# change part - *mex*. сменная деталь change switch - *mex*. переключатель

2) замена, смена; подмена; разнообразие

change of sign - мат. перемена знака

for a change - для разнообразия

you need a change - вам нужно переменить обстановку /работу и т. л./

change for the better [for the worse] - перемена к лучшему [к худшему]

change of air - a) перемена обстановки; б) *mex*. обмен воздуха

change of station - **воен.** командировка, перевод в другую часть change of leads - перемена ноги на галопе (конный спорт) change of tide - чередование приливно-отливныхтечений

this journey will be (a bit of) a change for you - поездка внесёт в вашу жизнь некоторое разнообразие

# 2. смена (белья, платья)

разнообразия в жизнь

change station - воен. пункт обмена обмундирования

many changes have taken place - многое изменилось

the change from winter to spring - переход от зимы к весне change gear - *mex*. механизм изменения хода и скоростей

a change of underwear - смена белья

### 3. 1) размен (денег)

to give change for a pound note - разменять банковый билет в 1 фунт стерлингов

subject to change - могущий измениться; подлежащий изменению /переделке/

## 2) обмен (на другую валюту)

#### 4. сдача

he got ninepence change - он получил 9 пенсов сдачи

keep the change! - сдачи не нужно!

### 5. разменная монета; мелкие деньги, мелочь

small change - a) мелкие деньги, мелочь; б) что-л мелкое /незначительное; пустяки, мелочи жизни

# 6. пересадка (на железной дороге и т. п.)

no change for Oxford - a) до Оксфорда без пересадки; б) (здесь) пересадки на Оксфорд нет to make a change at N. - делать пересадку в N.

### 7. спец. превращение

chemical [nuclear /subatomic/] change - химическое [ядерное] превращение

# 8. астр. новая фаза Луны, новолуние

### 9. обыкн. рІ трезвон (колоколов)

to ring the changes - вызванивать на колоколах [см. тж. \Diamond ]

# 10. *шотл.* = change-house

# 11. «параграф» (фигурное катание)

to take the change out of smb. - отомститькому-л.

take your change out of that! -  $\cong$  получайте!, вот вам! (при нанесении удара, удачном ответе u m.  $\pi$ .)

to ring the changes - a) повторять, твердить на все лады одно и то же; б) быстро менять одежду и внешний вид; переодеваться, маскироваться; [см. тж. 9]

# **2.** [t∫eındʒ] *v*

# 1. 1) менять, изменять; переделывать

to change the course - мор. изменять курс

to change one's address - переменить адрес, переехать

to change colour - покраснеть или побледнеть

to change countenance - измениться в лице

to change step /foot, feet/ - сменить ногу [ср. тж. 3, 1)]

change arms! - воен. передать оружие! (из одной руки в другую, с одного плеча на другое)

success changed him - добившись успеха, он изменился

we can't change human nature - человеческую природу не переделаешь

we changed the room by making a new window - мы перестроили комнату /изменили вид комнаты/, прорезав новое окно

# 2) меняться, изменяться

the weather changes very often - погода часто меняется

times change - времена меняются

the wind has changed from north to east - северный ветер перешёл в восточный

how he has changed! - как он изменился! they are changing from their old ideas - они отказываются от своих старых представлений I could not wish it changed - я бы хотел, чтобы всё оставалось по-прежнему

2. 1) обменивать take the hat back to the shop and change it - отнеси шляпу в магазин и поменяй её (на другую)

2) обмениваться, меняться (чем-л.) to change places with smb. - поменяться /обменяться/ с кем-л. местами

# shall we change seats? - давайте поменяемся местами (в meampe)

3. 1) переодеваться to change for dinner - переодеться к обеду

to change into a new suit - переодеться в новый костюм

he changed his clothes - он переоделся

she changed her feet - разг. она надела другие туфли[ср. тж. I, 1)]

I wouldn't change places with him - я бы не хотел быть на его месте

#### 2) менять бельё, пелёнки и т. п.

to change a bed - перестелить постель, сменить /переменить/ постельное бельё to change a baby - *разг*. перепеленать ребёнка

