

caustic

I

1. ['kɔːstɪk] *n*
 1. 1) едкое вещество
common /lunar/ caustic - ляпис
 - 2) *хум.* каустическая сода, каустик
 2. язвительность, сарказм, яд
full of caustic - дышащий злобой, злопыхательский, язвительный
2. ['kɔːstɪk] *a*
 1. 1) *хум.* едкий, каустический
 - 2) *мед.* прижигающий
caustic stick - палочка для прижигания
 - 3) разрушающий, разъедающий
 2. язвительный, едкий, колкий
caustic tongue - злой язык
caustic remarks - саркастические замечания

II

1. ['kɔːstɪk] *n спец.*
каустическая поверхность, каустика
2. ['kɔːstɪk] *a спец.*
каустический (о поверхности)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

caus·tic *BrE* ['kɔːstɪk] *NAmE* ['kɔːstɪk] *adjective*

1. (of a chemical substance) able to destroy or dissolve other substances

Syn: ↑corrosive

- a caustic cleaning product
- caustic liquid which blisters the skin

2. critical in a bitter or ↑sarcastic way

Syn: ↑scathing

- **caustic comments/wit**
- Her speech was a caustic attack on government officials.

Derived Word ↑caustically**Word Origin:**[**caustic caustically**] late Middle English: via Latin from Greek *kaustikos*, from *kaustos* 'combustible', from *kaiein* 'to burn'.**Example Bank:**

- a highly caustic chemical
- Lisa ignored the caustic comment.
- She was frantically trying to think up some caustic reply.

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caus·tic /'kɔːstɪk/ 'kɔːs/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** causticus, from Greek, from *kaiein* 'to burn']

1. a caustic substance can burn through things by chemical action:
caustic soda (=a chemical used for cleaning things)
2. a caustic remark criticizes someone in a way that is unkind but often cleverly humorous **SYN** acerbic
caustic wit/comments/remark etc
Eliot appreciated Pound's caustic wit.

—**caustically** /-kli/ *adverb*:

- 'I can hardly wait,' Sir Trevorreplied caustically.

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