

seat**1. [si:t] n****1. 1) место (для сидения)**

driver's [pilot's] seat - место водителя [пилота]
 a car with four seats - четырёхместная машина
 please, take a seat - садитесь, пожалуйста
 tell me what seat to take - скажите, куда мне сесть
 to take one's seat - занять своё место
 to keep one's seat - не вставать с места
 to rise from one's seat - подняться со своего места, встать
 he lost his seat - его место заняли
 to provide a seat for smb. - достать для кого-л. стул
 to use a box as a seat - использовать ящик вместо стула
 the seat of honour - а) почётное место; б) *шутл.* зад
 a 200-seat restaurant - ресторан на 200 посадочных мест
 to offer/to give up/ one's seat to a lady - уступить своё место даме
 have your seats, gentlemen! - рассаживайтесь, господа!

2) стул, скамья, кресло

folding [jump] seat - складной [откидной] стул
 garden seat - садовая скамейка

3) спорт. банка (сиденье для гребца)

fixed [sliding] seat - неподвижная [подвижная] банка

4) юр. место или кресло судьи**5) читательское место (в библиотеке)****2. сиденье**

the seat of a chair [of a stool, of a bicycle] - сиденье стула [табуретки, велосипеда]
 cane seat - сиденье из тростника
 hard [padded /upholstered/] seat - жёсткое [мягкое] сиденье

3. 1) зад, седалище**2) задняя сторона**

the seat of smb.'s trousers - зад брюк

4. 1) местонахождение

count seat - административный центр графства (в Великобритании) или округа (в США)
 London is the seat of government - правительство находится в Лондоне
 Geneva was the seat of the League of Nations - местопребыванием Лиги Наций была Женева
 the seat of gods - *поэт.* чертоги богов

2) центр

Oxford is an ancient seat of learning - Оксфорд - древний научный центр
 at the seat of the organization - в штаб-квартире организации
 the seat of the trouble - корень зла
 your liver is the seat of trouble - причина всех ваших мучений - печень
 already in remote antiquity Arabia was the seat of advanced culture - ещё в далёкой древности Аравия была центром передовой культуры
 the disease probably has its seat in the brain - это заболевание, вероятно, коренится в мозгу

3) юр. местожительство, местонахождение, местопребывание**5. 1) место (в театре, церкви и т. п.); билет**

a seat at the theatre [in the train] - место в театре [в поезде]
 cheap seats - дешёвые места
 seat attendant - билетёр (в театре)
 reserved seats - заранее заказанные билеты/места/
 to show smb. to a seat - проводить кого-л. на его место (в кино и т. п.)
 to book a seat - заказать билет (в театр)
 I have bought four seats for the theatre - у меня четыре билета в театр

2) место в парламенте

a seat in the House of Commons [in the House of Representatives] - место в палате общин [в палате представителей]
 to have a seat in Parliament - быть членом парламента
 to hold a seat - сохранить место в парламенте
 to lose one's seat - потерпеть поражение на выборах, не быть переизбранным в парламент
 to win [to lose] a seat - получить [потерять] место в парламенте
 to take one's seat in the House of Lords [in the Senate] - занять своё место в палате лордов [в сенате]

3) место, должность

a seat on the bench - должность судьи
 to have a seat on the board of directors - быть членом правления
 to vacate one's seat - подать в отставку

6. поместье, усадьба

an old family seat - старое родовое поместье

7. 1) посадка, манера сидеть (на лошади)

race seat - скаковая посадка
 straight seat - прямая /манежная/ посадка

to have a good [a poor] seat - хорошо [плохо] сидеть на лошади
to have a firm seat in the saddle - прочно держаться в седле

2) **спорт.** сед

cross seat - поперечный шпагат
cross /front/ riding seat - сед верхом
outer [inner] seat - сед снаружи [внутри] брусьев
straddle seat - сед ноги врозь

8. **арх.** царский трон

9. **арх.** место поселения, расселения (*племён, народов*)

