

# trigger

## 1. [ˈtrɪɡə] n

1. *тех.* собачка; защёлка
2. 1) *воен.* спусковой крючок, механизм  
 light trigger - мягкий спуск  
 hard on the trigger - с жёстким спуском  
 to press the trigger - нажать на спусковой крючок  
 to release /to let go, to pull/ the trigger - спустить курок [*см. тж.* ◇ ]
- 2) фактор, играющий роль пускового механизма; стимул  
 violent movies are potential triggers for juvenile delinquency - фильмы со сценами насилия могут сыграть роль пусковых механизмов для правонарушений среди несовершеннолетних  
 the odour of food may be a trigger for salivation - запах пищи может вызвать слюноотделение /выделение слюны/
3. *элк.* триггер; пусковая схема
4. *спец.* ядерный инициатор ядерный заряд (*в термоядерной бомбе и т. п.*)  
 ◇ easy on the trigger - *амер.* вспыльчивый, легко возбудимый  
 quick on the trigger - импульсивный, быстро реагирующий  
 to pull the trigger - пустить в ход, привести в движение [*см. тж.* 2, 1)]

## 2. [ˈtrɪɡə] v

1. *воен.*  
 1) спускать курок; приводить в действие спусковой механизм *или* взрыватель  
 to trigger a rifle - спустить курок ружья
- 2) играть роль пускового механизма
2. инициировать, вызывать (*что-л.*), дать начало (*чему-л.*) (*тж.* trigger off)  
 to trigger rain - вызывать дождь  
 to trigger off war - развязать войну  
 to trigger off a political storm - вызвать политическую бурю  
 a spark triggered the explosion - искра вызвала взрыв  
 a single neutron may trigger a chain reaction - один нейтрон может вызвать цепную реакцию  
 letters to the editor trigger the press - письма в газету заставляют её действовать

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**trigger** *AW* [trigger triggers triggered triggering] **noun, verb** *BrE* [ˈtrɪɡə(r)]<sup>1</sup>

*NAmE* [ˈtrɪɡər]<sup>1</sup>

**noun**

1. the part of a gun that you press in order to fire it
  - to **pull/squeeze the trigger**
  - He kept his finger on the trigger.
2. ~ (for sth) | ~ (to sth/to do sth) something that is the cause of a particular reaction or development, especially a bad one
  - The trigger for the strike was the closure of yet another factory.
  - Intense sunlight may be a trigger to skin cancer.
3. the part of a bomb that causes it to explode
  - nuclear triggers

### Word Origin:

early 17th cent.: from dialect tricker, from Dutch **trekker**, from **trekken** 'to pull'.

**verb**

1. ~ **sth (off)** to make sth happen suddenly  
**Syn:** †set off
  - Nuts can trigger off a violent allergic reaction.
2. ~ **sth** to cause a device to start functioning  
**Syn:** †set off
  - to trigger an alarm

### Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	trigger
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈtrɪɡə(r) /
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈtrɪɡər /
he / she / it	triggers
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈtrɪɡəz /
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈtrɪɡəz /
past simple, past participle	triggered
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈtrɪɡəd /
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈtrɪɡəd /
-ing form	triggering
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈtrɪɡərɪŋ /
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈtrɪɡərɪŋ /

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### Example Bank:

- A wide range of emotionally stressful events may trigger a relapse.
- An influx of refugees has triggered disturbances.
- Even the smell of oranges can trigger her migraine.
- He suffers from a brain disorder that can trigger off convulsive fits.
- The burglars fled after triggering the alarm.

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I. **trigger**<sup>1</sup> AC /'trɪgə \$ -ər/ BrE " AmE " noun [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Dutch; Origin: trekker, from Middle Dutch trecken 'to pull', ⇒ †trek<sup>2</sup>]



1. the part of a gun that you pull with your finger to fire it

**pull/squeeze the trigger**

He took aim and squeezed the trigger.

2. **be the trigger (point) (for something)** to be the thing that quickly causes a serious problem:

The hijacking became a trigger point for military action.

II. **trigger**<sup>2</sup> AC BrE " AmE " (also **trigger off**) verb [transitive]

1. to make something happen very quickly, especially a series of events:

The assassination triggered off a wave of rioting.

Certain forms of mental illness can be triggered by food allergies.

**trigger a memory** (=make you suddenly remember something)

His action triggered a massive response from the government.

2. to make something such as a bomb or electrical system start to operate **SYN set off**:

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### THESAURUS

- **cause** to make something happen, especially something bad: Bad weather has caused a lot of problems on the roads. | The fault caused the whole computer system to shut down.
- **make somebody/something do something** to cause someone to do something, or cause something to happen. **Make** is less formal than **cause**, and is the usual word to use in everyday English: What made you decide to become a teacher? | I 'm sorry, I didn't mean to make you cry. | Gravity is the force which makes the planets move round the Sun.
- **be responsible for something** if someone or something is responsible for something bad, they caused it to happen: The excessive heat was responsible for their deaths. | A small militant group was responsible for the bombing.
- **bring about something** to make something happen – used especially about changes or improvements: The Internet has brought about enormous changes in society. | It 's important that we do everything we can to bring about peace.
- **result in something** if an action or event results in something, it makes that thing happen: The fire resulted in the deaths of two children. | The decision is likely to result in a large number of job losses.
- **lead to something** to cause something to happen eventually after a period of time: The information led to several arrests. | A poor diet in childhood can lead to health problems later in life.
- **trigger** if one event triggers another, it suddenly makes the second event happen: The incident triggered a wave of violence. | An earthquake off Java's southern coast triggered a tsunami.
- **precipitate formal** to make a very serious event happen very suddenly, which will affect a lot of people: The withdrawal of foreign investment would precipitate an economic crisis. | The assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand precipitated World War I .

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12500 **5370**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **2387**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **3k** TRI **GGER**<sup>2887</sup>

trigger 6896

triggered 3439

triggering 992

triggers 1560

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

2749 **7985**<sup>4221</sup> **nn1**

1949 **12710**<sup>2191</sup> *vvj*

439 **33119**<sup>468</sup> *vv0*

13 **201228**<sup>16</sup> *np1*

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