## drive

# 1. [draɪv] n

#### 1. 1) езда

full drive - а) на полной скорости; б) полным ходом within two hour's drive of Oxford - в двух часах езды до Оксфорда a drive of 100 kilometres - пробег в сто километров

## 2) прогулка, катание (в экипаже, машине); поездка

to go for a drive - поехать (по)кататься

- 2. 1) подъездная дорога, аллея
- 2) дорога для экипажей
- 3) просека
- 3. гон, гоньба, преследование (неприятеля, зверя и т. п.)

## 4. воен. наступление; атака, удар

a massive export drive in African markets - массированное экспортное наступление на африканские рынки

Arab diplomatic drive in Europe - дипломатические инициативы арабов в Европе

#### 5. гонка, спешка

armament(s) drive - гонка вооружений

the constant drive of work - постоянная спешка в работе

## 6. 1) амер. (общественная) кампания

membership drive - кампания по привлечению новых членов (в партию и т. п.) economy drive - поход за экономию; борьба за режим экономии drive for signatures - кампания по сбору подписей drive to raise funds - кампания по сбору средств to put on a drive - начать кампанию

#### 2) стремление

a drive for self-affirmation - стремление к самоутверждению drive for power - борьба за власть

#### 7. энергия, напористость

his style has drive - у него энергичный стиль what he lacked in physical size he more than made up in sheer drive and determination - свой маленький рост он с избытком компенсировал исключительной напористостью и решительностью

#### 8. стимул, побуждение, внутренний импульс

#### 9. тенденция, направление

liberal economic drive - либеральные тенденции в экономике

#### 10. амер. разг. распродажа товаров по низким ценам

11. 1) сплав леса

#### 2) сплавной лес

12. 1) удар (по мячу); драйв (теннис, крикет)

## 2) толчок (лёгкая атлетика)

#### 13. 1) тех. привод, передача

front wheel drive - *авт.* привод на передние колёса electric drive - электрический привод flexible drive - привод с гибким валом

#### 2) вчт. дисковод; лентопротяжноеустройство, лентопротяжный механизм

tape drive - привод лентопротяжногоустройства

14. горн. штрек

# 15. дека (магнитофон без усилителя)

## 2. [draiv] v (drove; driven)

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# 1. 1) водить, вести, править; управлять

- to drive a car [a train] вести машину [состав]
- to drive a pair править парой
- to drive one's own carriage иметь собственный выезд

# 2) ездить, ехать

- to drive in a car [to London] ехать на машине [в Лондон]
- to drive to one's door подъехать к двери дома
- to drive on the right (of the road) держаться правой стороны (дороги)

## 3) водить машину; управлять лошадью

- to learn to drive научиться водить машину
- to drive recklessly лихо водить машину, быть лихачом
- to drive like mad гнать как сумасшедший /во весь опор/
- to drive to the public danger  $\cong$  нарушать все правила дорожной безопасности

# to drive to the bit - *спорт.* взять лошадь на повод

# 4) быть хорошим или плохим в эксплуатации (о машине)

the car drives well - (эту) машину легко водить, эта машина (хорошо) слушается руля 2 1) гнать

- 2. 1) гнать
- to drive cattle гнать скот

to drive smb. from /out of/ the house - выгнать кого-л. из дому [*ср. тж.* II Б 3, 2)]

# 2) отбрасывать, теснить

to drive the enemy from his positions - выбить противника с позиций

to drive the enemy down the hill - сбросить противника с высоты

to drive the invaders across the border - изгнать интервентовза пределы страны /со своей земли/

#### 3) гнать; рассеивать

to drive the image out of one's head - гнать от себя /стараться забыть/ этот образ his words drove all doubts from my mind - его слова рассеяли все мои сомнения

#### 3. 1) гнать, нести, перемещать

the wind is driving the clouds - ветер гонит тучи the waves drove the ship upon the rocks - волны вынесли корабль на скалы the ship was driven ashore - корабль был выброшен на берег

