

lad

1. 1) мальчик, юноша, парень; малый

lads and lasses - молодые люди и девушки

2) *разг.* парень (о *взрослом*)

just you wait, my lad! - ну погоди, парень /друг! /

he's a good lad - он хороший человек, он молодец

one of the lads - свой парень

courage, my lads! - смелей, ребята!

2. *разг.* лихой, бойкий парень; молодчина, молодчага

a regular lad - рубаха-парень

a bit of a lad - парень не промах

◇ the lads of the village - а) деревенские парни; б) шайка воров, действующая в определённом районе

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lad [lad lads] BrE [læd] ¹ NAmE [læd] ² noun

1. **countable** (old-fashioned or informal, BrE) a boy or young man

• Things have changed since I was a lad.

• He's a nice lad.

• Hurry up, lad.

compare ↑lass

2. **the lads plural** (BrE, informal) a group of friends that a man works with or spends free time with

• to go to the pub with the lads

3. **countable, usually singular** (BrE, informal) a lively young man, especially one who is very interested in women and having sex, drinks a lot of alcohol and enjoys sport

• Tony was **a bit of a lad** — always had an eye for the women.

see also ↑laddish

4. **countable** (BrE) a person who works in a stable

see also ↑stable boy

Word Origin:

Middle English: of unknown origin.

Example Bank:

• They're a nice bunch of lads.

• He's a nice lad.

• He's a strapping lad— already bigger than his father.

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lad S2 W3 /læd/ BrE ¹ AmE ² noun [countable] British English

[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: Perhaps from a Scandinavian language]

1. **old-fashioned informal** a boy or young man ⇨ **lass**:

• a **young lad**

• Things were different when I was a lad.

2. **the lads spoken** a group of male friends that a man works with or spends his free time with:

• a night out with the lads

one of the lads (=a member of your group of friends)

3. **a bit of a lad spoken** a man that people like even though he behaves rather badly:

• That Chris is a bit of a lad, isn't he?

4. **lad culture informal** the way in which some young men behave, involving typically male activities such as drinking a lot of alcohol, driving fast cars, and watching football – used to show disapproval

5. (also **stable lad**) a boy or man who works with horses **SYN stable boy**

⇨ ↑Jack the Lad

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THESAURUS

▪ **man** an adult male human: a young man | Sir Edmund Hillary was the first man to climb Mount Everest.

▪ **guy** (also **bloke/chap British English**) **informal** a man: She'd arranged to meet a guy in the bar. | Alex is a really nice bloke.

▪ **gentleman formal** a man – used as a very polite way of talking about a man: an elderly gentleman | Please could you serve this gentleman?

▪ **boy** a young male person, usually a child or a teenager: a teenage boy

▪ **lad old-fashioned informal** a boy or young man: When I was a young lad, I wanted to join the army.

▪ **youth** a teenage boy or young man – used especially in news reports to show disapproval: Gangs of youths roam the streets.

▪ **male formal** a man – used especially by the police or in science and research contexts. The adjective **male** is much more common than the noun: We are investigating the death of an unidentified male. | The condition is usually found only in males.

▪ **dude American English informal** a man - a very informal use: You could tell there was something creepy going on with that dude.

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