

gale[geɪl] *n*

- 1) сильный ветер, шторм
stiff /hard/ gale - сильный ветер, буря
strong gale - шторм (9 баллов)
whole gale - сильный шторм (10 баллов)
the gale raged, it was blowing a gale - бушевала буря
there's a howling gale - воет ветер
this tree was blown down in the gale - это дерево свалило бурей
to be in a gale - *мор.* штормовать
to weather /to encounter/ a gale - выдерживать шторм
- 2) взрыв, вспышка
gales of laughter - взрывы хохота
2. *амер. разг.* состояние веселья, весёлость
3. *поэт.* зефир, ветерок

II[geɪl] *n бот.*восковник (*Myrica gale*; *тж.* sweet gale)**II**[geɪl] *n*повременный очередной платёж налога, арендной платы, процентов *и т. п.*

hanging gale - просроченная арендная плата

gale

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gale [gale gales] *BrE* [geɪl] ^m *NAmE* [geɪl] ^m **noun**

an extremely strong wind

- The gale blew down hundreds of trees.
- **gale-force winds**
- (*BrE*) It's **blowing a gale** outside (= a strong wind is blowing) .

Idiom: ↑**gale of laughter**Word Origin:mid 16th cent.: perhaps related to Old Norse **galinn** 'mad, frantic'.Collocations:**The weather***Good weather*

be bathed in/bask in/be blessed with/enjoy bright/brilliant/glorious sunshine

the sun shines/warms sth/beats down (on sth)

the sunshine breaks/streams through sth

fluffy/wispy clouds drift across the sky

a gentle/light/stiff/cool/warm/sea breeze blows in/comes in off the sea

the snow crunches beneath /under sb's feet/boots

Bad weather

thick/dark/storm clouds form/gather/roll in/cover the sky/block out the sun

the sky darkens/turns black

a fine mist hangs in the air

a dense/heavy/thick fog rolls in

the rain falls/comes down (in buckets/sheets)/pours down

snow falls/comes down/covers sth

the wind blows/whistles/howls/picks up/whips through sth/sweeps across sth

strong/gale-force winds blow/gust (up to 80 mph)

a storm is approaching /is moving inland /hits/strikes/rages

thunder rolls/rumbles/sounds

(forked/sheet) lightning strikes/hits/ashes

a (blinding/snow) blizzard hits/strikes/blows/rages

a tornado touches down/hits/strikes/destroys sth/rips through sth

forecast/expect /predict rain/snow/a category-four hurricane

(*NAmE*) pour (down)/ (*BrE*) pour (down) with rain

get caught in/seek shelter from/escape the rain

be covered/shrouded in mist/a blanket of fog

be in for/brave/shelter from a/the storm

hear rolling/distant thunder

be battered/buffed by strong winds

(*BrE*) be blowing a gale

battle against/brave the elements

The weather improves

the sun breaks through the clouds

the sky **clears/brightens (up)/lightens (up)**
the clouds **part/clear**
the rain **stops/lets up/holds off**
the wind **dies down**
the storm **passes**
the mist/fog **lifts/clears**

Example Bank:

- A strong gale was blowing along the coast.
- It was blowing a gale outside.
- It's blowing a gale out there!
- The tree had come down in a fierce gale the night before.
- We got caught in a howling gale.
- gale force winds

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gale /geɪl/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: Perhaps from Norwegian galen 'bad']

1. a very strong wind:
" a severe gale.

it's blowing a gale *British English* (=it's very windy)

2. **a gale/gales of laughter** a sudden loud sound of laughter:
" The bar erupted into gales of laughter.

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COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **a fierce gale** (=a very strong wind) The tree was blown down during a fierce gale in 1987.
- **a howling gale** (=one that makes a lot of noise) The ship was drifting towards the shore in a howling gale.
- **a severe/strong gale** Severe gales disrupted road and rail travel throughout Britain.

■ gale + NOUN

- **gale force** (=a measurement showing that a wind is extremely strong) The winds had increased to gale force.

■ verbs

- **a gale blows** It was a grey winter's day with an Atlantic gale blowing.
- **it's blowing a gale** *British English* (=the wind is blowing very strongly) It was blowing a gale last night.

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THESAURUS

■ a strong wind

- **gale** a very strong wind: The ship was blown off course in a severe gale. | Howling gales and torrential rain continued throughout the night.
- **hurricane** a storm that has very strong fast winds and that moves over water – used about storms in the North Atlantic Ocean: The hurricane devastated Florida and killed at least 40 people.
- **typhoon** a violent tropical storm – used about storms in the Western Pacific Ocean: A typhoon has hit the Philippines, lifting roofs off houses and uprooting trees.
- **tornado** (also **twister** *American English informal*) a violent storm with strong winds that spin very quickly in a circle, often forming a cloud that is narrower at the bottom than the top: The town was hit by a tornado that damaged several homes.
- **cyclone** a violent tropical storm with strong winds that spin in a circle: A devastating cyclone struck Bangladesh in April that year. | This cyclone was traveling at speeds in excess of 21 miles per hour.

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