

smear**1. [smiə] n****1. пятно**

a smear of blood [of oil, of grease] - кровяное [нефтяное жирное] пятно

2. 1) мазок

a smear of paint will put it right - надо немного подмазать краской, и всё будет в порядке

2) мазок (для микроскопического исследования)

blood smear - мазок крови

3. вязкое или липкое вещество**4. клевета, поношение**

smear campaign - клеветническая кампания

smear tactics - тактика, основанная на обливании грязью противника (на выборах и т. п.)

2. [smiə] v**1. 1) (жирно) смазывать, мазать, натирать (чем-л.); (густо) намазывать**

to smear skin with vaseline - смазать кожу вазелином

to smear bread over with butter - намазать хлеб толстым слоем масла

2) мазаться, размазываться

to smear easily - хорошо мазаться, легко размазываться

lipstick that smears - губная помада, которая хорошо накладывается

3) (обыкн. on, over) наносить (что-л.) толстым слоем (на что-л.)

to smear grease on one's hands - густо смазать руки жиром

to smear cream over one's face - обильно намазать лицо кремом

2. 1) пачкать, мазать

to smear a wall with fingermarks - захватать/заляпаты/ стену грязными пальцами

I've smeared my coat - я запачкал пальто

hands smeared with blood - руки, запятнанные кровью

2) редк. пачкаться, мазаться

this stuff smears easily - это маркая материя

3) размазать

to smear an ink blot - размазать чернильное пятно

the outline got smeared - очертания расплылись

3. разг. позорить, бесчестить, порочить, пятнать

to smear smb.'s character - опорочить кого-л.

4. амер. сл.**1) разгромить; одержать решительную победу****2) нокаутировать (бокс)****3) убить, стереть с лица земли****4) подкупить, дать взятку****smear**

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smear [**smear smears smeared smearing**] **verb, noun** BrE [smiə(r)]¹ NAmE[smɪr]²**verb****1. transitive** to spread an ↑oily or soft substance over a surface in a rough or careless way**Syn:** ↑daub• ~ **sth on/over sth** The children had smeared mud on the walls.• ~ **sth with sth** The children had smeared the walls with mud.

• His face was smeared with blood.

2. transitive ~ **sth** to make sth dirty or ↑greasy

• His glasses were smeared.

• smeared windows

3. transitive ~ **sb/sth** to damage sb's reputation by saying unpleasant things about them that are not true**Syn:** ↑slander

• The story was an attempt to smear the party leader.

4. transitive, intransitive ~ **(sth)** to rub writing, a drawing, etc. so that it is no longer clear; to become not clear in this way**Syn:** ↑smudge

• The last few words of the letter were smeared.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	smear
	BrE /smeɪə(r)/
	NAme /smaɪə/
he / she / it	smears
	BrE /smeɪəz/
	NAme /smaɪəz/
past simple, past participle	smear(ed)
	BrE /smeəd/
	NAme /smaɪd/
-ing form	smearing
	BrE /smeɪərɪŋ/
	NAme /smaɪrɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English smierwan (verb), smeoru 'ointment, grease', of Germanic origin; related to German *schmieren* (verb), *Schmer* (noun).

Example Bank:

- His hands were smeared with blood.
- She smeared the cream liberally on her face.
- The child had smeared jam all over her face.
- Their faces were heavily smeared with mud.
- Her make-up was smeared over her face and her hair was a mess.

noun

1. an **foily** or dirty mark
 - a smear of jam
2. a story that is not true about sb that is intended to damage their reputation, especially in politics
 - He was a victim of a **smear campaign**.
3. (BrE) = **↑smear test**

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Synonyms:

mark

stain • fingerprint • streak • speck • blot • smear • spot

These are all words for a small area of dirt or another substance on a surface.

mark • a small area of dirt or other substance on the surface of sth, especially one that spoils its appearance: ▫ The kids left dirty marks all over the kitchen floor.

stain • a dirty mark on sth that is difficult to remove, especially one made by a liquid: ▫ blood stains

fingerprint • a mark on a surface made by the pattern of lines on the end of a person's finger, often used by the police to identify criminals: ▫ Her fingerprints were all over the gun.

streak • a long thin mark or line that is a different colour from the surface it is on: ▫ She had streaks of grey in her hair.

speck • a very small mark, spot or piece of a substance on sth: ▫ There isn't a speck of dust anywhere in the house.

blot • a spot or dirty mark left on sth by a substance such as ink or paint being dropped on a surface

smear • a mark made by sth such as oil or paint being spread or rubbed on a surface

spot • a small dirty mark on sth: ▫ There were grease spots all over the walls.

a streak/speck/blot/smear/spot **of** sth

a **greasy** mark/stain/smear

a/an **ink** mark/stain/blot/spot

a/an **grease** mark/stain/spot

to **leave** a mark/stain/fingerprint/streak/speck/blot/smear

Example Bank:

- The article cast a smear on the Minister for Health.
- They have conducted a vicious smear campaign against him.
- a smear job on President Clinton
- an abnormal Pap smear test
- campaign smears against the socialist candidate
- the far-right smear machine
- He was a victim of a smear campaign.
- Here is a spray window cleaner that won't leave any smears.
- The Prime Minister has called for an end to smears and personal attacks in the run-up to the election.
- There was a smear of paint on his cheek.

smear

1. **smear**¹ /smeɪə \$ smaɪə/ BrE ¹ AmE ¹ noun [countable]
[Language: Old English; Origin: smeoru 'fatty material']

1. a dirty mark made by a small amount of something spread across a surface

smear of

- " a smear of paint
- " It left a black smear on his arm.

2. *British English* a ¹smear test

3. an untrue story about a politician or other important person that is told in order to make people lose respect for them – used especially in newspapers

—smear^y *adjective*:

- " a smearable glass

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THESAURUS

■ a dirty mark

- **mark** a dirty area on something that spoils its appearance: The bark of the tree had made black marks on her trousers.
- **spot** a small mark on something: a grease spot on my shirt
- **stain** a mark that is difficult to remove, especially one made by a dark liquid: a wine stain on the tablecloth | blood stains
- **smudge** a mark that is made when something touches against a surface: There was a smudge of lipstick on his cheek. | He had a smudge of chalk on his jacket.
- **smear** a mark that is made by a small amount of something spread across a surface: The table had a smear of paint on the top.
- **fingerprint** (also **fingermark** *British English*) a mark on the surface of something that is made by someone's fingers: The glass was covered with greasy fingerprints.

II. smear² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ verb

1. **SPREAD** [*transitive* always + *adverb/preposition*] to spread a liquid or soft substance over a surface, especially in a careless or untidy way

smear something with something

- " His face was smeared with mud.

smear something on/over etc something

- " Elaine smeared suntan lotion on her shoulders.

2. **TELL LIES** [*transitive*] to tell an untrue story about someone important in order to make people lose respect for them – used especially in newspapers:

- " an attempt to smear the party leadership

3. **DIRTY** [*transitive*] to put dirty or oily marks on something:

- " smeared windows

4. **INK/PAINT** [*intransitive and transitive*] if writing, a picture, or paint smears or is smeared, the ink or paint is accidentally touched and spread across the surface **SYN** smudge:

- " Several words were smeared.

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