

numb

1. [nʌm] **a**

1. онемелый, оцепенелый

to grow numb - а) оцепенеть; numb from the scene confronting me - оцепенев от представившейся мне сцены; б) затечь, занеметь (о ногах)

2. окоченевший

fingers numb with cold - пальцы, не сгибающиеся от холода

◇ numb hand - неловкий /нескладный/ человек; ≅ руки (как) крюки

2. [nʌm] **v**

1. вызывать онемение или окоченение

to chafe numbed feet - растерать окоченевшие ноги

2. заставить оцепенеть; ошеломить

numbed with grief - ошеломлённый горем

numbed with terror - оцепеневший от ужаса

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

numb adjective, verb **BrE** [nʌm] ^ˈ **NAmE** [nʌm] ^ˈ

adjective

1. if a part of your body is numb, you cannot feel anything in it, for example because of cold

- to **be/go numb**
- numb with cold
- I've just been to the dentist and my face is still numb.

2. unable to feel, think or react in the normal way

- He felt numb with shock.

see also ↑ numbing

Word Origin:

late Middle English nome(n), past participle of obsolete nim 'take'.

Example Bank:

- He felt numb with weariness and grief.
- Her voice sounded numb.
- His fingers were beginning to go numb.
- Laura felt totally numb.
- My legs were numb from kneeling.
- Robin's hand felt numb with cold.
- The news left us numb and confused.
- Their fingers were going numb with cold.

Derived Words ↑ numbly ▪ ↑ numbness

verb

1. ~ **sth** to make a part of your body unable to feel anything, for example because of cold

- His fingers were numbed with the cold.

2. ~ **sb** to make sb unable to feel, think or react in a normal way, for example because of an emotional shock

Syn: ↑stun

- We sat there in silence, numbed by the shock of her death.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	numb
	BrE /nʌm/
	NAmE /nʌm/
he / she / it	numbs
	BrE /nʌmz/
	NAmE /nʌmz/
past simple, past participle	numbed
	BrE /nʌmd/
	NAmE /nʌmd/
-ing form	numbing
	BrE /'nʌmɪŋ/
	NAmE /'nʌmɪŋ/

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1. **numb**¹ /nʌm/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ adjective

[Date: 1400-1500; Origin: From the past participle of nim 'to take' (11-19 centuries), from Old English niman]

1. a part of your body that is numb is unable to feel anything, for example because you are very cold:

My fingers were so numb I could hardly write.

The anaesthetic made his whole face go numb.

2. unable to think, feel, or react in a normal way **SYN paralysed**

numb with shock/fear/terror etc

" I just sat there, numb with fear.

—**numbly** *adverb*:

" She watched numbly as Matt walked away.

—**numbness** *noun* [uncountable]:

" It caused some numbness in my hand.

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

1. to make someone unable to feel pain or feel things they are touching:

" The cold had numbed her fingers.

" the numbing effect of the drug

2. to make someone unable to think, feel, or react in a normal way:

" He was numbed by the shock of his wife's death.

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