

**variety**[və'raɪəti] *n***1. разнообразие**

variety in food - разнообразие в еде /в пище/

varieties of fortune - перипетии судьбы

variety of opinions - различные точки зрения

variety of shapes - разнообразие форм

to lend variety to smth. - вносить разнообразие во что-л.

life full of variety - жизнь, полная разнообразия /перемен/

he cannot live without variety - он не может жить без смены впечатлений

I was struck by the variety of his attainments - я был поражён его разносторонностью

**2. ряд, множество**

for a variety of reasons [of causes] - по (целому) ряду соображений [причин]; по разным соображениям [причинам]

to deal in a variety of goods - иметь в продаже широкий ассортимент товаров

she turned over a variety of silks - она перевернула грудку шелков

**3. вид**

rare varieties of jubilee stamps - редкие юбилейные марки

**4. амер. = variety store****5. = variety show****6. 1) биол. разновидность, сорт**

silkworm varieties - разновидности шелковичных червей

**2) с.-х. сорт**

a variety of apple - сорт яблок

variety test plot - с.-х. сортоучасток

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**var·i·ety** [variety varieties] *BrE* [və'raɪəti] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE* [və'raɪəti] <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** (pl.

var·i·eties )

**1. singular ~ (of sth) several different sorts of the same thing**

- There is a **wide variety of** patterns to choose from.
- He resigned for a variety of reasons.
- This tool can be used in a variety of ways.
- I was impressed by the variety of dishes on offer.

**2. uncountable the quality of not being the same or not doing the same thing all the time****Syn:** ↑diversity

- We all need variety in our diet.
- We want more variety in our work.

**3. countable ~ (of sth) a type of a thing, for example a plant or language, that is different from the others in the same general group**

- Apples come in a great many varieties.
- a rare variety of orchid
- different varieties of English
- My cooking is of the 'quick and simple' variety.

**4. (NAmE also vaudeville) uncountable a form of theatre or television entertainment that consists of a series of short performances, such as singing, dancing and funny acts**

- a **variety show/theatre**

**Idiom:** ↑variety is the spice of life**See also:** ↑vaudeville**Word Origin:**late 15th cent.: from French *variété* or Latin *varietas*, from *varius* 'changing, diverse'.**Example Bank:**

- Menus offer a good variety of seafood.
- Old varieties of rose can be less resistant to diseases.
- The market sold a bewildering variety of cheeses.
- There are hundreds of different varieties of apple.
- There is wide variety in shape and colour.
- a country of great variety
- breeders who develop new varieties
- cultivated varieties such as the damask rose
- high-yielding varieties of rice
- the rich variety of the local bird life
- The variety of English that they speak is closer to American than British.
- They stock over 200 varieties of cheese.
- This is a very rare variety of orchid.

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**var·i·ety** **S2 W1** /və'raɪəti/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** (plural **varieties**)[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑variable, ↑variance, ↑variant, ↑variety, ↑variability, ↑variation; **adjective:** ↑variable ≠ ↑invariable, ↑varied

↑various; advert ↑variably ≠ ↑invariably, ↑variously; verb ↑vary]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: French; Origin: variété, from Latin varietas, from varius; ⇔ ↑various]

1. a **variety of something** a lot of things of the same type that are different from each other in some way:

" The girls come from a variety of different backgrounds.

### GRAMMAR

If you are using a **variety of** before a plural noun, it is better to use a plural verb, although a singular verb is sometimes used:

▪ A variety of techniques were used.

2. [uncountable] the differences within a group, set of actions etc that make it interesting:

" I really like the variety the store has to offer.

give/add/bring variety (to something) (=make something more interesting)

" Occasionally working from home adds variety to a job.

3. [countable] a type of thing, such as a plant or animal, that is different from others in the same group

variety of

" The lake has more than 20 varieties of fish.

4. [countable usually singular] a particular type of person or thing – often used humorously

of the ... variety

" Lon has no patience with anything of the child variety.

5. **variety is the spice of life** used to say that doing a lot of different things, meeting different people etc is what makes life interesting

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### COLLOCATIONS

#### ■ adjectives

▪ a **wide/great/large variety** They hold debates on a wide variety of topics.

▪ a **huge/enormous variety** Fruit is eaten by a huge variety of animals and birds.

▪ an **infinite/ endless variety** There is a seemingly infinite variety of beers to choose from.

▪ a **rich variety** A rich variety of plants grow here.

▪ a **bewildering variety** (=so many that you feel confused) There is a bewildering variety of roses to choose from.

▪ an **amazing variety** The market has an amazing variety of fresh fish.

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### THESAURUS

▪ **type/kind/sort** one member of a group of people or things that have similar features or qualities. **Type** is the usual word to use in scientific or technical contexts. In everyday English, people usually use **kind** or **sort** What type of fish is this? | There are two main personality types.

▪ **kind** a type of person or thing. **Kind** is less formal than **type**, and is used especially in everyday English: What kind of food do you like? | There were all kinds of people there. | The study is the first of its kind in Ireland.

▪ **sort especially British English** a type of person or thing. **Sort** is less formal than **type**, and is used especially in everyday British English: What sort of person is she? | I like all sorts of music.

▪ **form** one type of something from all the ones that are possible – used especially when things have different physical characteristics, or in certain fixed phrases: There are many forms of heart disease. | Melanoma is a form of skin cancer. | The first primitive life forms consumed various materials, including hydrogen sulfide, and released oxygen. | In those days, horses were the commonest form of transport. | We need to use alternative forms of energy. | a popular form of entertainment

▪ **variety** a type that is slightly different from others in the same group: The French make many varieties of cheese. | This is a new variety of apple.

▪ **species** a type of plant or animal, which can breed together to produce plants or animals of the same type: These forests contain many species of trees. | The giant panda is an endangered species.

▪ **of a ... nature formal** used when talking about a particular type of thing: Many people find it embarrassing to discuss problems of a sexual nature. | Minor incidents of this nature normally occur about once a month.

▪ **category** a group of people or things that are all of the same type – used when there is a clear system for deciding which group something belongs to: The three major categories of rock are: igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary. | She won the best actress category at the Oscars.

▪ **brand** used when talking about the particular way that someone does something or thinks about something, when this is very different from that of other people: She has her own special brand of humour. | He has called for a more positive brand of politics.

▪ **genre formal** a type of art, music, literature etc. that has a particular style or feature: He has written novels in several genres, most notably science fiction.

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