

dribble

1. ['drɪbl] *n*
 - 1) ручеёк
 - 2) капля
 - 3) морозящий дождь
2. *спорт.* ведение мяча, дриблинг
2. ['drɪbl] *v*
 - 1) выпускать по капле
 - 2) сочиться, капать; течь тоненькой струйкой
to dribble from the eaves - капать с карнизов
the men came dribbling back - *образн.* небольшими группами /по двое, по трое/ рабочие возвращались домой
the line dribbled away somewhere - *образн.* ближе к хвосту очередь вытягивалась в тонкую линию и сходила на нет
2. (в бильярде)
 - 1) медленно закатывать
he dribbled the ball into the pocket - лёгким ударом он послал шар в лузу
 - 2) медленно закатываться
the ball dribbled into the pocket - шар медленно закатился в лузу
3. пускать слюни, облизываться (о ребёнке или слабоумном)
4. *спорт.* вести мяч; обводить мячом

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drib·ble [dribble dribbles dribbled dribbling] **verb** noun *BrE* ['drɪbl] *AmE* ['drɪbl] *verb*

1. **intransitive, transitive ~ (sth)** to let saliva or another liquid come out of your mouth and run down your chin
Syn: drool
2. **intransitive + adv./prep.** to fall in small drops or in a thin stream
• Melted wax dribbled down the side of the candle.
3. **transitive ~ sth (into/over/onto sth)** to pour sth slowly, in drops or a thin stream
Syn: drizzle, **Syn:** trickle
• Dribble a little olive oil over the salad.
4. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) (+ adv./prep.)** (in football (soccer) and some other sports) to move the ball along with several short kicks, hits or bounces
• She dribbled the ball the length of the field.
• He dribbled past two defenders and scored a magnificent goal.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	dribble
	<i>BrE</i> / 'drɪbl/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'drɪbl/
he / she / it	dribbles
	<i>BrE</i> / 'drɪblz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'drɪblz/
past simple, past participle	dribbled
	<i>BrE</i> / 'drɪblɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'drɪblɪd/
-ing form	dribbling
	<i>BrE</i> / 'drɪblɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'drɪblɪŋ/

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: frequentative of obsolete drib, variant of drip. The original sense was 'shoot an arrow short or wide of its target', which was also a sense of drib.

noun

1. **countable** a very small amount of liquid, in a thin stream
• a dribble of blood
• Add just a dribble of oil.
2. **uncountable (especially BrE)** saliva (= liquid) from a person's mouth
• There was dribble all down the baby's front.
3. **countable** the act of dribbling the ball in a sport

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[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: drib 'to fall in small drops' (16-18 centuries), from ⇒ drip¹]

1. [intransitive and transitive] to let liquid come out of your mouth onto your face:

Watch out, the baby is dribbling on your shirt!

He was dribbling tea onto his tie.

2. [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if a liquid dribbles somewhere, it flows in a thin irregular stream:

Blood from the wound dribbled down the side of his face.

3. [intransitive and transitive] to move the ball along with you by short kicks, ↑bounces, or hits in a game of football, ↑basketball etc:

He was trying to dribble the ball past his opponents.

4. [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if something such as money or news dribbles somewhere, it comes or goes in small irregular amounts:

Money is finally dribbling back into the country now.

5. [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to pour something out slowly in an irregular way:

Dribble a few drops of olive oil over the pizza.

II. dribble² BrE¹ AmE¹ noun

1. [uncountable] a small amount of liquid that has come out of your mouth:

He wiped the dribble from his chin.

2. a dribble of something a small amount of liquid:

There was a dribble of brandy in the bottom of the bottle.

3. [countable] the act of moving the ball along with you by short kicks, ↑bounces or hits in a game of football, ↑basketball etc

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