

# squat

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1. [skwɒt] *n*
  - 1) сидение на корточках
  - 2) припадание к земле (*животных*)
  - 3) *спорт.* упор присев
2. *амер.* норка (*мелкого животного*)
3. *амер. студ. жарг.* ноль
2. [skwɒt] *a*
  1. маленький и широкий; приземистый, коренастый  
squat man - коренастый человек  
squat building - приземистое здание
  2. 1) *чаще predic* сидящий на корточках; скорчившийся
  - 2) прижавшийся, припавший к земле (*о животных*)
3. [skwɒt] *v*
  1. (*часто* squat down)
    - 1) сидеть на корточках  
to squat a la Japonaise - сидеть по-японски /на пятках/  
to squat crosslegged - сидеть по-турецки
    - 2) садиться на корточки, приседать
    - 3) припадать к земле (*о животных*)
  2. *разг.* садиться, присесть
  3. 1) *преим. истр.* селиться на незанятой земле, выделенной государством; осваивать новые земли; становиться скваттером
  - 2) самовольно селиться на чужой *или* государственной земле
  - 3) вселяться в пустующий дом без разрешения владельца
  4. *редк.* опускаться, погружаться
    - ◇ to squat hot - *сл.* «посидеть на горячем», умереть на электрическом стуле

II

[skwɒt] *n геол.*  
небольшое рудное тело

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**squat** [squat squatter squattest] *verb, noun, adjective* BrE [skwɒt] <sup>1</sup> NAmE

[skwaɪt] <sup>2</sup>

*verb* (-tt-)

1. **intransitive ~ (down)** to sit on your heels with your knees bent up close to your body
  - Children were squatting on the floor.
  - When we saw them we squatted down behind a wall.
2. **intransitive, transitive ~ (sth)** to live in a building or on land which is not yours, without the owner's permission
  - They ended up squatting in the empty houses on Oxford Road.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	squat
	BrE /skwɒt/
	NAmE /skwa:t/
he / she /it	squats
	BrE /skwɒts/
	NAmE /skwa:ts/
past simple, past participle	squatted
	BrE /skwɒtɪd/
	NAmE /skwa:tɪd/
-ing form	squatting
	BrE /skwɒtɪŋ/
	NAmE /skwa:tɪŋ/

Word Origin:

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**noun**

1. (*especially* BrE) a building that people are living in without permission and without paying rent
  - to live in a squat
2. a squatting position of the body
3. = ↑squat thrust

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**adjective**

short and wide or fat, in a way that is not attractive

- a squat tower
- a squat muscular man with a shaven head

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### Example Bank:

- The church was built of stone with a squat tower at the west end.
- The man had a broad face and a squat neck.

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 I. **squat**<sup>1</sup> /skwɒt \$ skwaɒt *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *verb* (past tense and past participle **squatted**, present participle **squatting**) [intransitive]  
 [Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: esquatir, from quatir 'to press', from Vulgar Latin coactire 'to press together', from Latin cogere; ⇒ ↑cogent]



1. to sit with your knees bent under you and your bottom just off the ground, balancing on your feet  
**squat down**  
 He squatted down beside the little girl.
2. to live in a building or on a piece of land without permission and without paying rent  
 . . .

### THESAURUS

- **sit** to be resting your weight on your bottom somewhere, or to move into this position: He was sitting in front of the fire. | She sat on the bed and kicked off her shoes. | Who is the man sitting next to Karen?
- **sit down** to sit on a chair, bed, floor etc after you have been standing: I sat down on the sofa. | Come in and sit down.
- **be seated** *formal* to be sitting in a particular chair or place: John was seated on my left. | There was a man seated behind the desk.
- **take a seat** to sit – used especially when asking someone to sit down: Please take a seat – she will be with you in a minute. | Would the audience please take their seats – the show will begin in five minutes.
- **sink into something** to sit in a comfortable chair and let yourself fall back into it: We switched on the TV and sank into our armchairs.
- **loung** to sit in a very comfortable relaxed way: They lounged around all day by the pool.
- **perch** to sit on the edge of something: He perched on the arm of the sofa. | My sister was perched (=was sitting) on a high stool.
- **be slumped** to be sitting while leaning against something, especially because you are injured, drunk, or asleep: They found him slumped against the steering wheel.
- **squat** to sit with your knees bent under you, your bottom just off the ground, balancing on your feet: A little boy was squatting at the edge of the pool.

II. **squat**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *adjective*

[Date: 1600-1700; Origin: squat 'in a squatting position' (15-19 centuries), from an old past participle of ⇒ ↑squat<sup>1</sup>]

short and thick or low and wide, especially in a way which is not attractive:

- squat stone cottages
- a squat little old man

III. **squat**<sup>3</sup> *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *noun*

[Sense 1-2: Date: 1500-1600; Origin: ⇒ ↑squat<sup>1</sup>]

[Sense 3: Date: 1900-2000; Origin: diddly squat; ⇒ ↑diddly]

1. [countable] a squatting position
2. [countable] *British English* a house that people are living in without permission and without paying rent:  
 She lives in a squat in Camden.
3. [uncountable] *American English informal* nothing, or nearly nothing. Squat is often used in negative sentences for emphasis:  
 He had a job that paid him squat.  
 You don't know squat about it.

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