

calm1. [kɑ:m] *n*

1. 1) безветрие; тишь
- 2) *мор.* штиль, зеркальное море
calm before the storm - затишье перед бурей
2. тишина, покой
3. спокойствие, невозмутимость (*человека*)
he said so with forced calm - он сказал это неестественноспокойно /с напускным спокойствием/

2. [kɑ:m] *a*

1. 1) безветренный тихий (*о погоде и т. п.*)
- 2) спокойный (*о море и т. п.*)
- 3) ровный (*о пульсе*)
2. спокойный, тихий; мирный; невозмутимый (*о человеке*)
pray, be calm! - пожалуйста, успокойтесь!
3. *разг.* самоуверенный, развязный
it was rather calm of him - с его стороны это было довольно нескромно

3. [kɑ:m] *v* (*мж.* calm down)

- 1) успокаивать; умиротворять; утихомиривать
to calm oneself - успокаиваться
calm yourself! - успокойтесь
mother calmed the frightened baby - мать успокоила испуганного ребёнка
- 2) успокаиваться
the storm ceased and the sea calmed - море затихло после бури

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calm [kɑlm kɑlms kɑlmed kɑlming kɑlmer kɑlmeɪt] *adjective, verb, noun BrE*[kɑl̩m] ^m *NAmE* [kɑl̩m] ^m*adjective* (calm-er, calm-est)

1. not excited, nervous or upset
 - It is important to **keep calm** in an emergency.
 - Try to **remain calm**.
 - Her voice was surprisingly calm.
 - The city is calm again (= free from trouble and fighting) after yesterday's riots.
2. (*of the sea*) without large waves
3. (*of the weather*) without wind
 - a calm, cloudless day

Word Origin:late Middle English: via one of the Romance languages from Greek *kauma* 'heat (of the day)'.Thesaurus:**calm** *adj.*

• Keep calm in an emergency.

cool • **relaxed** • **placid** • **composed** • **controlled** • **unperturbed** • **unfazed** • **easy-going** • **patient** • |informal
laid-back • |sometimes disapproving **casual** •**Opp:** agitated, **Opp:** excitablecalm/cool/easy-going/patient/laid-back/casual **about** stha/an calm/cool/relaxed/controlled/easy-going/laid-back/casual **manner**a calm/cool/relaxed/placid/controlled **voice****Calm, cool or relaxed ? Relaxed** describes how you feel about sth. **Cool** is used more to describe how sb behaves: they don't let their feelings affect their behaviour. **Calm** can describe feelings or behaviour.Thesaurus:**calm** *noun*1. *U, sing.*

• in the calm of the evening

peace • **quiet** • **hush** • **silence** • |especially BrE **tranquillity** • |AmE usually **tranquility** •
absolute/total/relative calm/peace/quiet/silence/tranquillitya **sudden** calm/quiet/hush/silence**break** the calm/peace/quiet/silence2. *U, sing.*

• The police appealed for calm.

peace • **order** •an **uneasy** calm/peace**relative/comparative** calm/peacecalm/peace/order **prevails**Example Bank:

• Her voice was firm and perfectly calm.

- I may have appeared calm but I certainly didn't feel it.
- Keep the patient calm.
- She seemed pretty calm about it.
- Sit down and keep calm!
- The pain had receded and he felt curiously calm.
- The pilot urged the passengers to remain calm.
- The sea was dead calm.
- The voice sounded outwardly calm.
- You seem remarkably calm.
- flat calm conditions
- He spoke in a reassuringly calm voice.
- She handled the situation with calm assurance.
- Strangely, she felt quite calm about it.
- The city is calm again after yesterday's riots.
- The golden rule of first aid is to stay calm.
- The oars dipped in the calm water.
- The talks took place in a calm and serious atmosphere.

Idiom: ↑**calm before the storm**

Derived Words ↑**calmly** ▪ ↑**calmness**

Derived ↑**calm down** ▪ ↑**calm somebody down**

verb ~ sb/sth

to make sb/sth become quiet and more relaxed, especially after strong emotion or excitement

- Have some tea; it'll calm your nerves.
- His presence had **a calming influence** .

see also ↑**traffic calming**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	calm
	BrE /kɑ:m/
	NAmE /kɑ:m/
he / she /it	calms
	BrE /kɑ:mz/
	NAmE /kɑ:mz/
past simple, past participle	calmed
	BrE /kɑ:md/
	NAmE /kɑ:md/
-ing form	calming
	BrE /kɑ:mɪŋ/
	NAmE /kɑ:mɪŋ/

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Thesaurus:

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- Have a drink to calm your nerves.

soothe • • **calm sb down** • • **pacify** • • **placate** • |formal, usually disapproving **appease** •

Opp: agitate

calm/soothe/calm down/pacify/placate/appease sb **with** sth

calm/soothe **your nerves**

Example Bank:

- Have some brandy; it'll calm your nerves.

noun countable, uncountable

1. a quiet and peaceful time or situation

- the calm of a summer evening
- The police **appealed for calm** .

2. a quiet and relaxed manner

- Her previous calm gave way to terror.
- Alex spoke with studied calm.

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Which Word?:

calm / calmness

The noun calm is usually used to talk about a peaceful time or situation: ▪ There was a short period of uneasy calm after the riot. It can also be used to describe a person's manner: ▪ She spoke with icy calm. Calmness is usually used to talk about a person: ▪ We admired his calmness under pressure.

