

bible [bible bibles] *BrE* ['baɪbl] ^ˌ *NAmE* ['baɪbl] ^ˌ noun

1. **the Bible** *singular* the holy book of the Christian religion, consisting of the Old Testament and the New Testament
2. **the Bible** *singular* the holy book of the Jewish religion, consisting of the Torah (or Law), the **Prophets** and the Writings
3. *countable* a copy of the holy book of the Christian or Jewish religion
4. *countable* a book containing important information on a subject, that you refer to very often
 - the stamp-collector's bible

Word Origin:

Middle English: via Old French from ecclesiastical Latin **biblia**, from Greek (ta) **biblia** '(the) books', from **biblion** 'book', originally a diminutive of **biblos** 'papyrus, scroll', of Semitic origin.

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