#### 2) нестись; налетать; перемещаться

the rain was driving against the window-panes - дождь барабанил в окна the snow was driving against the walls - стены заметало снегом

the rain drove faster every minute - с каждой минутой дождь усиливался

#### 4. нестись, мчаться

the ship drove across the waves - корабль резал волну

he droverudely past her into the room - оттолкнув её, он влетел/ворвался/ в комнату

to drive to accelerate - спорт. бежать с ускорением

to drive for the tape - спорт. заканчивать дистанцию; финишировать

to drive into the curve - спорт. войти в поворот

## 5. 1) загонять, забивать, вбивать; вонзать

to drive a rivet - посадить заклёпку

to drive a wedge - а) вбить клин; б) воен. вклиниться

to drive a nail home /to the head/ - a) загнать гвоздь по самую шляпку; б) довести дело до конца, урегулировать (*что-л.*) to drive bullets straight - посылать пули точно в цель

#### 2) входить, вонзаться

the nail won't drive - гвоздь никак не забьёшь

#### 6. 1) подгонять

to drive a committee - подгонять /торопиты комиссию /комитет/

# 2) перегружать; заваливать работой

don't drive me too hard - раза. не наседай /не нажимай/ на меня

## 7. разг. затягивать, оттягивать

to drive smth. to the last minute - затянуть что-л до последней минуты

#### IΙΑ

#### 1. 1) преследовать, гнать (зверя)

to drive game - преследовать /загонять/ дичь

## 2) гнать, сплавлять (лес)

2. вести (дело и т. п.)

to drive a trade - вести торговлю

to drive a bargain - заключить сделку

## 3. 1) проводить, прокладывать (дорогу и т. п.)

to drive a railroad through the desert - провести железную дорогу через пустыню

## 2) горн. проходить (горизонтальную выработку)

3) горн. бурить (скважину)

#### 4. ловить дрифтернойсетью (рыбу)

### 5. нагнетать, напускать (воду, газ и т. п.)

to drive water into the bath - напускать воду в ванну (под большим напором)

#### 6. спорт.

- 1) ударять (по мячу)
- 2) отбивать драйвом (мяч)
- 7. крутить (обруч, серсо)
- IIБ

1. to drive smb., smth. to a place подвозить, отвозить кого-л., что-л куда-л. to drive smb. home - подвезти кого-л. домой

- 2. to have smb. smth. driven to a place отправлятького-л., что-л. куда-л.
- to have luggage driven to the station отправить багаж на станцию (машиной)

## 3. 1) to drive smb. into a place загонять кого-л. куда-л.

to drive smb. into a corner - загнать кого-л. в угол; *перен. тж.* поставить кого-л. в безвыходное положение

#### 2) to drive smb., out of a place выгонять, выживать кого-л. откуда-л. to drive smb. out of a flat - выжить кого-л. из квартиры the poise would drive you gut of the place. Усе со учите в то со учите со учите

the noise would drive you out of the place - из-за шума вы сами оттуда сбежите

- to drive smb. out of a market вытеснить кого-л. с рынка
- 4. to drive a place for smb., smth. устраивать облаву где-л., прочёсывать какую-л. местность to drive a wood for a tiger устроить в лесу облаву на тигра
- 5. to drive smb. to smth. /to do smth./ заставить, вынудить кого-л. сделать что-л to drive smb. to a decision /to take a decision/ вынудить кого-л. принять решение he was driven to steal by hunger голод заставил его пойти на воровство he won't /can't/ be driven он не из тех, кого можно принудить; его не заставишь сделать то, что он не хочет
- 6. to drive by smth. приводить в движение чем-л., при помощи чего-л. to drive a mill by water power приводить мельницу в движение водой

an engine driven by steam [by electricity] - двигатель, приводимый в действие паром [электричеством] he is driven by his own passions - им движут собственные страсти, он раб своих страстей 7. to drive smb. into a state довести кого-л. до какого-л. состояния to drive smb. to drink - довести кого-л. до пьянства to drive smb. mad /crazy/ to drive smb. out of his senses /out of his mind/ - доводить кого-л. до безумия, сводить кого-л. с ума to drive smb. into panic - привести кого-л. в паническое состояние to drive smb. wild - вывести кого-л. из себя, довести кого-л. до крайности 8. to drive at smth. вести, клонить к чему-л. what are you driving at? - куда ты клонишь?, к чему ты ведёшь?, чего ты хочешь? 9. разг. 1) to let drive at smb. with smth. ударить /стукнуть/ кого-л. чем-л. he let drive at the boy with his fists [with a stick] - он набросился на мальчишку с кулаками [с палкой] 2) to let drive at smth. with smth. ударить по чему-л. чем-л. he let drive at the ball with his club - он стукнул по мячу клюшкой /лаптой/ to drive a quill /a pen/ - писать, быть писателем to drive stakes - *амер.* а) располагаться лагерем, разбивать лагерь; б) застолбить участок; делать заявку (на участок); в) обосноваться to drive smb. round the bend - доводить кого-л. до безумия, сводить кого-л. с ума

