

**carp**

I  
[kɑ:p] *n* **зоол.**  
сазан, карп (*Cyprinus carpio*)

II

1. [kɑ:p] *n*  
жалоба; сетование; недовольство
2. [kɑ:p] *v*
  - 1) придираться; недоброжелательно критиковать  
to carp at a writer - выискивать недостатки у писателя
  - 2) брюзжать, ворчать  
to carp at smb. about smth. - ворчать на кого-л. по поводу чего-л.  
to carp at smb.'s laziness - жаловаться на чью-л. лень  
to carp about bad weather - быть недовольным плохой погодой

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**carp** [carp carps carped carping] **noun, verb** BrE [kɑ:p] AmE [kɑ:rp]  
**noun** **countable, uncountable** (pl. **carps**)  
a large freshwater fish that is used for food

Word Origin:

- n.** late Middle English Old French *carpe* late Latin *carpa*
- v.** Middle English 'talk, chatter' Old Norse *karpa* 'brag' Latin *carpere* 'pluck at, slander'

**verb intransitive ~ (at sb) (about sth)**

to keep complaining about sb/sth in an annoying way

Verb forms

| verb forms                   |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| present simple               |                |
| I / you / we / they          | carp           |
|                              | BrE /kɑ:p/     |
|                              | NAmE /kɑ:rp/   |
| he / she / it                | carps          |
|                              | BrE /kɑ:ps/    |
|                              | NAmE /kɑ:rps/  |
| past simple, past participle | carped         |
|                              | BrE /kɑ:pt/    |
|                              | NAmE /kɑ:rpt/  |
| -ing form                    | carping        |
|                              | BrE /kɑ:pɪŋ/   |
|                              | NAmE /kɑ:rpiŋ/ |

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Example Bank:

- I've had enough of him constantly carping and criticizing.
- Lord, how you carp on, Lucy!

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I. **carp**<sup>1</sup> /kɑ:p/ kɑ:rp BrE AmE **verb** [intransitive]  
[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: From a Scandinavian language]  
to keep complaining about something in a way that is annoying  
**carp about**

He always finds something to carp about.

II. **carp**<sup>2</sup> BrE AmE **noun** (plural **carps**) [countable]  
[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: carpe, from late Latin *carpa*]  
a large fish that lives in lakes and rivers and can be eaten

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Frequency Pack

12500 **9576** MCW

15000 **8959** COCA

RANGE: **7k** CARP 899

carp 717

carped 25

carping 140

carps 17

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

295 **28867**<sup>595</sup> *nn*  
61 **88284**<sup>75</sup> *vv0*  
46 **112071**<sup>47</sup> *vvi*

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