

# grief

[gri:f] *n*

## 1. горе; печаль

great [mortal] grief - большое [ужасное] горе  
 secret grief - тайная печаль  
 plunged in grief - охваченный горем  
 mad with grief - обезумевший от горя  
 prostrate by grief - сражённый горем  
 surrendered to grief - во власти горя  
 in an agony of grief - снедаемый тоской /печалью/  
 to learn to one's grief - узнать на свою беду  
 to give way to grief - предаваться отчаянию  
 to suffer grief the loss (of smb.) - оплакивать утрату (кого-л.)  
 to be driven mad by grief - с ума сходить от горя  
 to die of grief - умереть от горя  
 to cause smb. grief - причинять кому-л. горе  
 grief consumed him - его снедала печаль

## 2. огорчение, причина огорчения

to be a grief to smb. - огорчать кого-л., являться поводом для чьего-л. огорчения  
 his conduct was a grief to his family - своим поведением он причинял много горя родным

◇ good grief! - ≅ боже мой! (*выражает изумление*)

to come to grief - а) попасть в беду /в затруднительное положение/; б) потерпеть неудачу, плохо кончить; drive slower or you will come to grief - поезжай медленней, не то разобьёшься; в) провалиться (*о планах*); г) *спорт.* потерпеть поражение; упасть

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**grief** [gri:f] *BrE* [gri:f] *NAmE* [gri:f] *noun*

## 1. uncountable, countable ~ (over/at sth) a feeling of great sadness, especially when sb dies

- She was overcome with grief when her husband died.
- They were able to share their common joys and griefs.

## 2. countable, usually singular something that causes great sadness

- It was a grief to them that they had no children.

## 3. uncountable (informal) problems and worry

- He caused his parents a lot of grief.

Idioms: ↑come to grief ▪ ↑give somebody grief ▪ ↑good grief!

### Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **grief**, from **grever** 'to burden', based on Latin **gravare** from **gravis** 'heavy, grave'.

### Thesaurus:

**grief** *noun* U, C

- He was overcome with grief at his wife's death.

**sadness** • **unhappiness** • **regret** • **heartache** • **heartbreak** • **formal sorrow** • **literary melancholy** •

**Opp:** joy

grief/sadness/unhappiness/regret/heartache/heartbreak/sorrow/melancholy **at/about/over** sth

be **filled with/full of/overcome with** grief/sadness/unhappiness/regret/heartache/heartbreak/sorrow/melancholy

**express/show/hide** your grief/sadness/unhappiness/regret/sorrow

### Example Bank:

- He feels that he can't share his grief with anyone.
- Her parents were stricken with grief.
- I felt awkward at intruding on their private grief.
- She understood my grief because she too had lost a child.
- Such behaviour can cause considerable grief.
- They are still struggling to come to terms with their grief.
- grief over the loss of a friend's life
- her grief for her dead husband
- She was stricken with grief when her husband died.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**grief** /gri:f/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun*

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: grief, from Latin gravis; ⇨ ↑grave]

## 1. [uncountable] extreme sadness, especially because someone you love has died

**grief over/at**

The grief she felt over Helen's death was almost unbearable.

**with grief**

Charles was overcome with grief.

## 2. [countable] something that makes you feel extremely sad:

Every change in our lives brings with it griefs.

## 3. good grief! *spoken* used when you are slightly surprised or annoyed:

Good grief! What a mess!

4. **come to grief** to fail, or to be harmed or destroyed in an accident:  
" candidates who come to grief in exams
5. **give somebody grief** *informal* to criticize someone in an annoying way
6. **[uncountable] informal** trouble or problems:  
" You'll save yourself a lot of grief if you check the measurements first.

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## THESAURUS

- **sadness** a sad feeling, caused especially when a happy time is ending, or when you feel sorry about someone else's unhappiness: Charles felt a great sense of sadness and loss. | I noticed a little sadness in her eyes.
- **unhappiness** the unhappy feeling you have when you are in a very difficult or unpleasant situation, especially when this lasts for a long time: After years of unhappiness, she finally decided to leave him. | She was a tense, nervous young woman, whose deep unhappiness was obvious to all those around her. | You do not know how much pain and unhappiness you have caused.
- **sorrow** *written* the feeling of being very sad, especially because someone has died or because terrible things have happened to you: There seemed to be nowhere to go to be alone with her sorrow. | His heart was filled with great sorrow after her death.
- **misery** great unhappiness, caused especially by living or working in very bad conditions: The cold weather is with us again and the misery of the homeless is increasing. | Thousands of families were destined to a life of misery. | The misery and pain he caused were, for him, merely a measure of his success.
- **despair** a feeling of great unhappiness, because very bad things have happened and you have no hope that anything will change: At the end of the month, she still had no job and was tired, frustrated, and close to despair.
- **grief** great sadness that you feel when someone you love has died: He was overcome with grief when his wife died.
- **heartache** a strong feeling of great sadness, especially because you miss someone you love: She remembered the heartache of the first Christmas spent away from her sons.
- **depression** a mental illness that makes someone feel so unhappy that they have no energy or hope for the future, and they cannot live a normal life: He slipped into a depression in which he hardly ate or even left his room.
- **despondency** *formal* a feeling of being very unhappy and without hope: She felt useless, and this contributed to her despondency.
- **melancholy** *literary* a feeling of sadness, that you feel even though there is no particular reason for it: Modigliani expressed his melancholy through his painting.

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