to drive smb. to the wall - прижать кого-л. к стенке

to drive it home to smb. - убедить кого-л. (в чём-л.); растолковать кому-л. свою мысль

to drive a lesson into smb.'s head - втолковать /вдолбить/ кому-л. урок

#### drive

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verb (drove BrE [drov] ; NAmE [drov] , driven BrE ['drivn] ; NAmE ['drivn] )

#### VEHICLE

1. intransitive, transitive to operate a vehicle so that it goes in a particular direction

drive [drive drives drove driving driven] verb noun BrE [draid NAmE [draid]

- Can you drive?
- Don't drive so fast!
- I drove to work this morning.
- Shall we drive (= go there by car) or go by train?
- sth He drives a taxi (= that is his job).
- 2. transitive ~ sb (+ adv./prep.) to take sb somewhere in a car, taxi, etc
- Could you drive me home?
- 3. transitive ~ sth to own or use a particular type of vehicle
- What car do you drive?

#### MACHINE

- 4. transitive, usually passive ~ sth to provide the power that makes a machine work
- a steam-driven locomotive

### MAKE SB DO STH

- 5. transitive ~ sb (+ adv./prep.) to force sb to act in a particular way
- The urge to survivedrove them on.
- · You're driving yourself too hard.
- 6. transitive to make sb very angry, crazy, etc. or to make them do sth extreme
- ~ sb + adj. to drive sb crazy/mad/insane
- ~ sb to do sth Hunger drove her to steal.
- ~ sb to sth Those kids are driving me to despair.
- (humorous) It's enough to drive you to drink (= to make you start drinking too much alcohol) .

# MAKE SB/STH MOVE

- 7. transitive ~ sb/sth + adv./prep. to force sb/sth to move in a particular direction
- to drive sheep into a field
- The enemy was driven back.

# CAUSE STH TO MAKE PROGRESS

- 8. transitive ~ sth to influence sth or cause it to make progress
- This is the main factor driving investment in the area.

# HIT/PUSH

9. transitive ~ sth + adv./prep. to force sth to go in a particular direction or into a particular position by pushing it, hitting it, etc

• to drive a nail into a piece of wood

# MAKE A HOLE

- **10.** transitive ~ sth + adv./prep. to make an opening in or through sth by using force
  - They drove a tunnel through the solid rock.

#### **IN SPORT**

#### 11. transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) (+ adv./prep.) to hit a ball with force, sending it forward

• to drive the ball into the rough (= in **fgolf**)

#### WIND/WATER

12. transitive ~ sth (+ adv./prep.) to carry sth along

· Huge waves drove the yacht onto the rocks.

13. intransitive (+ adv./prep.) to fall or move rapidly and with great force

• The waves drove against the shore.

**more at** run/drive/work yourself into the ground **at**  $\uparrow$  **ground** <sub>n</sub>, drive/strike a hard bargain **at**  $\uparrow$  **hard** <sub>adj.</sub>, needs must (when the devil drives) **at**  $\uparrow$  **need** <sub>n</sub>, as clean, pure, etc. as the driven snow **at**  $\uparrow$  **snow** <sub>n</sub>

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
1 / you / we /they	drive
	BrE /drazv/
	NAmE /dratv/
he / she /it	drives
	BrE /drazvz/
	NAmE /dratvz/
past simple	drave
	BrE /draetv/
	NAmE /drosv/
past participle	driven
	BrE / 'drzvn/
	NAmE / dram/
-ing form	driving
	BrE / 'drawy/
	NAME / dratvary/

Word Origin:

Old English drīfan 'urge (a person or animal) to go forward', of Germanic origin; related to Dutch drijven and German treiben.

