

# massage

I

1. [ˈmæsɑːʒ] *n*  
 массаж  
 massage parlour - а) кабинет массажа; б) *эфф.* публичный дом
2. [ˈmæsɑːʒ] *v*
  1. делать массаж, массировать
  2. *вчт.* сжимать, уплотнять (*данные*)

II

[ˈmæsɑːʒ] *v*  
 муссировать

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**mas·sage** [massage massages massaged massaging] *noun, verb* *BrE* [ˈmæsɑːʒ]

*AmE* [məˈsɑːʒ]

*noun* **uncountable, countable**

the action of rubbing and pressing a person's body with the hands to reduce pain in the muscles and joints

- Massage will help the pain.
- a back massage
- to give sb a massage
- massage oils
- Once a week I have a sauna and a massage.

Word Origin:

late 19th cent.: from French, from **masser** 'knead, treat with massage', probably from Portuguese **amassar** 'knead', from **massa** 'dough'.

Example Bank:

- The physiotherapist gave me a massage to ease the pain.
- They managed to revive the injured driver with cardiac massage.

*verb*

1. ~ **sth** to rub and press a person's body with the hands to reduce pain in the muscles and joints
  - He massaged the aching muscles in her feet.
  - (*figurative*) to massage sb's ego (= to make sb feel better, more confident, attractive, etc.)
2. ~ **sth into sth** to rub a substance into the skin, hair, etc
  - Massage the cream into your skin.
3. ~ **sth** (*disapproving*) to change facts, figures, etc. in order to make them seem better than they really are
  - The government was accused of massaging the unemployment figures.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	massage
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmæsɑːʒ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /məˈsɑːʒ/
he / she / it	massages
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmæsɑːʒɪz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /məˈsɑːʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	massaged
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmæsɑːʒd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /məˈsɑːʒd/
-ing form	massaging
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈmæsɑːʒɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /məˈsɑːʒɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- Gently massage the cream into your skin.
- He massaged her back with scented oil.
- Massage it lightly with your fingertips.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

I. **mas·sage** 1 /ˈmæsɑːʒ \$ məˈsɑːʒ/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [uncountable and countable]

[Date: 1800-1900; Language: French; Origin: masser 'to massage', from Arabic massa 'to stroke']



the action of pressing and rubbing someone's body with your hands, to help them relax or to reduce pain in their muscles or joints:

- " Massage helps ease the pain.
- " Why don't you have a massage?
- " Joan gave me a gentle neck massage.

**body/shoulder/foot etc massage**

- " A full-body massage lasts around one hour.

**II. massage**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* " *AmE* " *verb* [transitive]

1. to press and rub someone's body with your hands, to help them relax or to reduce pain in their muscles:

- " Alex massaged Helena's aching back.

**massage something into something**

- " Gently massage the lotion into your skin.

2. to change official numbers or information in order to make them seem better than they are – used in order to show disapproval

**SYN cook the books:**

- " Myers accused the government of deliberately massaging the unemployment figures.

3. **massage sb's ego** to try to make someone feel that they are important, attractive, intelligent etc:

- " The portrait painter had the power to massage the king's ego or to expose his flaws.

**massage**

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 487 **26759**<sup>675</sup> *vv0*  
 216 **49258**<sup>229</sup> *vvi*