

quirk

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1. [kwɜ:k] *n*
 - 1) каламбур, игра слов
 - 2) острота
 2. 1) поворот, изгиб
a quirk of fate - неожиданный поворот судьбы
 - 2) увёртка, уловка
 - 3) причуда, выверт
the old man had many quirks - у старика было много странностей
 3. росчерк пера; завиток (*рисунка*)
 4. *архит.*
 - 1) небольшой желобок
 - 2) гальтель; долото каменщика
 5. *муз. редк.* вариация
2. [kwɜ:k] *v*
 - 1) каламбурировать
 - 2) насмехаться; язвить, ехидничать; высмеивать

II

[kwɜ:k] *n сл.*
курсант лётного училища

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quirk [quirk quirks] *noun, verb* BrE [kwɜ:rk] ^u NAmE [kwɜ:rk] ^u

noun

1. an aspect of sb's personality or behaviour that is a little strange
Syn: ↑peculiarity
 - Everyone has their own little quirks and mannerisms.
2. a strange thing that happens, especially by accident
 - By a strange **quirk of fate** they had booked into the same hotel.
 - an unpredictable quirk of history

Word Origin:

early 16th cent. (as a verb): of unknown origin. The early sense of the noun was 'subtle verbal twist, quibble', later 'unexpected twist'.

Example Bank:

- The system has some odd little quirks.
- as a result of some quirk in the social order
- It was a remarkable quirk in his otherwise orderly character.
- Perhaps it's some quirk in your nature that makes you behave like that.
- They accepted it as one of her little quirks.

Derived Word ↑quirky

verb transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) (especially NAmE)

to twist your mouth or eyebrows suddenly; (of your mouth or eyebrows) to move in this way

- David quirked an eyebrow and smirked slightly.
- Her lips quirked suddenly.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	quirk
	BrE /kwɜ:k/
	NAmE /kwɜ:rɪk/
he / she / it	quirks
	BrE /kwɜ:rks/
	NAmE /kwɜ:rɪks/
past simple, past participle	quirked
	BrE /kwɜ:kt/
	NAmE /kwɜ:rkt/
-ing form	quirking
	BrE /'kwɜ:kɪŋ/
	NAmE /'kwɜ:rɪkɪŋ/

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1. something strange that happens by chance

quirk of

Years later, by a strange quirk of fate, she found herself sitting next to him on a plane.

2. a strange habit or feature of someone's character, or a strange feature of something:

Like every computer, this one has its little quirks.

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quirks ⁵⁰⁹

quirky ¹³¹⁴

quirkier ²²

quirkiest ¹⁷

quirkiness ⁶²

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