

mute

I

1. [mju:t] *n*

1. немой (человек)
2. *театр.* статист
3. *лингв.* немой гласный *или* согласный; непроизносимая буква
4. *юр.*
 - 1) молчание подсудимого в ответ на вопрос суда, признаёт ли он себя виновным
 - 2) *уст.* подсудимый, отказывающийся отвечать на вопрос суда, признаёт ли он себя виновным
 5. *уст.* наёмный участник похоронной процессии

2. [mju:t] *a*

1. немой
2. 1) безмолвный, молчаливый, безгласный
mute sorrow - молчаливое горе
to stand mute with wonder - онеметь от изумления
to stare in mute amazement - смотреть с немым изумлением
- 2) *охот.* не подающий голоса (*о собаках*)
to run mute - бежать за добычей, не подавая голоса
- 3) *кино* немой, без звука
mute negative - негатив изображения
mute print - позитив изображения, немая копия
3. *фон.* немой; не произносимый (*о букве*)
mute consonant - немой согласный
◇ mute as a fish - ≅ нем как рыба

II

1. [mju:t] *n муз.*

сурдина, сурдинка

2. [mju:t] *v муз.*

вставлять сурдин(к)у

II

[mju:t] *v уст., диал.*мараться (*о птицах*)

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mute [mute mutes muted muting] **adjective, noun, verb** BrE [mjuːt] ^u NAmE[mjuːt] ^u

adjective

1. not speaking

Syn: ↑silent

- a look of mute appeal
- The child sat mute in the corner of the room.

2. (old-fashioned) (of a person) unable to speak

Syn: ↑dumbWord Origin:Middle English: from Old French *muet*, diminutive of *mu*, from Latin *mutus*.Example Bank:

- The film concerns a mute Scottish widow and her passion for music.

noun

1. (**music**) a device made of metal, rubber or plastic that you use to make the sound of a musical instrument softer
2. (old-fashioned) a person who is not able to speak

Word Origin:Middle English: from Old French *muet*, diminutive of *mu*, from Latin *mutus*.

verb

1. ~ **sth** to make the sound of sth, especially a musical instrument, quieter or softer, sometimes using a ↑mute

- He muted the strings with his palm.
- The traffic noise was muted by the heavy drapes.

2. ~ **sth** to make sth weaker or less severe**Syn:** tone down

- She thought it better to mute her criticism.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	mute
	BrE /mju:t/
	NAmE /mju:t/
he / she / it	mutes
	BrE /mju:ts/
	NAmE /mju:ts/
past simple, past participle	muted
	BrE /mju:td/
	NAmE /mju:td/
-ing form	muting
	BrE /mju:tn/
	NAmE /mju:tn/

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I. **mute**¹ /mju:t/ BrE " AmE " adjective

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: muet, from Latin mutus]

1. **written** someone who is mute does not speak, or refuses to speak **SYN silent**:

" Billy continued to stand there, mute and defiant.

2. **old-fashioned** someone who is mute is unable to speak

—**mutely** adverb

II. **mute**² BrE " AmE " verb [transitive]

1. **formal** to make the sound of something quieter, or make it disappear completely:

" Excess noise can be reduced by muting alarms and telephones.

2. to make a musical instrument sound softer

3. **formal** to reduce the level of criticism, protest, discussion etc that is happening:

" The incident so shocked all the students that it muted further protest.

III. **mute**³ BrE " AmE " noun [countable]

1. a small piece of metal, rubber etc that you place over or into a musical instrument to make it sound softer

2. **old-fashioned** someone who cannot speak

⇒ †deaf mute

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