### 4. (into)

### 1) превращать

the magician changed a watch into a rabbit - фокусник превратил часы в кролика

### 2) превращаться

caterpillars change into butterflies - гусеницы превращаются в бабочек

to change into a bird - превратиться в птицу, обернуться птицей

to change into a miser - превратиться в скрягу, стать скрягой

### 5. 1) портиться

this colour changes - эта краска /этот цвет/ линяет/выгорает, выцветает/

# 2) разг. портить

the milk is changed - молоко свернулось /скисло/

### 6. переходить в новую фазу (о Луне)

the moon will change on the fourteenth - новолуние наступит четырнадцатого

# IΙΑ

### 1. 1) разменивать, менять (деньги)

to change a pound note - разменять банковый билет в один фунт

to change a cheque - получить наличные деньги по чеку

### 2) обменивать (на другую валюту)

to change pounds into francs - обменять фунты на франки

### 2. делать пересадку, пересаживаться

to change from one train to another [from a train to a bus] - пересаживаться на другой поезд [с поезда на автобус] we change at Manchester [at the next stop] - у нас пересадка в Манчестере [на следующей станции] all change! - поезд дальше не идёт!

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to change one's mind - передумать, изменить своё решение

to change hands - переходить из рук в руки; переходить к другому владельцу

the house has changed hands four times - дом переходил от владельца к владельцу четыре раза

to change the hand - переменить направление (конный спорт)

to change the channel cm. channel I 6

to change one's skin - измениться до неузнаваемости; «перекраситься»

to change face - повернуться на 180u00B0, переменить фронт, повернуться в другую сторону

to change sides - перебежать в лагерь противника; изменить своим убеждениям

to change one's note /tune/ - переменить тон, заговорить по-иному

to change horses in midstream - производить крупные перемены в опасный момент,  $\cong$  лошадей на переправе не меняют

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[t∫eındʒ] *n* биржа

# change

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**change** [change changes changed changing] verb, noun BrE [tfeindz] \*\*

NAmE [tfeindz] \*\*

#### /erb

# **BECOME/MAKE DIFFERENT**

### 1. intransitive to become different

- Rick hasn't changed. He looks exactly the same as he did at school.
- changing attitudes towards education
- Her life changed completely when she won the lottery.

# 2. transitive ~ sb/sth to make sb/sth different

- Fame hasn't really changed him.
- Computers have changed the way people work.
- 3. intransitive, transitive to pass or make sb/sth pass from one state or form into another
- Wait for the traffic lights to change.

- ~ (from A) to/into B The lights changed from red to green.
- Caterpillars change into butterflies.
- ~ sb/sth (from A) to/into B With a wave of her magic wand, she changed the frog into a handsome prince.
- 4. transitive ~ sth to stop having one state, position or direction and start having another
  - Leaves change colour in autumn.
  - The wind has changed direction.
- Our ship changed course.

#### **REPLACE**

- 5. transitive to replace one thing, person, service, etc. with sth new or different
  - ~ sb/sth I want to change my doctor.
  - · That back tyre needs changing.
  - ~ sb/sth (for sb/sth) We change our car every two years.
  - · We changed the car for a bigger one.
  - ~ sth (to sth) Marie changed her name when she got married.
  - · She changed her name to his.

### **EXCHANGE**

- **6.** transitive (used with a plural object) to exchange positions, places, etc. with sb else, so that you have what they have, and they have what you have
  - ~ sth At half-time the teams change ends.
  - Can we change seats?
  - ~ sth with sb Can I change seats with you?

### **CLOTHES**

- 7. intransitive, transitive to put on different or clean clothes
  - · I went into the bedroom to change.
  - ~ into sth She changed into her swimsuit.
  - ~ out of sth You need to change out of those wet things.
  - ~ sth (especially NAmE) I didn't have time to change clothes before the party.
- (especially BrE) I didn't have time to get changed before the party (= to put different clothes on) .

# **BABY**

- 8. transitive ~ sb/sth to put clean clothes or a clean fnappy / fdiaper on a baby
  - She can't even change a nappy.
  - · The baby needs changing.
  - · There are baby changing facilities in all our stores.

# BED

- 9. transitive ~ sth to put clean sheets, etc. on a bed
  - · to change the sheets
  - · Could you help me change the bed?