Example Bank:

- 'I'm calling the police!' he stated with deadly calm.
- After the bomb, an uneasy calm settled on the city.
- Calm had been restored to the capital.
- He struggled to maintain his calm as they waited.
- Seals basked on boulders in a flat calm.
- She felt not fear, but a kind of dead calm.
- The calm was shattered by the sound of an explosion.
- The government appealed for calm after the riots broke out.
- The water was a dead calm.
- Under his apparent calm lay real anxiety.
- With a forced calm she said, 'How do you know?'
- the pursuit of inner calm
- An uneasy calm descended on the streets.
- Many children regarded their school as an oasis of calm away from the war-torn streets.
- The elections took place in an atmosphere of relative calm.
- The police appealed for calm.
- We sat together for a while in the calm of the evening
- We took this to be the calm before the storm.

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I. **calm**¹ **S3 W3** /kɑːm, kɑːlm/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **adjective** (comparative **calmer**, superlative **calmest**)

[Word Family: noun: ↑calm, ↑calmness; verb: ↑calm; adverb: ↑calmly; adjective: ↑calm]

1. relaxed and quiet, not angry, nervous, or upset:

" Glen was calm and composed at the funeral.

remain/stay/keep calm

" I tried to stay calm and just ignore him.

2. if a place, period of time, or situation is calm, there is less activity, trouble etc than there sometimes is, or than there has been recently:

" The financial markets are calm at the moment.

" The streets are calm again after last night's disturbances.

3. a sea, lake etc that is calm is smooth or has only gentle waves:

" The seas were dead calm.

—calmly *adverb*

—calmness *noun* [uncountable]

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• **calm** not getting angry, nervous, or upset, even in a difficult situation: We'll talk about this later when you're feeling calmer. | Everyone praised Douglas for the calm way in which he handled the situation.

• **relaxed** not worried about anything, especially so that people feel comfortable: Looking relaxed and confident, the president answered questions from the press. | There was a relaxed atmosphere.

• **chilled-out** (also **chilled**) *informal* very relaxed and not worried – used especially by young people: I'm much more chilled-out about the whole thing this year.

• **laid-back** *informal* someone who is laid-back is always relaxed and never seems to get worried or annoyed about anything: I like his laid-back attitude to life. | My parents are pretty laid-back and don't mind me staying out late.

• **mellow** *informal* relaxed, friendly, and happy, especially after drinking alcohol: After a few drinks, everyone was pretty mellow.

• **cool** *informal* staying calm and not showing your emotions, especially when other people are getting excited or angry: He is the kind of player who always manages to stay cool, even under pressure. | She was as cool as a cucumber (=very cool).

• **keep your head** to manage to stay calm and behave in a sensible way in a difficult or frightening situation: In this job you need to be good at keeping your head in a crisis.

II. **calm**² *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **noun** [singular, uncountable]

[Word Family: noun: ↑calm, ↑calmness; verb: ↑calm; adverb: ↑calmly; adjective: ↑calm]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: calme, from Late Latin cauma 'heat', because everything is quiet and still in the heat of the middle part of the day]

1. a situation or time that is quiet and peaceful

calm of

" They remained on the terrace after dinner, enjoying the calm of the evening.

morning/afternoon/evening calm

" A scream shattered the late afternoon calm.

" Hindu leaders appealed for calm (=asked that the public stay calm) after a temple was burnt to the ground.

" The presence of soldiers helped restore calm.

" The last five years have seen a period of relative calm.

2. **the calm before the storm** a calm peaceful situation that will not continue because a big argument, problem etc is coming

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• **peace** a situation in which there is no war or fighting: There has been peace in the region for six years now.

▪ **truce** an agreement to stop fighting or arguing with each other for a limited period of time: The rebels have ended a 17-month-old truce. | He called for a truce between Israeli and Palestinian forces. | There was an uneasy truce between Lily and Stephen at dinner.

▪ **ceasefire** an agreement to stop fighting for a limited period of time, especially in order to discuss making peace: The two sides agreed to a ceasefire which would come into force immediately.

▪ **armistice** a formal agreement to stop fighting a war and to discuss making peace: The Korean armistice was signed in July 1953.

▪ **calm** a situation in which there is no violence, argument, or protest: Attempts by the police to restore calm in the area failed.

III. **calm**³ *BrE*³ *AmE*³ (also **calm down**) *verb* [intransitive and transitive]

[Word Family: noun: ↑calm, ↑calmness; verb: ↑calm; adverb: ↑calmly; adjective: ↑calm]

1. to become quiet and relaxed after you have been angry, excited, nervous, or upset, or to make someone become quiet and relaxed:

▪ He tried to calm the frightened children.

▪ Calm down and tell me what happened.

▪ We tried to calm people's fears.

calm yourself (down)

▪ She lit a cigarette to calm herself down.

2. if a situation calms down, it becomes easier to deal with because there are fewer problems and it is not as busy as it was before:

▪ It took months for things to calm down after we had the baby.

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■ not moving

▪ **still** not moving – use this especially about people who are not moving, or about places where there is no wind: There was no wind and the trees were completely still. | Keep still while I tie your shoes.

▪ **stationary** not moving – use this about cars, trains, or objects: The truck swerved and hit a stationary vehicle.

▪ **immobile** not moving or not able to move, especially because of fear or tiredness: As the disease progressed, she became increasingly immobile.

▪ **motionless** completely still – used especially in literature: Kemp sat motionless as the verdict was read.

▪ **calm** not moving because there is no wind – use this about air and water: The lake was calm.

▪ **be at a standstill** if traffic is at a standstill it is not moving: Traffic was at a standstill on the motorway.

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Frequency Pack

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calmness 316

calmer 709

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COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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