10. **тех.** гнездо, седло (*клапана*)

seat of a valve - **тех.** седло клапана

11. **тех.** опорная поверхность, фундамент

12. **геол.** почва пласта

13. **тех.** посадка (*точный контакт*)

◇ the seat of war - а) театр военных действий; б) очаг войны

the seat of judg(e)ment - место отправления правосудия

to take a back seat - занимать незавидное место /положение/; тушеваться

2. [si:t] **v**

1. 1) сажать, усаживать

to seat smb. in an arm-chair - усадить кого-л. в кресло

to seat smb. to the right of the hostess - посадить кого-л. справа от хозяйки дома

to seat oneself - садиться

to seat oneself in the middle of the first row - сесть /усесться/ в середине первого ряда

to be seated - сидеть

to ask /to beg/ smb. to be seated - просить кого-л. (при)сесть

please be seated - садитесь, пожалуйста; прошу садиться

he can't remain seated a minute - он не может ни минуты посидеть на месте

to be well seated - удобно сидеть /усесться/

a man seated in an office is not expected to rise when a woman speaks to him - мужчина, сидящий в учреждении, не обязан вставать, когда к нему обращается женщина

2) **рассаживать (по протоколу); делать рассадку**

to seat guests according to rank [to age] - рассаживать гостей по рангам [по возрасту]

3) **редк.** назначать на должность, обеспечивать место

to seat a candidate - проводить кандидата в парламент

2. 1) **вмещать, помещать**

the theatre [the hall] will seat 800 - театр [зал] на 800 мест

how many people can you seat in this room? - сколько человек можно посадить в этой комнате?

this table seats twelve - за этим столом могут сесть двенадцать человек

2) **снабжать, оборудовать стульями, креслами и т. п.**

a hall seated to hold a thousand - в зале тысяча сидячих мест

a carriage which is seated for five - пятиместная карета

3. **чинить, вставлять новое сиденье и т. п.**

to seat a chair - вставить новое сиденье в стул

to seat an old pair of trousers - залатать старые брюки

4. 1) **помещаться, находиться**

a house seated in a pretty garden - дом, расположенный в красивом саду

2) **корениться, гнездиться**

the trouble [the pain] is seated in ... - беда [боль] коренится в ...

his influence is deeply seated in business circles - его влияние прочно укоренилось в деловых кругах

his disease was too deeply seated - его болезнь коренилась слишком глубоко

5. **редк.** селить, поселять

the Turks seated themselves on the Bosphorus - турки поселились на Босфоре

6. **устанавливать, помещать**

this valve seats badly - этот клапан плохо пригнан

seat

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seat [seat seats seated seating] **noun, verb** BrE [si:t] ^u NAmE [si:t] ^u

noun

PLACE TO SIT

1. a place where you can sit, for example a chair

- She sat back in her seat.
- He put his shopping on the seat behind him.
- Please **take a seat** (= sit down).
- Ladies and gentlemen, please **take your seats** (= sit down).
- a **window /corner seat** (= one near a window/in a corner)
- a **child seat** (= for a child in a car)
- Would you prefer a **window seat** or an **aisle seat**? (= on a plane)
- We used the branch of an old tree as a seat.

- We all filed back to our seats in silence.



see also ↑back seat, ↑bucket seat, ↑hot seat, ↑love seat, ↑passenger seat

-SEATER

- (in nouns and adjectives) with the number of seats mentioned: (BrE) a ten-seater minibus
 - an all-seater stadium (= in which nobody is allowed to stand)

PART OF CHAIR

- the part of a chair, etc. on which you actually sit
 - a steel chair with a plastic seat

IN PLANE/TRAIN/THEATRE

- a place where you pay to sit in a plane, train, theatre, etc
 - to **book/reserve a seat** (= for a concert, etc.)
 - There are no seats left on that flight.