### **MONEY**

- 10. transitive to exchange money into the money of another country
  - ~ sth Where can I change my traveller's cheques?
  - ~ sth into sth to change dollars into yen
- 11. transitive to exchange money for the same amount in different coins or notes
  - ~ sth Can you change a £20 note?
  - ~ sth for/into sth to change a dollar bill for four quarters

### **GOODS**

- 12. transitive ~ sth (for sth) (BrE) to exchange sth that you have bought for sth else, especially because there is sth wrong with it; to give a customer a new item because there is sth wrong with the one they have bought
  - This shirt I bought's too small— I'll have to change it for a bigger one.
  - Of course we'll change it for a larger size, Madam.

### **BUS/TRAIN/PLANE**

- 13. intransitive, transitive to go from one bus, train, etc. to another in order to continue a journey
  - Where do I have to change?
  - · Change at Reading (for London).
  - ~ sth I stopped in Moscow only to change planes.

# see also ↑unchanging

more at chop and change at 1chop v., a leopard cannot change its spots at 1leopard, change/swap places at 1place n.

verb forms present simple I / you / we /they change BrE /t/einds/ NAME /tʃeɪndʒ/ he / she /it changes BrE /t/eznd3zz/ NAME /t [eindxiz/ past simple, past participle changed BrE /t/eindsd/ NAME /t [e ind3d/ changing ing form BrE /t/eindsin/

### Word Origin:

Verb forms:

Middle English: from Old French change (noun), changer (verb), from late Latin cambiare, from Latin cambire 'barter', probably of Celtic origin.

### Thesaurus:

### change verb

1. I

Rick hasn't changed much in 20 years.

alter • • vary • • alternate • • fluctuate • |especially journalism shift • • swing •

change/shift/swing from sth to sth

vary/alternate/fluctuate/swing between A and B

change/alter/vary/fluctuate/shift/swing dramatically /sharply

NAME /tʃeɪndʒɪŋ/

**Change or alter?** Alter is often used when sth has changed only slightly; **change** is more frequent and has a much wider range, often suggesting a complete change to sth important, or sth which is in the process of changing:

• Her life changed completely when she won the lottery.

# ★ Her life altered completely.:

· changing attitudes to education

### \* altering attitudes to education

**2.** T

• IT has changed the way people work.

alter · · adapt · · shift · · vary · · adjust · · revise · · tailor · · modify · · amend ·

change/alter/adapt/adjust/revise/modify your ideas

change/alter/shift/adjust/revise/modify your/sb's attitude/opinion

change/alter/shift/vary the emphasis

change/alter/adapt/revise/modify/amend a text

Change or alter? Alter is often used when sth does not change

It doesn't alter the way I feel.

Change has a much wider range of uses, including particular collocations such as change your mind, change your name and change the subject.

# **3.** I, T

· Caterpillars change into butterflies.

turn • • transform • • convert • • translate • |formal metamorphose • |biology evolve • • mutate •

change/turn/transform sth/convert/metamorphose/evolve/mutate from sth into sth

change/turn/transform sth/convert/evolvemutate rapidly (into sth)

change/turn/transform sth/convert/evolvequickly/slowly/gradually (into sth)

**Change or turn? Change** is only used in cases where sth occurs naturally, automatically or by magic. **Turn** can also be used when people use their effort or skill to change one thing or situation into sth different, or when circumstances change a situation:

There are plans to turn the old station into a hotel.

# ✗ There are plans to change the old station into a hotel.:

· A minor disagreement turned into a major crisis.

★ A minor disagreement changed into a major crisis.

#### 4. T

· Can I change seats with you?

exchange · · swap/swop · · switch · · replace · · substitute · · reverse · · barter · |especially AmE journalism trade · change/exchange/swap/switch/substitute/barter/trade A for B

change/exchange/swap/trade places

change/replace a battery/bulb/fuse/tyre/wheel

# **5.** T (especially spoken)

· Where can I change my traveller's cheques?

### exchange · · cash · · cash sth in ·

change/cash traveller's cheques

change/exchange your currency/pounds/dollars into pounds/dollars/the local currency

### Example Bank:

- Attitudes to marriage are changing fast.
- · Caracas changed from a small town into a busy city.

