

- tiptoe**
- [ˈtɪptəʊ] n**
цыпочки
tiptoe step - шаг на цыпочках
to stand [to walk] on tiptoe - стоять [идти] на цыпочках
◇ tiptoe curiosity - безудержное любопытство
to be on tiptoes with eagerness [with curiosity] - сгорать от нетерпения [от любопытства]
 - [ˈtɪptəʊ] adv**
на цыпочках
to stand tiptoe - стоять на цыпочках
 - [ˈtɪptəʊ] v**
 - вставать, подниматься на цыпочки
to tiptoe to have a better view - подняться на цыпочки, чтобы лучше видеть
 - ходить на цыпочках
to tiptoe into [out of] the room - войти в комнату [выйти из комнаты] на цыпочках
to tiptoe up the stairs - на цыпочках подниматься по лестнице

tiptoe Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.
tip·toe [tiptoe tiptoes tiptoed tiptoeing] **noun, verb** BrE [ˈtɪptəʊ] ¹ NAmE [ˈtɪptəʊ] ²
noun
 | idiom ↑ on tiptoe

verb intransitive (+ adv./prep.)
 to walk using the front parts of your feet only, so that other people cannot hear you
 • I tiptoed over to the window.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	tiptoe
	BrE / ˈtɪptəʊ/
	NAmE / ˈtɪptəʊz/
he / she / it	tiptoes
	BrE / ˈtɪptəʊz/
	NAmE / ˈtɪptəʊz/
past simple, past participle	tiptoed
	BrE / ˈtɪptəʊd/
	NAmE / ˈtɪptəʊd/
-ing form	tiptoeing
	BrE / ˈtɪptəʊɪŋ/
	NAmE / ˈtɪptəʊɪŋ/

Example Bank:

- I let myself in with my key and tiptoed up the stairs.
- She tiptoed back into the room when he was asleep.

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- tip·toe** ¹ /ˈtɪptəʊ \$ -toʊ/ BrE ² AmE ³ **noun**
on tiptoe/on (your) tiptoes if you stand or walk on tiptoe, you stand or walk on your toes, in order to make yourself taller or in order to walk very quietly:
 • She stood on tiptoe to kiss him.
- tip·toe** ² BrE ³ AmE ⁴ **verb** (past tense and past participle **tiptoed**, present participle **tiptoeing**) [intransitive always + adverb/preposition]
 to walk quietly and carefully on your toes, so that nobody hears you:
 • His mother tiptoed into the room.
 • I tiptoed along the corridor.
tiptoe around (something) **phrasal verb**
 to try to avoid dealing with a difficult or embarrassing subject or problem:
 • They were tiptoeing around the delicate subject of money.
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■ **to walk quietly**

- **tiptoe** to walk quietly and carefully on your toes because you do not want to make a noise: I tiptoed out trying not to wake the baby.
- **creep** to walk quietly and slowly because you do not want anyone to see or hear you: Stella crept up the stairs, hoping not to wake her parents.
- **sneak** to walk quietly so that no-one notices you, especially because you are doing something you should not do: They sneaked off without paying. | I quickly sneaked out to have a cigarette.
- **pad** to walk quietly without wearing shoes – also used about cats and dogs walking quietly: Michelle got up and padded barefoot down to the kitchen. | The cat padded in, asking for her food.

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