

lurk

1. [lɜ:k] *n*
 1. слежка
on the lurk - подглядывая, тайно высматривая, подстерегая
 2. *разг.* трюк; обман
2. [lɜ:k] *v*
 1. скрываться, прятаться; притаиться; скрываться в засаде
there is smb. lurking in the shadows - там кто-то прячется в тени
 2. таиться; оставаться
some suspicion still lurked in his mind - какие-то смутные подозрения всё ещё не покидали его
strange beauty lurked in the autumn woodland - странная красота таилась в осеннем лесе
 3. *редк.* красться (*мж.* lurk along, lurk out)
 4. тайно угрожать (*чему-л., кому-л.*)
dangers are lurking around every bend - опасности подстерегают за каждым поворотом

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lurk [lɜ:k lɜ:ks lɜ:kɪd lɜ:kɪŋ] *verb, noun* *BrE* [lɜ:k] *NAmE* [lɜ:r]

verb

1. **intransitive (+ adv./prep.)** to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are going to do sth bad or illegal
Syn: ↑skulk
 - Why are you lurking around outside my house?
 - A crocodile was lurking just below the surface.
2. **intransitive (+ adv./prep.)** when sth unpleasant or dangerous lurks, it is present but not in an obvious way
• At night, danger lurks in these streets.
3. **intransitive (computing)** to read a discussion in a ↑chat room, etc. on the Internet, without taking part in it yourself

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we /they	lurk
he / she /it	lurks
past simple, past participle	lurked
-ing form	lurking

Word Origin:

Middle English: perhaps from ↑lour + the frequentativesuffix -k (as in talk).

Example Bank:

- I felt sure that someone was lurking among the trees.
- I saw a man lurking in the shadows.
- lurking behind the curtain
- the darker emotions that lurk beneath the surface
- the fears still lurking in our minds

noun (*AustralE, NZE, informal*)

a clever trick that is used in order to get sth

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[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: Probably from Low German or a Scandinavian language]

1. to wait somewhere quietly and secretly, usually because you are going to do something wrong
lurk in/behind/beneath/around etc
 - She didn't see the figure lurking behind the bushes.
2. if something such as danger, a feeling etc lurks somewhere, it exists, but you may not see it or know about it:
 - a dark formless danger, lurking in the shadows
3. if you lurk in a ↑chat room on the Internet, you read what other people are writing to each other, but you do not write any messages yourself
lurk in
 - I think it's sort of creepy how people lurk in chat rooms.

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