

familiar**1. [fə'mɪliə] n**

1. близкий друг
2. домашний дух
3. *уст.* член семьи, домочадец
4. 1) монастырский служка
- 2) приближённый папы или епископа
- 3) *уст.* фамильяр член инквизиции, производящий аресты подозреваемых
5. 1) знаток (чего-л.)
- 2) завсегда

2. [fə'mɪliə] a

1. близкий, интимный
familiar friends - близкие друзья
to be on familiar terms with smb. - быть в приятельских отношениях /на короткой ноге/ с кем-л.
2. хорошо знакомый (с чем-л.), знающий (что-л.)
to be familiar with smth. - хорошо знать что-л.
to grow familiar with smth. - освоиться с чем-л.
to make oneself familiar with a language - выучить какой-л. язык
3. давно знакомый, обычный, привычный
familiar sight - знакомый /привычный/ вид
familiar face [voice] - знакомое лицо [-ый голос]
amid familiar surroundings - в привычной обстановке
4. фамильярный
ill bred and familiar manner - дурная и фамильярная манера
5. приручённый (о животном)
◇ familiar spirit - а) дух-покровитель (данной) семьи; б) добрый или злой дух, подсказывающий человеку его действия; в) дух умершего (в спиритизме)

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fa·mil·iar [**familiar familiars**] *BrE* [fə'mɪliə(r)] ^m *NAmE* [fə'mɪliə] ^m **adjective****1. well known to you; often seen or heard and therefore easy to recognize**

- to **look/sound/taste familiar**
- He's a familiar figure in the neighbourhood
- Something about her voice was vaguely familiar.
- I couldn't see any familiar faces in the room.
- ~ **to sb** The smell is very familiar to everyone who lives near a bakery.
- Violent attacks are becoming **all too familiar** (= sadly familiar) .

Opp: †unfamiliar**2. ~ with sth knowing sth very well**

- an area with which I had been familiar since childhood
- By now you will be familiar with the one-way system in the centre of town.
- Are you familiar with the computer software they use?

Opp: †unfamiliar**3. ~ (with sb) (of a person's behaviour) very informal, sometimes in a way that is unpleasant**

- You seem to be on very familiar terms with your tutor.
- After a few drinks her boss started getting too familiar for her liking.

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'intimate', 'on a family footing'): from Old French **familiier**, from Latin **familiaris**, from **familia** 'household servants, family', from **famulus** 'servant'.

Example Bank:

- Her face looked strangely familiar.
- His face looked awfully familiar.
- His face was instantly familiar, even after all those years.
- I was now getting much more familiar with the local area.
- I'm not overly familiar with these issues.
- The kitchen smelled warm and inviting and blessedly familiar.
- The name sounded vaguely familiar to her.
- The place felt faintly familiar to me.
- The report's conclusions were already familiar enough to the government
- The room looked distinctly familiar.
- You will need to be thoroughly familiar with our procedures.
- a name that was somehow familiar
- a situation which has become all too familiar to most teachers

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familiar ¹ **S3 W2** /fə'mɪliə \$ -ər/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **adjective**[**Word Family:** noun: †familiarity ≠ †unfamiliarity, †family, †familiarization; adjective: †familiar ≠ †unfamiliar, †familial; verb

↑familiarize; **adverb** ↑familiarily]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: familiar, from Latin familia; ⇒ ↑family]

1. someone or something that is familiar is well-known to you and easy to recognize:

▪ a familiar tune

look/sound familiar

▪ The voice on the phone sounded familiar.

familiar to

▪ The signs of drug addiction are familiar to most doctors.

▪ It was a relief to be back in familiar surroundings.

▪ Beggars on the street are becoming a familiar sight.

▪ This kind of situation was all too familiar (=very familiar) to John.

▪ Her face seems vaguely familiar, but I can't quite place her.

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In everyday English, people often say that they **know** something rather than saying it **is familiar** :

▪ *The name of the restaurant was not familiar to me.* → I didn't know the name of the restaurant.

2. **be familiar with something** to have a good knowledge or understanding of something:

▪ Are you familiar with this type of machine?

▪ I'm not familiar with her poetry.

3. **be on familiar terms with somebody** to know someone well and be able to talk to them in an informal way:

▪ He's on familiar terms with all the teachers.

4. talking to someone as if you know them well although you do not

familiar with

▪ I thought he was being a bit familiar with my wife.

5. informal and friendly in speech, writing etc:

▪ The novel is written in an easy familiar style.

⇒ ↑familiarily

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▪ **be familiar with something** to have a good knowledge or understanding of something, because you have used it, read about it etc before: Before the interview, make sure you are familiar with the company's main products. | It will take a little while to become familiar with the new software.

▪ **be used to something** (also **be accustomed to something formal**) to have experienced something before, so that it no longer seems surprising, difficult, strange etc: I'm used to eating spicy food. | Jay found the job hard to begin with, but he soon got used to it. | Consumers have grown accustomed (=become accustomed) to having a lot of choice. | Our staff are accustomed to dealing with the needs of foreign clients.

▪ **be at home with something** to feel happy and confident about doing or using something, especially because you have had a lot of practice: Tom's lived in Moscow for 20 years and he's completely at home with the language. | It takes a few weeks for people to feel at home with the system.

▪ **be comfortable with something/somebody** to feel relaxed and not worried about doing something or being with someone: We're all becoming increasingly comfortable with buying things online. | The activities are intended to help new students feel more comfortable with each other..

II. **familiar** ² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *noun* [countable]

a cat or other animal that lives with a ↑witch and has magical powers

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