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## lynch

lynch [lynch lynches lynched lynching] BrE [lint[] NAmE [lint[] verb~ sb

if a crowd of people lynch sb whom they consider guilty of a crime, they capture them, do not allow them to have a trial in court, and kill them illegally, usually by hanging

Derived Word <sup>†</sup>lynching

Verb forms: verb forms
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present simple	
I / you / we /they	lynch
	BrE //mtf/
	NAmE /lantʃ/
he / she /it	lynches
	BrE //Intfiz/
	NAME /ltntj1z/
past simple, past participle	lynched
	BrE //mt/t/
	NAmE /lpntjt/
-ing form	lynching
	BrE //mt/m/
	NAmE /lintʃiŋ/

## Word Origin:

mid 19th cent.: from Lynch's law, named after Capt. William Lynch, head of a self-constituted judicial tribunal in Virginia c. 1780.

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[Date: 1800-1900; Origin: William Lynch (1724-1820), U.S. citizen who organized illegal trials in Virginia] if a crowd of people lynches someone, they kill them, especially by <sup>1</sup>hanging them, without a <sup>1</sup>trial —lynching *noun* [countable]

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