Thesaurus: drive verb 1. L T • I learned to drive at 17. steer · · handle · |BrE manoeuvre · |AmE maneuver · drive/steer/handle/manoeuvrea car 2. I. T • We've driven over 200 miles today. travel · · go · · come · · do · drive/travel/go/come from/to sth drive/travel/go/come/do 50 miles/10 kilometres, etc. drive/trave/come a long distance 3. T (sometimes disapproving) You're driving yourself too hard. work • |disapproving overwork • |usually approving push • drive/work/push sb hard drive/push sb too far/to the limit drive/work sb into the ground Collocations: Driving Having a car have/own/ (BrE) run a car ride a motorcycle/motorbike drive/prefer/use an automatic/a manual/(NAmE, informal) a stick shift have/get your car serviced/fixed/repaired buy/sell a used car/(especially BrE) a second-hand car take/pass/fail a (BrE) driving test/(both NAmE) driver's test/road test get/obtain/have/lose/carry a/your (BrE) driving licence/(NAmE) driver's license Driving put on/fasten/ (NAmE) buckle/wear/undo your seat belt/safety belt put/turn/leave the key in the ignition start the car/engine (BrE) change / (NAmE) shift/put sth into gear press/put your foot on the brake pedal/clutch/accelerator release the clutch/(especially BrE) the handbrake/(both NAmE) the emergency brake/the parking brake drive/park/reverse the car (BrE) indicate left/right (especially NAmE) signal that you are turning left/right

take/miss (BrE) the turning/(especially NAmE) the turn

apply/hit/slam on the brake(s) beep/honk/ (especially BrE) toot/ (BrE) sound your horn Problems and accidents a car skids/crashes (into sth)/collides (with sth) swerve to avoid an oncoming car/a pedestrian crash/lose control of the car have/be in/be killed in/survive a car crash/a car accident/(NAmE) a car wreck/a hit-and-run be run over/knocked down by a car/bus/truck dent/hit (BrE) the bonnet/(NAmE) the hood break/crack/shatter (BrE) the windscreen/(NAmE) the windshield blow/ (especially BrE) burst/puncture (BrE) a tyre/(NAmE) a tire get/have (BrE) a flat tyre/a flat tire/a puncture inflate/change/fit/replace/check a tyre/tire Traffic and driving regulations be caught in/get stuck in/sit in a traffic jam cause congestion/tailbacks/traffic jams/gridlock experience /face lengthy delays beat/avoid the traffic/the rush hour break/observe/ (NAmE) drive the speed limit be caught on (BrE) a speed camera stop sb for/pull sb over for/ (BrE, informal) be done for speeding (both informal) run/ (BrE) jump a red light/the lights be arrested for/charged with (BrE) drink-driving(both US) driving under the influence (DUI)/driving while intoxicated (DWI) be banned/ (BrE) disgualified from driving

#### Synonyms:

take

lead • escort • drive • show • walk • guide • usher • direct

These words all mean to go with sb from one place to another.

take • to go with sb from one place to another, for example in order to show them sth or to show them the way to a place: = It's too far to walk— I'll take you by car.

**lead** • to go with or go in front of sb in order to show them the way or to make them go in the right direction: = Firefighters led the survivors to safety.

escort • to go with sb in order to protect or guard them or to show them the way: = The president arrived escorted by twelve bodyguards.

drive • to take sb somewhere in a car, taxi, etc: • My mother drove us to the airport.

**show** • to take sb to a particular place, in the right direction, or along the correct route: = The attendant showed us to our seats. **walk** • to go somewhere with sb on foot, especially in order to make sure that they get there safely; to take an animal, especially a dog, for a walk or make an animal walk somewhere: = He always walked her home.  $\diamond$ = Have you walked the dog yet today? **guide** • to show sb the way to a place, often by going with them; to show sb a place that you know well: = She guided us through the busy streets.  $\diamond$ = We were guided around the museums.

usher • (rather formal) to politely take or show sb where they should go, especially within a building: = She ushered her guests to their seats.

**direct** • (rather formal) to tell or show sb how to get somewhere or where to go: • A young woman directed them to the station. to take/lead/escort/drive/show/walk/guide/usher/direct sb **to/out of/into** sth

#### to take/lead/escort/drive/show/walk/guide sb around/round

to take/lead/escort/drive/walk sb home

to take/lead/escort/guide sb to safety

to lead/show the way

#### Example Bank:

- He was arrested for driving recklessly.
- I'll drive you home.
- She drove quickly back to the office.
- She got into the car and drove away.
- We drove from Quebec to Ottawa.
- You shouldn't drive so fast!
- driving from London to Manchester
- Driving lessons can be expensive.
- Have you ever driven a racing car?
- He drives a taxi.
- · He took a wooden peg and droveit into the ground.
- Hunger drove them to steal.
- I asked the man to drive me home.
- I learned to drive when I was 25.
- It's enough to drive you to drink.
- It's the story of a teenager driven to despair by the hypocrisy of the adult world.
- My mother drove us to the airport.
- Shall we drive or go by train?