- Her voice changed subtly.
- His anger changed to sadness.
- · Jane has changed a lot since she went to college.
- Our way of life has changed dramatically over the last ten years.
- Technology has foreverchanged the way businesses operate.
- The language is changing all the time.
- The place had changed out of all recognition.
- The town has actually changed very little in the last hundred years.
- Don't keep changing the subject.
- · Fame hasn't really changed him.
- · I didn't change my name when I got married.
- I didn't have time to change clothes before the party.
- Information technology has changed the way people work.
- It can be hard to get people to change their habits.
- Rick hasn't changed. He looks exactly the same as he did at school.
- The fruit changes colour as it ripens.
- The storekeeper changed my dollar bill for four quarters.
- · This incident changed the whole course of events.
- We examined changing attitudes towards education.
- We needed to change our dollars into the local currency.
- · What made you change your mind?
- · Where can I change my traveller's cheques?
- With a wave of her wand, she changed the frog into a handsome prince.

<u>Idioms:</u> †change for the worse = †change hands = †change horses in midstream = †change of heart = †change of mind = †change your mind = †change your tune = †change your ways = †get no change out of somebody

Derived †change back = †change down = †change over= †change something back = †change something round = †change up

#### noun

# **DIFFERENCE**

- 1. countable, uncountable ~ (in/to sth) the act or result of sth becoming different
  - a change in the weather
  - important changes to the tax system
  - There was no change in the patient's condition overnight
  - · She is someone who hates change.
  - · social/political/economic change

# STH NEW AND INTERESTING

- 2. a change singular ~ (from sth) the fact of a situation, a place or an experience being different from what is usual and therefore likely to be interesting, enjoyable, etc
  - Finishing early was a welcome change .
  - · Let's stay in tonight for a change .
  - Can you just listen for a change ?
  - It makes a change to read some good news for once.

### **REPLACING STH**

- 3. countable ~ (of sth) | ~ (from sth to sth) the process of replacing sth with sth new or different, a thing that is used to replace sth
  - a change of address
  - · a change of government
  - · a change from agriculture to industry
  - There will be a crew change when we land at Dubai.
  - (BrE) Let's get away for the weekend. A change of scene (= time in a different place) will do you good.

### **OF CLOTHES**

- 4. ~ of clothes, etc. countable an extra set of clothes, etc.
  - She packed a change of clothes for the weekend.
  - I keep a change of shoes in the car.

# **MONEY**

- 5. uncountable the money that you get back when you have paid for sth giving more money than the amount it costs
  - · Don't forget your change!
  - That's 40p change.
  - · The ticket machine gives change.
- 6. uncountable coins rather than paper money
  - Do you have any change for the phone?
  - a dollar in change (= coins that together are worth one dollar)
  - I didn't have any **small change** (= coins of low value) to leave as a tip.
  - He puts his **loose change** in a money box for the children.
- Could you give me change for a ten pound note (= coins or notes that are worth this amount) ?

### OF BUS/TRAIN/PLANE

- 7. countable an occasion when you go from one bus, train or plane to another during a journey
  - The journey involved three changes.

more at ring in the changes at fring , a wind/the winds of change at wind 1,

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### change noun

1. C, U

• a change in the weather

variation · · swing · · fluctuation · · alternation · |written variability · |especially journalism shift ·

(a/an) change/variation/swing/fluctuation/alternation/variability/shift in sth

(a) rapid change/fluctuation/alternation/shift

cause (a) change/variation/swing/fluctuations/variability/shift

2. C, U

• a couple of minor changes to the opening paragraph

alteration · · conversion · · amendment · · adjustment · · modification · · revision · · adaptation · · transition · lespecially journalism switch ·

a/an change/alteration/conversion/amendment/adjustment/modification/revision/adaptation/transition/switch  ${f to}$  sth a/an change/alteration/adjustment/modification/switch  ${f in}$  sth

make a(n) change/alteration/amendment/adjustment/modification/revision/adaptation/transition/switch

# Synonyms:

# money

cash · change

These are all words for money in the form of coins or paper notes.

money • money in the form of coins or paper notes: ■ I counted the money carefully. ♦ Where can I change my money into dollars? ♦ paper money ■ (= money that is made of paper, not coins)

cash • money in the form of coins or paper notes: ■ How much cash do you have on you? ◇■ Payments can be made by cheque or ■ in cash ■.

