

**siren**[ˈsaɪ(ə)rən] *n*

- 1) *греч. и рим. миф.* сирена
- 2) коварная соблазнительница  
siren air [song] - сладкозвучная мелодия [песня]  
siren beauty - зовущая /манящая/ красота  
siren note - сладкий /чарующий/ звук
2. 1) гудок, сирена  
a ship's siren - пароходный гудок  
fire engine [ambulance] siren - сирена пожарной [санитарной] машины  
the noon siren - гудок на обед
- 2) сирена, сигнал воздушной тревоги  
sirens wailed out - завывали сирены

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**siren** [siren sirens] *BrE* [ˈsaɪrən] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [ˈsaɪrən] <sup>u</sup> **noun**

1. a device that makes a long loud sound as a signal or warning
  - an air-raid siren
  - A police car raced past with its siren wailing.
2. (in ancient Greek stories) any of a group of sea creatures that were part woman and part bird, or part woman and part fish, whose beautiful singing made sailors sail towards them into rocks or dangerous waters
3. a woman who is very attractive or beautiful but also dangerous
4. ~ voices/song/call (*literary*) the ↑**temptation** to do sth that seems very attractive but that will have bad results
  - The government must resist the siren voices calling for tax cuts.

Word Origin:

Middle English (denoting an imaginary type of snake): from Old French **sirene**, from late Latin **Sirena**, feminine of Latin **Siren**, from Greek **Seirēn**.

Example Bank:

- The cars had stopped at the sound of the approaching siren.
- The police siren died away into the hot night.
- The ships all sounded their sirens.
- the blaring sirens of ambulances and police cars
- Air-raid sirens sounded to warn everyone in the city that an attack was coming.

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1. <sup>u</sup> a piece of equipment that makes very loud warning sounds, used on police cars, fire engines etc:
  - <sup>u</sup> the wail of the ambulance sirens
  - <sup>u</sup> I heard police sirens in the distance.
2. **siren voices/song/call** *literary* encouragement to do something that seems very good, especially when this could have bad results:
  - <sup>u</sup> siren voices calling for the sale of weapons to the region
3. a woman who is very attractive but also dangerous to men – used especially in newspapers:
  - <sup>u</sup> a Hollywood siren
4. **the Sirens** a group of women in ancient Greek stories, whose beautiful singing made sailors sail towards them into dangerous water

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