shack

shack [shack shacks shacked shacking] noun, verb BrE [[æk] NAmE [[æk] Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

noun

a small building, usually made of wood or metal, that has not been built well

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Word Origin:

late 19th cent .: perhaps from Mexican jacal, Nahuatl xacatli 'wooden hut'. The early sense of the verb was 'live in a shack' (originally a US usage).

Example Bank:

• The settlement consists only of shacks; there are no roads and no water. Derived *fshack* up with somebody = *fshacked* up with somebody

verb

Verb forms: _verb forms

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present simple	
I / you / we /they	shack
	BrE / ʃæk/
	NAmE /ʃaek/
he / she /it	shacks
	BrE / ʃæks/
	NAmE /ʃæks/
past simple, past participle	shacked
	BrE / ʃækt/
	NAmE /ʃækt/
-ing form	shacking
	BrE / ʃækɪŋ/
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I. shack¹/fæk/ BrE AmE [®] noun [countable] [Date: 1800-1900, Origin: Perhaps from shackly 'likely to fall down' (19-20 centuries), or from Mexican Spanish jacal 'small building', from Nahuatl xacalli

a small building that has not been built very well:

a tin shack

AmE ^{*} II. shack² BrE verb

shack up phrasal verb informal

to start living with someone who you have sex with but are not married to - used to show disapproval shack up with

She had shacked up with some guy from Florida.

be shacked up

Is she shacked up with anyone?

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