### money or cash?

If it is important to contrast money in the form of coins and notes and money in other forms, use **cash**: \* How much money/cash do you have on you? Payments can be made by cheque or in money. Customers are offered a discount if they pay money. change • the money that you get back when you have paid for sth giving more money than the amount it costs; coins rather than paper money: \* The ticket machine doesn't give change. \* I don't have any \* small change \* \* (= coins of low value) \*.

to draw out/get out/take out/withdraw money/cash

**ready** money/cash (= money that you have available to spend immediately)

### Example Bank:

- A successful company must keep up with the pace of technological change.
- Ask the cashier if she has change for €20.
- · Businesses have to adapt to change.
- Courses offered in schools reflect changes in the job market.
- He called for a change of mood in Scottish politics.
- He emptied his pockets of loose change.
- He made a rapid gear change as he approached the bend.
- He needs to show a change in attitude if he is to succeed.
- He said he's not coming, but he might have a change of heart.
- How far does war bring about social change?
- I checked my change before leaving the store.
- I had around £25 in change.
- I made a couple of minor changes to my opening paragraph.
- I need to make some drastic changes in my life.
- I needed a change of scene after being in the job for so long.
- I reckon we've all made a big change for the better.
- I told the taxi driver to keep the change.
- I usually take the bus to school, but today I walked for a change.
- · I'vegot about 25 dollars in change.
- I've seen many changes since I started farming.
- In the current climate of change, adaptability is vital.
- It made a pleasant change not having to work.
- Major economic changes have occurred recently.
- Take a change of clothes in case you get dirty.
- Television has undergone a sea change in the last two years.
- The eighties were a period of great change in publishing.

- The last few years have seen a change in attitudes to single parents.
- The manual work made a welcome change from his previous job as a telephone operator.
- The meal left me with not much change from \$200.
- The president realized he could not hold back the tide of change, and resigned.
- The report called for sweeping changes to the health system.
- The research will measure any changes in the children's sleep patterns.
- These policies are designed to combat the effects of climate change.
- These reforms have brought about significant changes in the overall economy.
- This machine does not give change.
- Train times are subject to change without notice.
- We are going to introduce a few changes to the system.
- · We resist change because of fear of the unknown.
- Young people are more willing to embrace change.
- · net change in incomes
- the change from the old to the new system
- the need for a culture change within the industry
- Can you give me change for a ten pound note?
- Do you have any change for the ticket machine?
- Don't forget your change!
- · Finishing early was a welcome change.
- He puts his loose change in a money box for the children.
- I didn't have any small change to leave as a tip.
- · Let's stay in tonight for a change.
- That's 40p change.
- The ticket machine doesn't give change.
- There was no change in the patient's condition overnight
- We need to inform you of important changes to the tax system.
- · We're hoping for a change in the weather.
- a dollar in change

# change

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

I. change 1 S1 W1 /t[eɪndʒ/ BrE \* AmE verb

[Word Family: adjective: ↑changeable, ↑interchangeable, ↑changed ≠UNCHANGED, changing ≠ ↑unchanging, ↑changeless; noun: ↑change, ↑interchangeability; verb ↑change, ↑interchange; adverb ↑interchangeably]

[Date: 1100-1200; Language: Old French; Origin: changier, from Latin cambiare 'to exchange]

- 1. BECOME DIFFERENT/MAKE SOMETHING DIFFERENT [intransitive and transitive] to become different, or to make something become different:
  - Susan has changed a lot since I last saw her.
  - Changing your eating habits is the best way to lose weight.
  - The leaves on trees change colour in the autumn.

### change (from something) to something

He changed from being a nice lad to being rude and unhelpful.

### change into

The hissing sound gradually changed into a low hum.

# change somebody/something into something

A witch had changed him into a mouse.

### change something to something

- Mueller changed his name to Miller when he became a U.S. citizen.
- 2. START DOING/USING SOMETHING DIFFERENT [intransitive and transitive] to stop doing or using one thing, and start doing or using something else instead SYN switch:

She changed jobs in May.

### change (from something) to something

- The company has recently changed to a more powerful computer system.
- The ship changed course and headed south.
- The company has had to change direction because of developments in technology.
- Piper awkwardly tried to change the subject (=talk about something else).
- **3**. **REPLACE SOMETHING** [transitive] to put or use something new or different in place of something else, especially because it is old, damaged, or broken:
  - Three boys were changing a tyre by the side of the road.
  - When I lost my keys, we had to change all the locks.