OFFICIAL POSITION

- an official position as a member of a parliament, council, committee, etc
 - a seat on the city council/in Parliament/in Congress
 - to **win/lose a seat** (= in an election)
 - (BrE) to **take your seat** (= to begin your duties, especially in Parliament)
 - The majority of seats on the board will be held by business representatives.

see also ↑safe seat

TOWN/CITY

- ~ of sth (formal) a place where people are involved in a particular activity, especially a city that has a university or the offices of a government
 - Washington is the **seat of government** of the US.
 - a university town renowned as a **seat of learning**

COUNTRY HOUSE

- (also ,country 'seat) (both BrE) a large house in the country, that belongs to a member of the upper class
 - the family seat in Norfolk

PART OF BODY

- (especially formal) the part of the body on which a person sits

Syn: ↑buttocks

PART OF TROUSERS/PANTS

- the part of a pair of trousers/pants that covers a person's seat

more at take a back seat at ↑back seat, bums on seats at ↑bum n., on the edge of your seat at ↑edge n.

Word Origin:

Middle English (as a noun): from Old Norse *sæti*, from the Germanic base of ↑sit. The verb dates from the late 16th cent.

Thesaurus:

seat **noun**

1. C

- He sat back in his seat and tried to relax.

chair • • **sofa** • • **bench** • • **armchair** • • **stool** • • **pew** • • **throne** • |especially AmE **couch** •

in/into/out of a/an seat/chair/armchair/pew

on/onto/off a/an seat/chair/sofa/bench/armchair/stool/pew/throne/couch

sit (down) on/in a/an seat/chair/sofa/bench/armchair/stool/pew/throne/couch

Seat or chair? A **chair** is a piece of furniture designed for sitting on; a **seat** is anywhere that you can sit:

- a set of dining/kitchen chairs

✗ a set of dining/kitchen seats:

- We used the old tree stump as a seat.

✗ We used the old tree stump as a chair. **Seat** is also used for the place where you sit in a vehicle:

- the passenger seat/driver's seat (= in a car)
- an aisle/a window seat (= in a bus/plane/train)

2. C

- I reserved two seats for a performance of 'King Lear'.

place •

a/an **good/empty** place/seat

take/book/reserve a place/seat

save sb a place/seat

Synonyms:

sit

sit down • be seated • take a seat • perch

These words all mean to rest your weight on your bottom with your back upright, for example on a chair.

sit • to rest your weight on your bottom with your back upright, for example on a chair: ▫ May I sit here? ▫ Sit still, will you!

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to sit/sit down/be seated/take a seat **in** sth

Example Bank:

- Do you have a spare seat in your car?
- He gave up his seat on the bus to a pregnant woman.
- He has been selected to fight the seat at the next election.
- He leaped out of his seat when he saw the rat.
- He lost his seat in the last election.
- I always ask for an aisle seat when I fly.
- I always feel sick if I sit in the back seat of the car.
- I found my gloves lying on the back seat.
- I got to the concert early to get a good seat.
- I had a terrifying journey on the pillion seat of a Honda 750.
- I managed to get some seats for the ballet.
- I slid into the leather bucket seat and fastened my seat belt.
- I took my usual seat at the front of the classroom.
- Is it possible to book seats for the play?
- Is this seat taken?
- It is very uncomfortable to sit on these seats.
- Not all theatres/theaters can fill their seats so easily.
- Please take a seat.
- Republicans currently hold 51 seats in the Senate.
- Republicans won 52.7% of the House seats.
- Seat reservations are free.
- She is running for a seat in the New York State Assembly.
- She slid into the driver's seat.
- She took her seat in Parliament as Britain's youngest MP.
- The Democrats captured 18 of the 30 open seats.
- The Liberals took seven seats from Labour.
- The audience resumed their seats for the second half of the play.
- The best seats were occupied by the friends and families of the performers.
- The man in the passenger seat seemed to be asleep.
- The party held the seat with a 10 000 majority.
- There were no empty seats left in the hall.
- We had hardly settled into our seats when the first goal was scored.
- We had ringside seats for the boxing match.
- We had the best seats in the house for the concert.
- We settled back into our seats and waited for the show to begin.
- With two minutes to go before the end, I was on the edge of my seat.
- a seat in Congress
- a seat on the board
- a seat on the local council
- an electronic seat-reservation system
- the search for finance chiefs to fill board seats
- For the first two years of her life she lived at Ickworth, the family seat in Sussex.
- I reserved seats for a performance of 'King Lear' at the New Theatre.
- Ladies and gentlemen, please take your seats.

