

spanner['spænə] *n*

- 1) гаечный ключ
- 2) *амер.* вилочный ключ
2. *сmp.* связь

◇ to throw a spanner in the works - ≅ вставлять палки в колёса

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span-ner [spanner spanners] *BrE* ['spænə(r)] ^u *NAmE* ['spænər] ^u (*BrE*) (*also*

wrench *NAmE, BrE*) *noun*



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a metal tool with a specially shaped end for holding and turning ↑nuts and ↑bolts (= small metal rings and pins that hold things together)

- I'll need a spanner to change the back wheel.

compare ↑adjustable spanner

Idiom: spanner in the works

See also: ↑wrench ▯ wrench in the works

Word Origin:

late 18th cent.: from German *spannen* 'draw tight' + ↑-er.

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span-ner /'spænə \$ -ər/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u *noun* [countable] *British English*

[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Language:** German]

1. a metal tool that fits over a ↑nut, used for turning the nut to make it tight or to undo it **SYN wrench** *American English*
2. **put/throw a spanner in the works** *informal* to unexpectedly do something that prevents a plan or process from succeeding

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