### change something (from something) to something

- The time of the meeting has been changed from 11 a.m. to 10:30.
- How often do you change cars (=buy a new car and sell the old one)?
- 4. change your mind to change your decision, plan, or opinion about something:
  - Her father tried to get her to change her mind.

#### change your mind about

- If you change your mind about the job, just give me a call.
- 5. change sides to leave one party, group etc and join an opposing party, group etc:

It's quite rare for politicians to change sides.

### 6. CLOTHES

a) [intransitive and transitive] to take off your clothes and put on different ones:

Francis came in while Jay was changing.

Change your dress – that one looks dirty.

### change into/out of

Sara changed into her swimsuit and ran out for a quick swim.

You'd better go and get changed.

b) [transitive] to put a clean fnappy on a baby, or to put clean clothes on a baby or small child:

I bathed him and changed his diaper.

Can you change the baby?

7. BED [transitive] to take the dirty \(^\sheets\) off a bed and put on clean ones

## 8. EXCHANGE GOODS [transitive] British English

a) to take back to a shop something that you have bought and get something different instead, especially because there is something wrong with it SYN exchange American English

### change something for something

I bought these gloves for my daughter, but they're too large. Can I change them for a smaller size?

**b)** to give a customer something different instead of what they have bought, especially because there is something wrong with it **SYN exchange** *American English*:

I'm sure the shop will change them for you.

### 9. EXCHANGE MONEY [transitive]

a) to get smaller units of money that add up to the same value as a larger unit:

Can you change a £20 note?

b) to get money from one country for the same value of money from another country

### change something into/for something

I want to change my dollars into pesos, please.

10. TRAINS/BUSES/AIRCRAFT [intransitive and transitive] to get off one train, bus, or aircraft and into another in order to continue your journey

### change at

Passengers for Liverpool should change at Crewe.

# change trains/buses/planes etc

I had to change planes in Denver.

all change! (=used to tell passengers to get off a train because it does not go any further)

11. change hands if property changes hands, it starts to belong to someone else:

The house has changed hands three times in the last two years.

## 12. change places (with somebody)

a) to give someone your place and take their place:

Would you mind changing places with me so I can sit next to my friend?

b) to take someone else's social position or situation in life instead of yours:

She may be rich, but I wouldn't want to change places with her.

13. GEAR [intransitive and transitive] to put the engine of a vehicle into a higher or lower †gear in order to go faster or slower change (into/out of) gear

Change into second gear as you approach the corner.

### change up/down British English:

Change down before you get to the hill.

14. change your tune informal to start expressing a different attitude and reacting in a different way, after something has happened:

The question is, will the president change his tune on taxes?

15. WIND [intransitive] if the wind changes, it starts to blow in a different direction

**16. change your spots** to change your character completely:

US business has changed its spots in recent years.

⇒ chop and change at ¹chop¹(3)

# COLLOCATIONS

### adverbs

- dramatically /drastically/radically (=a lot) People's work environment has changed dramatically in the past twenty years.
- completely His life had completely changed since he met Anya.
- considerably He has changed considerably in four years.
- significantly The legal system has changed significantly since the rule was established.
- fundamentally The political situation has fundamentally changed.
- rapidly/quickly The market for phones is changing rapidly.
- slowly/gradually Things are gradually changing.
- change overnight (=very quickly) Old habits cannot be changed overnight.

# nouns

- changing circumstances/conditions The human brain adapts quickly to changing conditions.
- changing attitudes Changing attitudes cause traditional ways of life to disappear.
- the changing role of somebody the changing role of women in society
- changing patterns of work/behaviour etc Changing patterns of work mean that more people are able to work from home.
- a changing environment In order to survive, you must adapt to a changing environment.
- **a changing world** Children are growing up in a changing world.

changing times (=a period of time when a lot is changing) We live in changing times.