• Would you like an aisle seat or a window seat?

- a car seat
- a window/corner seat
- an aisle/a window seat

Idioms: ↑by the seat of your pants ▪ ↑in the driving seat

verb

SIT DOWN

1. ~ **sb/yourself** (formal) to give sb a place to sit; to sit down in a place

- Please wait to be seated (= in a restaurant, etc.) .
- Please **be seated** (= sit down) .
- He seated himself behind the desk.

OF BUILDING/VEHICLE

2. ~ **sb** to have enough seats for a particular number of people

- The aircraft seats 200 passengers.
- The auditorium can seat an audience of 5 000.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	seat
	BrE /si:t/
	NAme /si:t/
he / she /it	seats
	BrE /si:ts/
	NAme /si:ts/
past simple, past participle	seated
	BrE /si:td/
	NAme /si:td/
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Example Bank:

- He seated himself comfortably at the foot of the bed.
- Please be seated.
- Please remain seated until your name is called.
- Ramirez was seated at a table near the window.
- She seated herself on the sofa.
- The car seats six comfortably.
- The old woman was seated in a chair.

See also: ↑country seat ▪ ↑in the driver's seat

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1. **PLACE TO SIT** [countable] a place where you can sit, especially one in a vehicle or one from which you watch a performance, sports event etc:

I was in the back seat and Jo was driving.

▪ a 10,000-seat stadium

▪ People were shifting in their seats, looking uncomfortable.

2. OFFICIAL POSITION [countable] a position as an elected member of a government, or as a member of a group that makes official decisions

seat in/on

▪ a seat in the National Assembly

▪ Promotion would mean a seat on the board of directors.

Parliamentary/Senate etc seat

the Senate seat for Colorado

win/gain/lose a seat (=at an election)

He predicts that his party will gain at least 12 seats.

hold a seat (=have a seat)

▪ The Republicans hold 235 seats and the Democrats have 197.

keep/hold onto a seat

Mr Adams is expected to keep his seat.

▪ Labour held onto the seat with a 7% majority.

safe seat *British English*:

▪ one that a party will not lose

marginal seat *British English*:

▪ one that another party might easily win

3. PART OF A CHAIR [countable usually singular] the flat part of a chair etc that you sit on:

▪ Don't put your feet on the seat!

▪ a wooden toilet seat

▪ a broken bicycle seat

4. baby/child/car seat a special seat that you put in a car for a baby or small child

5. seat of government/power *formal* a city where a country's government is based

6. seat of learning *formal* a university, college etc

7. CLOTHES [singular] the part of your trousers that you sit on

seat of

▪ a rip in the seat of his jeans

8. take a back seat (to somebody/something) to have less influence or importance:

▪ Foreign policy will take a back seat to domestic problems for a while.

9. on the edge of your seat waiting excitedly to see what happens next:

▪ a gripping movie that will keep you on the edge of your seat

10. do something by the seat of your pants to do something by using only your own skill and experience, without any help from anyone or anything else, especially when this is risky or dangerous

11. in the driving seat *British English*, **in the driver's seat** *American English* controlling what happens in a situation, organization, or relationship:

▪ We're trying to put young people in the driving seat.

12. in the hot seat (also **on the hot seat** *American English*) *informal* in a difficult position where you have to make important decisions, answer questions etc

13. HOUSE [countable] a home of a rich important family in the countryside

family/country seat

⇒ **back-seat driver** at ↑**back seat**(2), ⇒ ↑**window seat**

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + seat

▪ **free** Excuse me, is this seat free?

