

quake

1. [kweɪk] *n*
 1. дрожание, дрожь; содрогание; трепет
 2. *разг.* землетрясение, обвал
2. [kweɪk] *v*
 1. трястись, дрожать; колебаться, качаться; колыхаться
the earth quaked - земля содрогнулась
the mountain quaked under our feet - скала поползла у нас под ногами
 2. дрожать, трепетать; содрогаться; вздрагивать
to quake with fear /with fright/ - трястись /трепетать, дрожать/ от страха
to quake with cold - дрожать /трястись/ от холода
to make smb.'s heart quake - нагнать страху на кого-л.

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quake [quake quakes quaked quaking] *verb, noun* *BrE* [kweɪk] ^ˈ *NAmE*

[kweɪk] ^ˈ

verb

1. **intransitive** ~ (with sth) (of a person) to shake because you are very frightened or nervous

Syn: †tremble

- Quaking with fear, Polly slowly opened the door.
- They are **quaking in their boots** at the prospect of tomorrow's game.

2. **intransitive** (of the earth or a building) to move or shake violently

- The ground quaked as the bomb exploded.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	quake
	BrE /kweɪk/
	NAmE /kweɪk/
he / she / it	quakes
	BrE /kweɪks/
	NAmE /kweɪks/
past simple, past participle	quaked
	BrE /kweɪkt/
	NAmE /kweɪkt/
-ing form	quaking
	BrE /kweɪkɪŋ/
	NAmE /kweɪkɪŋ/

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Old English cwacian.

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I. **quake** ¹ /kweɪk/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *verb* [intransitive]

[Language: Old English; Origin: cwacian]

1. to shake or tremble, usually because you are very frightened

quake with fear/fright/anger etc

Richmond was quaking with fury.

2. **quake in your boots** *informal* to feel very afraid – used humorously

3. if the earth, a building etc quakes, it shakes violently:

The explosion made the whole house quake.

II. **quake** ² *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

an †earthquake

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THESAURUS

- **earthquake** a sudden shaking of the earth's surface: The earthquake destroyed homes, telephone lines and roads.
- **quake** *informal* an earthquake – used especially in journalism: More than 2000 people died when a quake hit the island of Flores.
- **tremor** a small movement in the earth's surface in which the ground shakes slightly: He was awoken by a series of tremors during the night.
- **aftershock** further movements in the earth's surface that happen after a larger earthquake: In the days after the earthquake, the area suffered a series of aftershocks.
- **tsunami** an ocean wave caused by an earthquake under the water: There was no warning of the approaching tsunami.

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