

fascinate

[ˈfæsɪneɪt] *v*

- 1) очаровывать, приводить в восхищение, пленять
the idea of going on a sea-voyage fascinated him - мысль о морском путешествии привела его в восторг
 - 2) увлекать, вызывать острый или глубокий интерес
space exploration fascinates mankind - человечество увлечено освоением космоса
to be fascinated by /with/ smth. - увлекаться чем-л.
2. зачаровывать; оказывать гипнотическое влияние, гипнотизировать взглядом
a serpent fascinates its prey - змея гипнотизирует свою жертву

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fas·cin·ate [fascinate fascinates fascinated fascinating] *BrE* [ˈfæsɪneɪt]

NAme [ˈfæsɪneɪt] *v* **verb transitive, intransitive ~ (sb)**

to attract or interest sb very much

- China has always fascinated me.
- It was a question that had fascinated him since he was a boy.
- The private lives of movie stars never fail to fascinate.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	fascinate
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪt/
	<i>NAme</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪt/
he / she / it	fascinates
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪts/
	<i>NAme</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪts/
past simple, past participle	fascinated
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪtɪd/
	<i>NAme</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪtɪd/
-ing form	fascinating
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪtɪŋ/
	<i>NAme</i> / ˈfæsɪneɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late 16th cent. (in the sense 'bewitch'): from Latin **fascinat-** 'bewitched', from the verb **fascinare**, from **fascinum** 'spell, witchcraft'.

Example Bank:

- The private lives of the rich and famous never fail to fascinate.

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fascinate /ˈfæsəneɪt, ˈfæsɪneɪt/ *BrE* *AmE* *v* **verb** [transitive not in progressive]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: fascinatus, from fascinum 'use of (evil) magic']

if someone or something fascinates you, you are attracted to them and think they are extremely interesting:

- The idea of travelling through time fascinates me.

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