- · Someone had driven a nail deep into the wood.
- The knife had been driven through his heart.
- They run a driving school in Birmingham.
- They were driven to an unknown place in the hills.
- They're intending to drive from Seattle down to San Diego.
- We drove the rest of the way in silence.
- We must have driven over 600 kilometres today.
- What type of car do you drive?
- You need a special licence to drive a heavy goods vehicle.
- You're driving yourself too hard.

<u>Idioms:</u> <sup>†</sup>drive a coach and horses through something = <sup>†</sup>drive something home = <sup>†</sup>what somebody is driving at <u>Derived</u> <sup>†</sup>drive away = <sup>†</sup>drive off = <sup>†</sup>drive on = <sup>†</sup>drive somebody away = <sup>†</sup>drive somebody off = <sup>†</sup>drive somebody out = <sup>†</sup>drive something up

#### noun

#### **IN/OF VEHICLE**

- 1. countable a journey in a car or other vehicle
- · Let's go for a drive .
- a drive through the mountains
- It's a three-hour drive to London.
- 2. countable, uncountable the equipment in a vehicle that takes power from the engine to the wheels
- the drive shaft
- a car with four-wheel drive
- a left-/right-hand drive car (= a car where the driver and the controls are on the left/right)

#### **OUTSIDE HOUSE**

3. (also drive-way) countable a wide hard path or a private road that leads from the street to a house

• There were two cars parked **in/on** the drive.



#### EFFORT

- 4. countable an organized effort by a group of people to achieve sth
- a recruitment/export/economy drive
- ~ for sth a drive for greater efficiency
- ~ to do sth the government's drive to reduce energy consumption

#### DESIRE/ENERGY

- 5. countable, uncountable a strong desire or need in people
- · a strong sexual drive
- 6. uncountable (approving) a strong desire to do things and achieve sth; great energy
  - He'll do very well- he has tremendous drive.

#### **IN SPORT**

- 7. countable a long hard hit or kick
  - She has a strong forehand drive (= in tennis).
  - He scored with a brilliant 25-yard drive.

#### COMPUTING

8. countable the part of a computer that reads and stores information on disks or tapes

- a 750GB hard drive
- a CD drive
- see also †disk drive

#### GAMES

9. countable (BrE) a social occasion when a lot of people compete in a game such as <sup>†</sup>whist or <sup>†</sup>bingo

#### ANIMALS/ENEMY

**10.** countable an act of chasing animals or the enemy and making them go into a smaller area, especially in order to kill or capture them

#### ROAD

11. Drive (abbr. Dr) used in the names of roads

• 21 Island Heights Drive

#### Word Origin:

Old English drīfan 'urge (a person or animal) to go forward', of Germanic origin; related to Dutch drijven and German treiben.

Thesaurus:

drive noun C

# • We went out for a drive

ride • |BrE lift • a drive/ride/lift from/to sth a drive/ride/lift back/home take/go on/go for a drive/ride give sb/hitch a ride/lift

Synonyms:

# campaign

battle • struggle • drive • war • fight

These are all words for an effort made to achieve or prevent sth.

**campaign** • a series of planned activities that are intended to achieve a particular social, commercial or political aim: = the campaign for parliamentary reform  $\diamond$ = an advertising campaign

**battle** • a competition or argument between people or groups of people trying to win power or control: • She finally won the legal battle for compensation.  $\diamond$  = the endless battle between man and nature

struggle • a competition or argument between people or groups of people trying to win power or control: = the struggle for independence  $\diamond$ = the struggle between good and evil

### battle or struggle?

A **struggle** is always about things that seem absolutely necessary, such as life and death or freedom. A **battle** can also be about things that are not absolutely necessary, just desirable, or about the pleasure of winning: • the battle/struggle between good and evil  $\diamond$ a legal struggle for compensation  $\diamond$ a struggle of wills/wits.

