

perch

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1. [pɜ:tʃ] *n*

1. насест, жёрдочка
to take one's perch - сесть на насест
2. *разг.*
1) высота, высокое место
2) высокий пост; солидное положение
3. козлы, высокое сиденье
4. дроги
5. перч (*мера длины; ≈ 5 м*)
6. *мор.* вежа, шест
7. *архит.* облом, карниз, выступ
8. *текст.* шест для развешивания ткани в сушилке
◇ come off your perch! - не задирайте нос!, не заноситесь!
to hop the perch - а) умереть; «загнуться»; б) *редк.* потерпеть поражение
to knock off the perch - а) нанести поражение, разбить; б) погубить, убить
to knock smb. off his perch - ≅ осадить кого-л., сбить спесь с кого-л.
to throw /to turn/ over the perch - погубить

2. [pɜ:tʃ] *v*

1. 1) садиться на насест
2) сажать на насест
2. усесться, взгромоздиться; устроиться
the birds perched on the wire - птицы уселись на провода
to perch on the arm of a chair - усесться на ручку кресла
there is no need for you to perch out here - напрасно вы здесь расселись
if you stand still, the pigeons will perch on your shoulder - если ты будешь стоять спокойно, то голуби сядут тебе на плечо
3. помещать, располагать высоко
to perch one's hat on the side of one's head - надеть шляпу набекрень
be perched a funny little hat on his head - он нацепил на себя смешную маленькую шляпу
town perched on a hill - город, прилепившийся на холме
4. *кож.*
1) тянуть, разбивать, шлихтовать, отминать, смягчить кожи
2) зачищать изъяны на коже

II

[pɜ:tʃ] *n* (*pl тж. без измен.*) *зоол.*
окунь (*Perca*)

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perch [perch perches perched perching] *verb, noun* *BrE* [pɜːtʃ] *NAmE*

[pɜːrtʃ]

verb

1. **intransitive** ~ (**on sth**) (*of a bird*) to land and stay on a branch, etc
• A robin was perching on the fence.
2. **intransitive, transitive** (*informal*) to sit or to make sb sit on sth, especially on the edge of it
• ~ (**on sth**) We perched on a couple of high stools at the bar.
• ~ **sb/yourself (on sth)** She perched herself on the edge of the bed.
• My father used to perch me on the front of his bike.
3. **intransitive** ~ (**on sth**) to be placed on the top or the edge of sth
• The hotel perched precariously on a steep hillside.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	perch
	BrE /pɜ:tʃ/
	NAmE /pɜ:rtʃ/
he / she / it	perches
	BrE /pɜ:tʃɪz/
	NAmE /pɜ:rtʃɪz/
past simple, past participle	perched
	BrE /pɜ:tʃt/
	NAmE /pɜ:rtʃt/
-ing form	perching
	BrE /pɜ:tʃɪŋ/
	NAmE /pɜ:rtʃɪŋ/

Word Origin:

v. and *n.* **senses 1 to 2** late Middle English perch 'a measure of length' Old French *perche* Latin *pertica* 'measuring rod, pole' Old French *percher*
n. **sense 3** late Middle English Old French *perche* Latin Greek *perkē*

Synonyms:

sit

sit down • be seated • take a seat • perch

These words all mean to rest your weight on your bottom with your back upright, for example on a chair.

sit • to rest your weight on your bottom with your back upright, for example on a chair: ▪ May I sit here? ◊ ▪ Sit still, will you!

Sit is usually used with an adverb or prepositional phrase to show where or how sb sits, but sometimes another phrase or clause is used to show what sb does while they are sitting: ▪ We sat talking for hours.

sit down / **sit yourself down** • to move from a standing position to a sitting position: ▪ Please sit down. ◊ ▪ Come in and sit yourselves down.

be seated • (formal) to be sitting: ▪ She was seated at the head of the table.

Be seated is often used as a formal way of inviting sb to sit down: ▪ Please be seated.

take a seat • to sit down **Take a seat** is used especially as a polite way of inviting sb to sit down: ▪ Please take a seat.

perch • (rather informal) to sit on sth, especially on the edge of sth: ▪ She perched herself on the edge of the bed.

Perch is always used with an adverb or prepositional phrase to show where sb is perching.

to sit/sit down/be seated/take a seat/perch **on** sth

to sit/sit down/be seated/take a seat **in** sth

Example Bank:

- The birds perched on nearby buildings.
- The castle is perched high above the valley.
- The hotel was perched precariously on a steep hillside.
- A robin flew down and perched on the fence.
- They found the parrot perched in a tree.

noun

1. a place where a bird rests, especially a branch or bar for this purpose, for example in a bird's ↑cage

2. a high seat or position

- He watched the game from his precarious perch on top of the wall.

3. (pl. **perch**) a ↑freshwater fish that is sometimes used for food

see knock sb off their pedestal/perch at ↑knock v.

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I. **perch**¹ /pɜːtʃ/ \$ pɜːrtʃ/ **BrE** " **AmE** " noun [countable]

[Sense 1-2: Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: perche, from Latin pertica 'pole']

[Sense 3: Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: perche, from Latin perca, from Greek perke]

1. a branch or stick where a bird sits

2. **informal** a high place or position, especially one where you can sit and watch something:

" She watched the parade from her perch on her father's shoulders.

3.



a type of fish that lives in lakes and rivers

II. **perch**² **BrE** " **AmE** " verb

1. **be perched on/above etc something** to be in a position on top of something or on the edge of something:

" a house perched on a cliff above the town

2. **perch (yourself) on something** to sit on top of something or on the edge of something:

" Bobby had perched himself on a tall wooden stool.

3. **[intransitive + on]** if a bird perches on something, it flies down and sits on it

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• **sit** to be resting your weight on your bottom somewhere, or to move into this position: He was sitting in front of the fire. | She sat on the bed and kicked off her shoes. | Who is the man sitting next to Karen?

• **sit down** to sit on a chair, bed, floor etc after you have been standing: I sat down on the sofa. | Come in and sit down.

- **be seated** *formal* to be sitting in a particular chair or place: John was seated on my left. | There was a man seated behind the desk.
- **take a seat** to sit – used especially when asking someone to sit down: Please take a seat – she will be with you in a minute. | Would the audience please take their seats – the show will begin in five minutes.
- **sink into something** to sit in a comfortable chair and let yourself fall back into it: We switched on the TV and sank into our armchairs.
- **loung** to sit in a very comfortable relaxed way: They lounged around all day by the pool.
- **perch** to sit on the edge of something: He perched on the arm of the sofa. | My sister was perched (=was *sitting*) on a high stool.
- **be slumped** to be sitting while leaning against something, especially because you are injured, drunk, or asleep: They found him slumped against the steering wheel.
- **squat** to sit with your knees bent under you, your bottom just off the ground, balancing on your feet: A little boy was squatting at the edge of the pool.

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