

**gloom**

1. [glu:m] *n*
- 1) мрак; темнота, тьма  
a gloom unbroken, except by a lamp burning feebly - глубокий мрак, через который с трудом пробивался свет слабой лампы  
Cimmerian gloom - непроглядная тьма
  - 2) тёмное, неосвещённое, погружённое в темноту место
2. мрачность, уныние, подавленное настроение
- the gloom of solitude - тоска одиночества  
to cast a gloom on /over/ smth. - омрачить что-л.  
to cast a gloom over smb. - ввергнуть кого-л. в тоску /в меланхолию/  
his life seemed filled with gloom - казалось, в его жизни не было ничего светлого  
the news of defeat filled them all with gloom - сообщение о поражении повергло их всех в уныние  
his gloom deepened - он всё мрачнел и мрачнел  
he had a fit of the glooms - у него был приступ меланхолии  
◇ it was all gloom and doom - всё было мрачным, всё представлялось в самом мрачном свете
2. [glu:m] *v*
1. хмуриться; заволакиваться (о небе)
  2. иметь хмурый или унылый вид (о вещах)
  3. 1) быть в мрачном настроении, быть в унынии  
he was wise in not glooming over trifles - у него хватило ума не расстраиваться по пустякам
  - 2) омрачать, вызывать уныние  
what sorrows gloomed that day? - какая печаль омрачила тот день?
  4. темнеть  
this weary day began to gloom at last - наконец-то этот утомительный день стал близиться к концу  
the tower gloomed in the dark - из темноты встала мрачная башня

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**gloom** [gloom glooms gloomed glooming] *BrE* [gluːm] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [gluːm] <sup>u</sup>**noun**

1. **uncountable, singular** a feeling of being sad and without hope  
**Syn:** ↑depression  
• The gloom deepened as the election results came in.  
• He remained sunk in gloom for several days.  
• An air of gloom and despondency settled over the household.
  2. **uncountable (literary)** almost total ↑darkness  
• We watched the boats come back in the gathering gloom.  
• Caroline peered into the gloom of the hallway.
- see** doom and gloom **at** ↑doom <sub>n.</sub>, pile on the agony/gloom **at** ↑pile <sub>v.</sub>

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as a verb): of unknown origin.

Thesaurus:

**gloom** **noun** **U, sing.**  
• The news filled me with gloom.  
**depression** • **sadness** • **unhappiness** • **despondency** • |informal **the blues** • |literary **melancholy** •  
**Opp:** cheerfulness  
gloom/sadness/unhappiness/despondency/melancholy **about** sth  
**deep** gloom/depression/sadness/unhappiness/despondency/melancholy  
**fill sb with/sink into/plunge into** gloom/depression  
the gloom/depression **deepens/lifts**

Example Bank:

- He peered into the gathering gloom.
- He was sunk in deep gloom at the prospect of being alone.
- I sank into gloom and depression.
- Rumours of his ill health cast gloom over the celebrations.
- She could see the house faintly through the gloom.
- She felt gloom descend on her shoulders.
- She was in a deep gloom because not even a postcard had arrived from Ricky.
- She watched him disappear into the gloom.
- Slowly, my eyes became accustomed to the gloom.
- The fog looked ominous in the evening gloom.
- The nation was deep in gloom.
- The news filled me with gloom.
- The sound of distant police whistles pierced the gloom.
- The sun went in and the house was again shrouded in gloom.
- The tram rattled off into the gloom.
- Their gloom deepened as the election results came in.

- There is a general gloom about the farming industry.
- Two figures materialized out of the gloom.
- We lost sight of them in the gloom.
- We sat and watched as the gloom descended.
- When the gloom finally lifts, the pessimists will be surprised at how much has been going right.
- efforts to dispel their gloom
- the darkest feelings of gloom and despondency
- the general economic gloom

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**gloom** /glu:m/ *BrE* <sup>n</sup> *AmE* <sup>n</sup> *noun* [singular, uncountable]

1. *literary* almost complete darkness:

" He peered into the gathering (=increasing) gloom.

2. a feeling of great sadness and lack of hope:

" a time of high unemployment and economic gloom

⇒ **doom and gloom** at ↑doom<sup>2</sup>

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### COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

#### ■ verbs

- **be filled with gloom** She was filled with gloom as she looked around the place.
- **be sunk in gloom** (=feel very sad and hopeless) She made several attempts at conversation but the boy was sunk in gloom.
- **cast (a) gloom over something** (=make people feel sad) His ill health had cast a gloom over the Christmas holidays.
- **dispel/lift the gloom** (=make people feel less sad) Now for some good news to dispel the gloom.
- **gloom deepens** (=people feel more sad) The party's gloom deepened as the election results came in.
- **gloom lifts** (=people stop feeling sad) Germany's gloom lifted when Stalkamp scored a goal.

#### ■ phrases

- **doom and gloom** (=when there seems no hope) The picture is not all doom and gloom - some tourist areas are still drawing in the crowds.

#### ■ adjectives

- **economic gloom** It was a year of economic gloom for the car industry.
- **deep gloom** There was deep gloom about the future.
- **a general gloom** (=when many people feel there is not much hope) Amid the general gloom, there are some positive signs.

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RANGE: **5k** GLOOM <sup>3581</sup>

gloom <sup>1772</sup>

glooms <sup>8</sup>

gloomy <sup>1496</sup>

gloomier <sup>62</sup>

gloomiest <sup>28</sup>

gloominess <sup>21</sup>

gloomily <sup>194</sup>

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<sup>1453</sup> **14604**<sup>1768</sup> *nn1*

<sup>4</sup> **446307**<sup>4</sup> *np1*