### **THESAURUS**

# to change something

- change to make someone or something different: Unfortunately, there's nothing we can do to change the situation. | Being at college has changed her she's much more confident now.
- alter especially written tochange something so that it is better or more suitable: You can alter the colour and size of the image using a remote control. | Can we alter the date of the meeting?
- **adapt** to change something slightly in order to improve it or make it more suitable: How much would it cost to adapt the existing equipment? I You can adapt the recipe to suit your own requirements.
- adjust to make small changes in the position or level of something in order to improve it or make it more suitable: How do you adjust the volume on the television? | He adjusted his tie in the mirror.
- modify especially written to make small changes to something such as a piece of equipment, a set of ideas, or a way of behaving in order to improve it or use it in a different way: He's modified his opinions since then. | a modified version of the original program.
- reform to change a law, system, organization etc so that it is fairer or more effective: plans to reform the tax system | Health care needs to be completely reformed.
- revise to change a plan, idea, law etc because of new information and ideas: In July, China revised the rules for foreign investment. | The findings could force the scientists to revise their ideas about climate change.
- reorganize to change the way that a system or organization works: We've had to reorganize our database | During the 1980s, the government reorganized the civil service.
- restructure to make big changes to the way something is organized, especially a large political or economic system or a big company, in order to make it more effective: The company has been restructured from top to bottom.

### to change something completely

- transform to change something completely, especially so that it is much better: Well, you've certainly transformed this place it looks great! | Putin transformed the Russian economy.
- revolutionize to completely and permanently change the way people do something or think about something, especially because of a new idea or invention: Computers have revolutionized the way we work. | This important discovery revolutionized our understanding of the universe.

# to change something in order to deceive people

- distort to explain facts, statements etc in a way that makes them seem different from what they really are: The judge said that she had deliberately tried to distort the facts. | Don't try to distort the truth.
- twist to dishonestly change the meaning of a piece of information or of something that someone has said, in order to get an advantage for yourself or to support your own opinion: He accused reporters of twisting his words. | In her article she twisted the meaning of what I said.
- misrepresent to give people a wrong idea about someone or their opinions, by what you write or say: I hope I have not misrepresented her opinion. I He's taking legal action to stop the film, claiming it grossly misrepresents him.

### change something →around phrasal verb

to move things into different positions:

When we'd changed the furniture around, the room looked bigger.

### change over phrasal verb

### to stop doing or using one thing and start doing or using another ⇒ **changeover**:

Complete all the exercises on one leg, then change over.

# change over to

We hope to change over to the new software by next month.

# II. change <sup>2</sup> S1 W1 BrE AmE noun

[Word Family: adjective: ↑changeable, ↑interchangeable, ↑changed ≠UNCHANGED, changing ≠ ↑unchanging, ↑changeless; noun: ↑change, ↑interchangeability; vertx ↑change, ↑interchange; advertx ↑interchangeabily]

- **1. THINGS BECOMING DIFFERENT** [uncountable and countable] the process or result of something or someone becoming different:

  I find it hard to cope with change.
  - scientists worried about climatic change

# change in

- changes in the immigration laws
- A change in personality may mean your teenager has a drug problem.

### change of

- a change of temperature
- No major changes were made to the book.

### change for the better/worse (=a change that makes a situation better or worse)

There was a change for the better in the patient's condition.

# social/political/economic etc change

- the sweeping political changes after the fall of communism
- She had a change of heart (=change in attitude) and decided to stay.
- Family life has <u>undergone</u> dramatic <u>change</u> in recent years.

# 2. FROM ONE THING TO ANOTHER [countable] the fact of one thing or person being replaced by another:

The car needs an oil change.

# change of

- a change of government
- a change of address

# change from something to something

- the gradual change from grasslands to true desert
- The government has made some major policy changes.
- 3. PLEASANT NEW SITUATION [singular] a situation or experience that is different from what happened before, and is usually interesting or enjoyable

# change from

The morning was cool; a <u>welcome</u> <u>change</u> from the heat of the day before.

#### for a change

How about dinner out for a change?

it/that makes a change (=used to say that something is better than and different from usual)

'Ron's buying the drinks.' 'That makes a change.'

change of scene/air/pace etc (=when you go to a different place or do something different)

The patients benefit greatly from a change of scenery.

a change is as good as a rest (-used to say that starting to do something different is as good as having a rest)

- 4. MONEY [uncountable]
- a) the money that you get back when you have paid for something with more money than it costs:

Here's your change, sir.

b) money in the form of coins, not paper money

### in change

- I have about a dollar in change.
- Matt emptied the <u>loose change</u> from his pockets.
- A beggar asked for some <u>spare change</u> (=coins that you do not need).
- c) coins or paper money that you give in exchange for the same amount of money in a larger unit change for £1/\$10

Excuse me, have you got change for a pound?

make change American English (=give someone change)

Can you make change for \$20?

