

[ə'mʌŋst] *КНИЖН. СМ. among***amongst**

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among *BrE* [ə'mʌŋ] ^ˈ *NAmE* [ə'mʌŋ] ^ˈ (also **amongst** *BrE* [ə'mʌŋst] ^ˈ ;*NAmE* [ə'mʌŋst] ^ˈ) **preposition**

- surrounded by sb/sth; in the middle of sb/sth
 - a house among the trees
 - They strolled among the crowds.
 - I found the letter amongst his papers.
 - It's OK, you're among friends now.
- being included or happening in groups of things or people
 - A British woman was among the survivors
 - He was among the last to leave.
 - This attitude is common among the under-25s.
 - 'What was wrong with the job?' 'Well, the pay wasn't good, **among other things**.'
 - Discuss it **among yourselves** (= with each other) first.
- used when you are dividing or choosing sth, and three or more people or things are involved
 - They divided the money up among their three children.

Word Origin:[**among**] Old English ongemang (from on 'in' + gemang 'assemblage, mingling').**amongst**

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among **S2 W1** /ə'mʌŋ/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ (also **a**mongst/ə'mʌŋst/) **preposition**[**Language:** Old English; **Origin:** on gemonge, from on + gemong 'crowd']

- in or through the middle of a group of people or things:
 - The girl quickly disappeared among the crowd.
 - I could hear voices coming from somewhere among the bushes.
 - We walked among the chestnut woods on the mountain slopes.
 - She began rummaging among the books on her desk. ⇒ ↑**between**
- with a particular group of people:
 - Jim relaxed, knowing he was **among** friends.
- used to say that many people in a group have the same feeling or opinion, or that something affects many people in a group:
 - The problem is causing widespread concern among scientists.
 - The general opinion among police officers was that the law should be tightened.
 - The changes will mean 7,000 job losses among railway workers.
- used to talk about a particular person, thing, or group as belonging to a larger group:
 - She was the eldest among them.
 - Innocent civilians were among the casualties.
 - My grandfather had among his possessions a portrait by Matisse.
 - Representatives were chosen by the students from among themselves.
- among other things/places/factors etc** used to say that you are only mentioning one or two people or things out of a much larger group:
 - At the meeting they discussed, among other things, recent events in Japan.
- if something is divided or shared among a group of people, each person is given a part of it:
 - A father's property was divided among his heirs.
- among yourselves/ourselves/themselves** with each other:
 - The allies found it hard to agree among themselves.

GRAMMAR**among, between**

When you are talking about position, use **among** if there are more than two people or things around someone or something, and **between** if there is just one person or thing on each side:

- They hid among the reeds.
- I put my bag on the ground between my feet.

► **Among** is not commonly used after words such as 'relationship' and 'difference', even when more than two people or things are involved. Use **between** :

- the relationship between these three sectors of the economy

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