

**growl**

1. [graʊl] *n*
  1. рычание  
the growl of a dog - рычание собаки
  2. ворчание
  3. грохот; раскат (*грома*); шум  
the low growl of the distant traffic - отдалённый шум уличного движения
2. [graʊl] *v*
  1. рычать  
the dog growled at me - собака зарычала на меня
  2. (*мж.* growl out) ворчать, жаловаться; рычать, огрызаться  
to growl out a refusal - с ворчанием отказать
  - Get out!••, he growled - «Убирайся!» - прорычал он
  3. греметь, грохотать; шуметь  
we heard the thunder growling in the distance - мы слышали, как вдалеке гремел гром, мы слышали раскаты грома вдали

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**growl** [graʊl graʊls growled growling] *verb, noun* *BrE* [graʊl] *AmE* [graʊl]

**verb**

1. **intransitive** ~ (at sb/sth) (*of animals, especially dogs*) to make a low sound in the throat, usually as a sign of anger
  - The dog growled at them.
2. **transitive** to say sth in a low angry voice
  - + **speech (at sb)** 'Who are you?' he growled at the stranger.
  - ~ **sth (at sb)** She growled a sarcastic reply.

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we /they	growl
	BrE /graʊl/
	NAme /graʊl/
he / she /it	growls
	BrE /graʊlz/
	NAme /graʊlz/
past simple, past participle	growled
	BrE /graʊld/
	NAme /graʊld/
-ing form	growling
	BrE /graʊlɪŋ/
	NAme /graʊlɪŋ/

Word Origin:

mid 17th cent.: probably imitative.

Example Bank:

- 'I'm a desperate man,' he growled menacingly.
- 'Mosquitos!' she growled under her breath.
- Her stomach was growling with hunger.
- The dog growled softly at me.
- to growl in annoyance

**noun**

a deep angry sound made when sb/sth ↑**growls**

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Example Bank:

- The dog gave a threatening growl.
- The growl of the engine.

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**growl** /graʊl/ *BrE* *AmE* *verb*

[Date: 1600-1700; Origin: Probably from the sound]

1. **[intransitive]** if an animal growls, it makes a long deep angry sound ⇒ **bark, snarl**

**growl at**

The dog growled at me.

2. **[intransitive and transitive]** to say something in a low angry voice **SYN snarl:**

'Get out of my way,' he growled.

**growl at**

'Who are you?' he growled at me.

—**growl** *noun* [countable]:

He heard a low growl behind him.

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## THESAURUS

### ■ different ways of saying something

- **whisper** to say something very quietly, using your breath rather than your full voice: 'Don't wake the baby,' Jenny whispered.
- **mumble** to say something quietly without pronouncing the words clearly: He mumbled his thanks.
- **mutter** to say something quietly, especially when you are annoyed but do not want someone to hear you complaining: 'This is ridiculous,' he muttered under his breath. | She muttered something about having to go home early.
- **murmur** to say something in a soft slow gentle voice: She stroked his hair and murmured, 'Don't worry. You'll be all right.'
- **growl** to say something in a low angry voice: 'As I was saying,' Lewis growled, 'it needs to be finished today.'
- **snarl** to say something in a nasty angry way: 'Get out of my way!' he snarled.
- **exclaim** to say something suddenly and loudly: 'How beautiful!' she exclaimed.
- **blurt out** to suddenly say something without thinking, especially something embarrassing or secret: It was partly nervousness that had made him blurt out the question.
- **stammer/stutter** to speak with a lot of pauses and repeated sounds, because you have a speech problem, or because you are nervous or excited: 'I'll, I'll only be a m-moment,' he stammered.

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