### 5. small change

a) coins you have that do not have a high value:

I only had about a pound in small change.

b) used to emphasize that something is a small amount of money when it is compared to a larger amount:

The program costs \$20 million a year, small change by Washington standards.

- 6. change of clothes/underwear etc an additional set of clothes that you have with you, for example when you are travelling
- 7. TRAIN/BUS/AIRCRAFT [countable] a situation in which you get off one train, bus, or aircraft and get on another in order to continue your journey:

Even with a change of trains, the subway is quicker than a cab at rush hour.

8. get no change out of somebody British English spoken to get no useful information or help from someone:

I wouldn't bother asking Richard – you'll get no change out of him.

⇒ ring the changes at <sup>↑</sup>ring<sup>2</sup>(6)

### **COLLOCATIONS**

# adjectives

- big/major Going to a new school is a big change for children.
- slight/small/minor The proposed changes were relatively minor.
- gradual There has been a gradual change in the weather.
- dramatic/drastic/radical (=very big, especially in way that is surprising) The Industrial Revolution was a period of dramatic change.
- significant The change in blood pressure was not significant.
- marked (=very noticeable) There was a marked change in his behaviour.
- fundamental Reducing waste requires a fundamental change in attitude.
- social/political/economic etc change Demands for political and social change are growing.
- sweeping changes (=affecting many things or people, especially because of an official decision) There are likely to be sweeping changes in the company.
- far-reaching changes (=important and having a great effect that will last a long time) The Internet has brought about far-reaching changes in the way we work.

# **■**verbs

- make a change We've had to make some changes to the design.
- introduce a change A number of changes were introduced to the curriculum.
- bring (about) change (also effect a change formal) (=cause change) The war brought about radical social change. |
  Treatment is aimed at effecting a change in the child's negative behaviour.
- see/notice/observe a change I saw a big change in her when I met her again.
- undergo a change (=be affected by a change) The body undergoes a number of changes during this time.
- signal a change (=be a sign of a change) Does this move signal a change in US foreign policy?

#### phrases

• the pace/rate of change People sometimes feel alarmed by the pace of technological change.

# **THESAURUS**

• change noun [uncountable and countable] a situation in which someone or something becomes different, or the act of making something different: There was a sudden change in the weather. | We are living in a period of great change. | He was told to make some slight changes to his essay.

- alteration noun [uncountable and countable] a change, especially a small one that happens naturally or gradually, or one that is made in order to improve something: I noticed a slight alteration in her behaviour. They had to make some alterations to their original theory.
- **reform** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change made to a system or law in order to improve it: He called for a reform of our outdated voting system. | Many people opposed the economic reforms.
- **shift** *noun* [countable] a change, especially in people's attitudes or in the way they do things, or in the position of someone or **something**: a shift in public opinion about the war | There has been a noticeable shift in government policy on education. | There needs to be a major shift away from road transport to rail transport. | After he died, there was a dramatic shift in the balance of power.
- **swing** a big change, especially in someone's opinions or moods: There has been a big swing toward the Democrats (=many more people are supporting them). | The drug can cause mood swings.
- fluctuation noun [uncountable and countable] a change in something used when something changes often: fluctuations in the value of the dollar | temperature fluctuations | fluctuations in his mood | There has been some fluctuation in productivity levels.

# a great change

- transformation *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change in which something or someone becomes completely different: There has been a complete transformation in his attitude since he became a father. | her transformation from shy local girl to famous movie actress
- **revolution** *noun* [countable] a complete change in ways of thinking or working: The 1970s saw the beginnings of a new technological revolution. | Einstein's General Theory of Relativity started a revolution in scientific thinking.
- **shake-up** *noun* [countable] a situation in which a lot of changes are very quickly made in a system or organization in order to make it more effective: The department has not performed well and is badly in need of a shake-up. | The Administration is planning a thorough shake-up of the welfare system.
- **U-turn** *noun* [countable] a complete change in the plans of a government or political party so that it decides to do the opposite of what it originally said it would do: The government was forced to do a U-turn after angry protests about their taxation policy.

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