praises sb/sth too much
 - The press is full of puffs for his new movie.
- 5. uncountable (informal, especially BrE) breath**
 - The hill was very steep and I soon **ran out of puff** .

see also ↑**powder puff**

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Example Bank:

- a little puff of smoke
- a puff on her cigarette

See also: ↑**puff and blow** ▪ ↑**puff piece**

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I. puff¹ /pʌf/ **BrE** ² **AmE** ³ **verb**

[Language: Old English; Origin: *pyffan*, from the sound]

1. [intransitive] to breathe quickly and with difficulty after the effort of running, carrying something heavy etc:

George puffed and panted as he tried to keep up.

puff along/up etc

An old man puffed up to them.

He caught up with Gary, puffing for breath. ⇒ **huff and puff at** ↑**huff**¹(1)

2. [intransitive and transitive] (also puff away) to breathe in and out while smoking a cigarette or ↑**pipe**

puff at/on

Kinane sat in silence, puffing thoughtfully at his pipe.

3. [intransitive always + adverb/preposition, transitive] if smoke, steam etc puffs from somewhere, or if something puffs it, it comes out in little clouds:

Steam puffed out of the chimney.

The boiler was puffing thick black smoke.

Don't puff smoke into my face.

4. [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to move in a particular direction, sending out little clouds of steam or smoke:

The train puffed steadily across the bridge.

puff something ↔ **out** *phrasal verb*

puff out your cheeks/chest to make your cheeks or chest bigger by filling them with air:

Henry puffed out his chest proudly.

puff up *phrasal verb*

1. to become bigger by increasing the amount of air inside, or to make something bigger in this way:

The pastry will puff up while it bakes.

puff something ↔ **up**

Birds puff up their feathers to keep warm.

2. if a part of your body puffs up, it swells painfully because of injury or infection:

My eye had puffed up because of a mosquito bite.

II. puff² BrE AmE noun

1. [countable] the action of taking the smoke from a cigarette, ↑pipe etc into your ↑lungs

puff on/at

He laughed and took a puff on his cigar.

2. [countable] a sudden small movement of wind, air, or smoke

puff of smoke/wind/air/steam etc

The dragon disappeared in a puff of smoke.

3. **cheese/jam/cream etc puff** a piece of light ↑pastry with a soft mixture inside

4. [uncountable] *British English informal* your breath:

I was out of puff (=had difficulty breathing).

5. [countable] (also **puff piece**) a piece of writing or a speech that praises someone too much – used to show disapproval

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