

sift**1. [sift] *n редк.***

1. просеивание
2. = siftage

2. [sift] *v***1. 1) просеивать**

to sift flour from bran - отсеивать отруби из муки

2) *mex.* грохотить; фильтровать**3) сеяться, просеиваться, проходить (о пыли, снеге и т. п.)**

the snow sifted softly down - тихо сыпался снег

sand sifted into my shoe - мне в туфлю насыпался /попал/ песок

the sunshine sifted through the cloud - солнце просвечивало сквозь облако

2. посыпать через сито

to sift sugar on to a cake - посыпать пирог сахарной пудрой через сито

3. тщательно исследовать, скрупулёзно анализировать

to sift evidence - тщательно изучать /анализировать/ показания

to sift a question to the bottom - разобраться в каком-л. вопросе до конца

4. внимательно подбирать (*работников и т. п.*); изучать кандидатуры (*отсеивая неподходящие*)**sift**

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sift [sift sifts sifted sifting] BrE [sɪft] ^ɪ NAmE [sɪft] ^ɪ verb**1. transitive ~ sth** to put flour or some other fine substance through a [↑]sieve

- Sift the flour into a bowl.

2. transitive, intransitive to examine sth very carefully in order to decide what is important or useful or to find sth important

- ~ **sth** We will sift every scrap of evidence.
- Computers are being used to sift the information.
- ~ **through sth** Crash investigators have been sifting through the wreckage of the aircraft.

3. transitive ~ sth (out) from sth to separate sth from a group of things

- He sifted the relevant data from the rest.
- She looked quickly through the papers, sifting out from the pile anything that looked interesting.

Derived [↑]sift something out

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	sift
	BrE /sɪft/
	NAmE /sɪft/
he / she /it	sifts
	BrE /sɪfts/
	NAmE /sɪfts/
past simple, past participle	sifted
	BrE /sɪftɪd/
	NAmE /sɪftɪd/
-ing form	sifting
	BrE /sɪftɪŋ/
	NAmE /sɪftɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English sifan, of West Germanic origin; related to Dutch **ziften**, also to [↑]sieve.

Example Bank:

- He's mentally sifting for truths.
- I spent hours sifting through those heavy art books.
- Sift the flour finely before adding it to the mixture.
- They spent days carefully sifting through the evidence.
- They will try to sift out the winners and the losers.
- Sift the flour, baking powder and salt into a bowl.
- You will need 100g self-raising flour, sifted.

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sift /sɪft/ BrE ^ɪ AmE ^ɪ verb [transitive]

[Language: Old English; Origin: sifan]

1. to put flour, sugar etc through a sieve or similar container in order to remove large pieces**2. (also **sift through**)** to examine information, documents etc carefully in order to find something out or decide what is important and what is not:

- Police are sifting through the evidence.

sift something ↔ out *phrasal verb*

to separate something from other things

sift something ↔ out from

- It's hard to sift out the truth from the lies in this case.

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