

wretched[ˈretʃɪd] *a*

1. несчастный, жалкий

to feel wretched - чувствовать себя несчастным
to look wretched - иметь жалкий вид

2. нищенский

wretched hovel - жалкая лачуга
wretched poverty - крайняя нищета

3. *разг.*

1) отвратительный куда не годный

wretched weather - мерзкая погода
wretched food - отвратительная еда
wretched health - слабое здоровье
he has done a wretched job - его работа куда не годится

2) ужасный, крайний

wretched toothache - сильная зубная боль
wretched stupidity - ужасная тупость
wretched insufficiency - крайняя недостаточность

4. презренный, гнусный, подлый

wretched intrigues - гнусные интриги

5. *эмоц.-усил.*

1) противный, несносный

wretched child! - несносный ребёнок!

2) проклятый, чёртов

I can't find that wretched umbrella - я никак не могу найти этот проклятый зонтик

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wretch·ed *BrE* [ˈretʃɪd] ^m *NAmE* [ˈretʃɪd] ^m *adjective*

1. (of a person) feeling ill/sick or unhappy

• You look wretched— what's wrong?
• I felt wretched about the way things had turned out.

2. (formal) extremely bad or unpleasant

Syn: ↑awful

• She had a wretched time of it at school.
• The animals are kept in the most wretched conditions.

3. (formal) making you feel sympathy or pity

Syn: ↑pitiful

• She finally agreed to have the wretched animal put down.

4. **only before noun** (informal) used to show that you think that sb/sth is extremely annoying

• Is it that wretched woman again?

Derived Words ↑wretchedly ▪ ↑wretchedness

Word Origin:

[**wretched wretchedly wretchedness**] Middle English: formed irregularly from ↑wretch + ↑-ed.

Example Bank:

• She looked thoroughly wretched.

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[**Date:** 1100-1200; **Origin:** wretch]

1. someone who is wretched is very unhappy or ill, and you feel sorry for them:

the poor, wretched girl

2. if you feel wretched, you feel guilty and unhappy because of something bad that you have done:

Guy felt wretched about it now.

3. [**only before noun**] making you feel annoyed or angry:

Where is that wretched boy?

4. *literary* extremely bad or unpleasant **SYN miserable** :

I was shocked to see their wretched living conditions.

—**wretchedly** *adverb*

—**wretchedness** *noun* [uncountable]

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