

shabby['ʃæbi] *a*

- 1) поношенный, потрёпанный, потёртый, ветхий (об одежде, вещах)
 - shabby clothes - поношенная /потрёпанная/ одежда
 - a shabby sofa - потёртый диван
 - to become shabby - истрепаться, износиться
- 2) одетый в лохмотья, обносившийся
 - a shabby hobo - бродяга в лохмотьях, босяк, оборвыш
 - to look shabby - иметь жалкий /нищенский/ вид; выглядеть оборванцем
- 3) убогий, бедный, захудалый
 - shabby furniture [room] - убогая /бедная/ обстановка [комната]
 - shabby neighbourhood - захудалый район
 - shabby existence - жалкое существование
 - shabby house - ветхий /полуразвалившийся/ дом
2. несправедливый, недостойный
 - to treat smb. in a shabby way - несправедливо отнестись к кому-л.
 - I feel shabby about it - ≅ я чувствую, что вёл себя недостойно; мне стыдно за себя
3. слабый, неубедительный
 - shabby reasoning - неубедительное рассуждение
 - shabby excuse - слабое оправдание, не убедительная отговорка
4. низкий, подлый, бесчестный
 - shabby trick - подлый обман
 - it is very shabby of him - это подло с его стороны
 - a shabby way to behave - гнусное поведение
 - to do smb. a shabby turn - бесчестно поступить с кем-л.
5. скупой, мелочный
 - shabby present [tip] - подарок [чаевые], на который [-ые] поскупились

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shabby [shabby shabbier shabbiest] *BrE* ['ʃæbi] ^m *NAmE* ['ʃæbi] ^m *adjective*

(shab·bier, shab·bi·est)

1. (of buildings, clothes, objects, etc.) in poor condition because they have been used a lot

Syn: ↑scruffy

- The outside of the house was beginning to look shabby.
- She wore shabby old jeans and a T-shirt.

2. (of a person) badly dressed in clothes that have been worn a lot

Syn: ↑scruffy

- The old man was shabby and unkempt.

3. (of behaviour) unfair or unreasonable

Syn: ↑shoddy

- She tried to make up for her shabby treatment of him.
- a shabby affair
- It was a shabby way to treat visitors.

Derived Words ↑shabbily ▪ ↑shabbiness**Word Origin:**

mid 17th cent.: from dialect shab 'scab' (from a Germanic base meaning 'itch') + ↑-y.

Example Bank:

- I suddenly felt rather shabby and uncomfortable.

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shabby /'ʃæbi/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *adjective*

[Date: 1600-1700; Origin: shab 'scab, worthless man' (11-19 centuries), from Old English sceabb 'scab']

1. shabby clothes, places, or objects are untidy and in bad condition because they have been used for a long time:

- Hugh's jacket was old and shabby.
- a shabby little restaurant

2. wearing clothes that are old and worn:

- a shabby tramp

3. *old-fashioned* unfair and unkind:

- a shabby trick

—shabbily *adverb*—shabbiness *noun* [uncountable]

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■ in bad condition

- in (a) bad/terrible/awful condition (also in a bad state especially British English) if something is in bad condition, it is damaged, dirty, not working properly, etc: The road was in a very bad condition. | The inspectors said the bridge was in a bad state and potentially dangerous.

- **shabby** used especially about clothes, furniture, or buildings that are in bad condition because they are old and have been used a lot: His clothes were shabby and ill-fitting. | They lived in a shabby one-room apartment.
- **tattered** used about clothes or books that are old and torn: The old man clutched a tattered copy of 'War and Peace'. | The shirt was now tattered beyond recognition.
- **dilapidated** used about a building that is in very bad condition because it has not been looked after: He shared a dilapidated house with five other people. | The hotel looked slightly dilapidated.
- **run-down** used about a building or area that is in bad condition, especially because the people who live there do not have enough money to look after it properly: He found lodgings at a run-down motel. | We lived in a run-down part of the city.
- **derelict** used about something such as a house or piece of land that is in very bad condition, because it has been empty for a very long time: In the middle of town is a derelict building that used to be the school. | The land behind the factory is stony and derelict.
- **battered** used about something that is old and in bad condition because it has been used a lot and treated roughly: There was nothing in his office except for a few battered chairs. | Alex and Lisa used to drive around town in a battered old Fiat Uno.
- **rickety** used about furniture and other structures that are in such bad condition that they look as if they would break if you tried to use them: The staircase was old and rickety. | They sat around the card table on rickety old chairs. | a rickety bamboo fence
- **clapped-out** *British English informal*, **beat-up** *American English informal* [usually before noun] used about a vehicle or machine that is so old that it does not work properly: She drives an old beat-up Ford. | He was using a clapped-out old typewriter.
- **be falling apart** *especially spoken* if something is falling apart, it is gradually breaking into pieces, because it is old or badly made: I need some new shoes. These are falling apart.
- **be on its last legs** *informal* if a vehicle or machine is on its last legs, it has been used so much and is in such bad condition that you will soon not be able to use it any more: The washing machine was on its last legs.
- **have seen better days** *informal* if something has seen better days, it is not in as good condition as it was: The carpets, curtains, and cushions had all seen better days but still looked quite pretty. | She lived in an old Victorian house that had certainly seen better days.

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