**drive** • an organized effort by a group of people to achieve sth: = the drive for greater efficiency  $\diamond$ = a drive to reduce energy consumption

#### campaign or drive?

A campaign is usually aimed at getting other people to do sth; a drive may be an attempt by people to get themselves to do sth: = From today, we're going on an = economy drive = = (= we must spend less) =. A campaign may be larger, more formal and more organized than a drive.

war • [sing.] an effort over a long period of time to get rid of or stop sth bad: = the war against crime

fight • [sing.] the work of trying to stop or prevent sth bad or achieve sth good; an act of competing, especially in a sport: -

#### Workers won their fight to stop compulsory redundancies.

#### war or fight?

A war is about stopping things, like drugs and crime, that everyone agrees are bad. A **fight** can be about achieving justice for yourself.

a campaign/battle/struggle/drive/war/fight against sth

a campaign/battle/struggle/drive/fight for sth

a one-man /one-woman /personal campaign/battle/struggle/war

a **bitter** campaign/battle/struggle/drive/war/fight

to launch/embark on a campaign/battle/drive

to lead/continue the campaign/battle/struggle/drive/fight

to **win/lose** a battle/struggle/war/fight

#### Example Bank:

- A lack of narrative drive leaves the reader with piecemeal vignettes.
- A number of police cars blocked the drive.
- · All my family live within an hour's drive.
- · Cole scored with a thunderous left-foot drive.
- He hit a line drive straight at me.
- · He lacks the competitive drive needed to succeed.
- · He pulled into a long drive leading up to a large villa.
- He walked up the front drive of the vicarage.
- It's a pleasant drive to the coast.
- It's one of the most scenic drives in Europe.
- Left-hand drive cars make driving in Britain difficult.
- · Let's go for a drive.
- The Popular Front spearheaded the drive for independence.
- The lakes are only a short drive away.
- The spots will run during drive time radio.
- There was a car parked on the drive.
- We organized a food drive for the city's homeless shelters.
- We're going to launch a big recruitment drive in the autumn.
- You need to inject more narrative drive into the story.

- a drive against corruption
- a drive towards higher safety standards
- a forehand drive down the line
- · a housing development within a 30-minute drive time from the airport
- the country's drive for modernization
- the recent recruitment drive by the police
- From today, we're going on an economy drive.
- He offered to take me for a drive later in the day.
- He played a crucial role in the drive for greater efficiency.
- He was tired after the long drive home.
- · He'll do very well- he has tremendous drive.
- I took the car for a test drive.
- She is leading the recruitment drive
- The beach is a 20-minute drive away.
- The government has launched a drive to reduce energy consumption.
- The treatment should not affect your sex drive or fertility.
- · We have this insatiable drive to be successful in the markets we serve.
- We went for a drive along the coast.

### See also: <sup>†</sup>driveway

#### drive

I. drive <sup>1</sup> S1 W1 /draɪv BrE <sup>\*</sup> AmE <sup>\*</sup> verb (past tense drove /drəʊv \$ droʊv/, past participle driven /'drɪvən/) [Word Family: noun: 1drive, 1driver, 1driving, verb. 1drive, adjective: 1driving]

- [Language: Old English; Origin: drifan]
- 1. VEHICLE
- a) [intransitive and transitive] to make a car, truck, bus etc move along drive to/down/off etc
  - <sup>\*</sup> I am planning to drive to Morocco next year.
  - the man driving the car
  - Can you drive?
  - So when did you learn to drive?
  - Bye! Drive carefully!
  - He drives 12 miles to work.
  - He drives (=has) a BMW estate.
- **b)** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if a car, truck etc drives somewhere, it moves there:
- After the accident, the other car just drove off.

#### c) [intransitive] if people drive somewhere, they travel somewhere in a car:

Shall we drive or take the bus?

### drive to/down/off etc

They drove back to Woodside.

#### d) [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to take someone somewhere in a car, truck etc:

- She drove Anna to London.
- I'll <u>drive</u> you <u>home</u>.

#### drive yourself

I drove myself to hospital.

#### 2. MAKE SOMEBODY MOVE [transitive] to force a person or animal to go somewhere:

- Torrential rain drove the players off the course.
- With a few loud whistles, they drove the donkeys out of the enclosure.
- 3. MAKE SOMEBODY DO SOMETHING [transitive] to strongly influence someone to do something

#### drive somebody to do something

The detective wondered what had driven Christine to phone her.

