

thug

[θʌg] *n*

- убийца (из-за угла); головорез; гангстер, бандит
youthful street thugs - малолетние головорезы с улицы, уличные хулиганы-подростки
to employ thugs to quell a revolt - нанять громил для подавления мятежа
thugs don't give me orders - я не принимаю приказов от гангстеров
- уст.* разбойник-душитель (в северной Индии)
- в грам. знач. глагола убивать, душить

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

thug [θʌg θʌgz] *BrE* [θʌg] ^ˈ *NAmE* [θʌg] ^ˈ **noun**

a violent person, especially a criminal

- a gang of thugs

Derived Word ↑ huggish

Word Origin:

early 19th cent. (originally referring to a member of an organization of robbers and assassins in India): from Hindi **thag** 'swindler, thief', based on Sanskrit **sthaḡati** 'he covers or conceals'. The current sense arose in the mid 19th cent.

Example Bank:

- He was beaten up by a gang of thugs.
- A gang of thugs had attacked him with sticks.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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[Date: 1800-1900; Language: Hindi; Origin: thag 'thief', from Sanskrit sthaga 'bad man']

a violent man:

- He was beaten up by a gang of young thugs.

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