▪ **an empty/vacant seat** Patrick spotted an empty seat near the back.

▪ **the front/back/rear seat** (=in a car) Never leave bags on the back seat of a car.

▪ **the driver's seat** He climbed into the driver's seat.

▪ **the passenger seat** The cop in the passenger seat spun around to stare at him.

▪ **a window/aisle seat** (=one next to the window or the space between seats, for example in a plane) I'd prefer a window seat, please.

▪ **a front-row seat** (=one at the front of a theatre, sports ground etc) We had front-row seats.

▪ **a ringside seat** (=one in the front row at a sports event, especially a boxing match) We managed to get ringside seats, so we had a great view of the fight.

▪ **a good seat** (=one from which you can see well) I managed to get a fairly good seat, near the front.

■ verbs

▪ **have a seat** We had really good seats, just in front of the stage.

▪ **have/take a seat** (=sit down) Take a seat, please.

▪ **book/reserve a seat** You can book seats online.

▪ **show somebody to their seat** A flight attendant showed them to their seats.

▪ **go back to/return to your seat** The audience clapped as he returned to his seat.

▪ **resume your seat** *formal* (=sit down again) We resumed our seats for the second half of the play.

▪ **save somebody a seat** (=tell other people not to sit there) I'll save you a seat next to me.

■ phrases

▪ **bums on seats** *British English informal* (=used for saying that something or someone can attract a large audience) He is

an actor who will put bums on seats.

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

■ verbs

- **have/hold a seat** The Liberals now hold 292 seats in Parliament.
- **win a seat** The following year he won a seat on the local council.
- **gain a seat** (also **take a seat from somebody**) (=win a seat from another party) At the next election the Republicans gained 12 seats in the Senate. | Labour took over fifty seats from the Conservatives.
- **lose a seat** She lost her seat at the last election.
- **keep/hold onto a seat** (also **retain a seat formal**) (=not lose it in an election) He is unlikely to retain his seat after next year's election. | Labour managed to hold the seat, but with a reduced majority.
- **contest a seat** (also **run for a seat**) (=try to win it) Twenty-four candidates contested the five seats. | He ran for the seat as a Republican.

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + seat

- **a parliamentary seat** He and his followers won 10 of the state's 13 parliamentary seats in last month's general election.
- **a Senate seat**
- **a congressional seat**
- **a Labour/Republican etc seat** (=one that a particular party usually wins) Middlesbrough is one of the safest Labour seats in the country.
- **a safe seat** *British English* (=one that a party is unlikely to lose) Maidstone is considered a safe seat for the Conservatives.
- **a marginal seat** *British English* (=one that a party might easily lose) The party also successfully targeted marginal seats in key areas.

II. seat² BrE⁴ AmE⁴ verb [transitive]

[Word Family: noun: ↑seat, ↑seating; verb: ↑seat ≠ ↑unseat; adjective: ↑seated]

1. [not in progressive] if a place seats a number of people, it has enough seats for that number:
The arena seats 60,000.
2. **formal seat yourself (in/on/beside etc something)** to sit down somewhere:
She seated herself at her desk.
3. to arrange for someone to sit somewhere
seat somebody beside/near etc somebody/something
the old custom of seating boys and girls on opposite sides of the classroom ⇒ ↑seated

seat

Freakuency Pack

12500 **909**^{MCW}

15000 **820**^{COCA}

RANGE: **1k SEAT** 56824

seat 32408

seated 6803

seating 2750

seats 14332

seater 15

seaters 7

unseated 100

unseats 10

unseating 66

unseat 333

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

15902 **1304**³²²⁵⁵ *nn1*

69 **88792**⁷⁴ *vv0*

58 **100534**⁵⁸ *vvi*

11 **244305**¹¹ *jj*

9 **261181**¹⁰ *nnu*