#### drive somebody to/into something

- <sup>\*</sup> The noises in my head have nearly driven me to suicide.
- Phil, driven by jealousy, started spying on his wife.

4. MAKE SOMEBODY/SOMETHING BE IN A BAD STATE [transitive] to make someone or something get into a bad or extreme state, usually an emotional one

#### drive somebody crazy/nuts/mad/insane (=make someone feel very annoyed)

This cough is driving me mad!

#### drive somebody crazy/wild (=make someone feel very sexually excited)

drive somebody up the wall/out of their mind (=make someone feel very annoyed)

#### drive somebody to distraction/desperation

The mosquitoes drive me to distraction.

### drive somebody/something into something

The factory had been driven into bankruptcy.

#### 5. HIT/PUSH SOMETHING INTO SOMETHING [transitive] to hit or push something into something else

## drive something into something

We watched Dad drive the posts into the ground.

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- She drove her heels into the sand.
- 6. MAKE SOMEBODY WORK [transitive] to make a person or animal work hard
- drive yourself
  - Don't drive yourself too hard.
- 7. SPORTS [intransitive and transitive]
- a) to move a ball etc forward in a game of baseball, football, golf etc by hitting or kicking it hard and fast: "He drove the ball into the corner of the net.
- b) to run with the ball towards the <sup>†</sup>goal in sports such as <sup>†</sup>basketball and American football
- 8. PROVIDE POWER [transitive] to provide the power for a vehicle or machine

## petrol-driven/electrically-driven/battery-driven etc

a petrol-drivenlawn mower

**9. RAIN/WIND ETC** [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] if rain, snow, wind etc drives somewhere, it moves very quickly in that direction:

- The rain was driving down hard.
- 10. drive a coach and horses through something to destroy an argument, plan etc completely:
  - The new bill will drive a coach and horses through recent trade agreements.
- **11. MAKE A HOLE** [transitive always + adverb/preposition] to make a large hole in something using heavy equipment or machinery: They drove a tunnel through the mountains.
- 12. drive something home to make something completely clear to someone:
- He didn't have to <u>drive</u> the <u>point home</u>. The videotape had done that.
- 13. drive a wedge between somebody to do something that makes people disagree or start to dislike each other:
- I don't want to drive a wedge between you and your father.
- ⇒ drive/strike a hard bargain at <sup>1</sup>hard<sup>1</sup>(18)

## **COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 4)**

## phrases

drive somebody crazy/mad/insane spoken (also drive somebody nuts spoken informal) (=make someone feel very annoyed) The continuous noise was driving me crazy.

- drive somebody crazy/wild (=make someone feel very sexually excited) He drives women wild.
- drive somebody up the wall/round the bend/out of their mind spoken informal (=make someone feel very annoyed) That voice of hers drives me up the wall.

- drive somebody to distraction (=make someone feel very upset or annoyed) She was being driven to distraction by her husband's bad habits.

- drive somebody to despair/desperation (=make someone despair) Escalating personal debts have driven many people to despair.

• drive somebody to drink (=make someone so annoyed or upset that they depend on alcohol) His problems had almost driven him to drink.

#### drive at something phrasal verb

- what somebody is driving at the thing someone is really trying to say SYN get at:
  - I still couldn't understand what Toby was driving at.

### drive somebody ↔away phrasal verb

## to behave in a way that makes someone leave:

" He was cruel because he wanted to drive me away.

## drive something ↔down phrasal verb

to make prices, costs etc fall quickly:

## We have to drive down costs.

#### drive somebody/something $\leftrightarrow$ in phrasal verb

#### to hit the ball so that another player can score a <sup>†</sup>run in baseball

#### drive off phrasal verb

#### 1. to hit the ball to begin a game of golf

- 2. drive somebody ↔ off to force a person or animal to go away from you:
- We keep dogs in the yard to drive off intruders.

# drive somebody/something ↔ out phrasal verb

# 1. to force someone or something to leave:

Downtown stores are being driven out by crime.

# 2. written to make something stop existing:

As we went forward, our fear was driven out by horror.

# drive something ↔up phrasal verb

to make prices, costs etc rise quickly:

The oil shortage drovegas prices up by 20 cents a gallon.

# II. drive<sup>2</sup> S2 W2 BrE AmE noun

# [Word Family: noun: 1 drive, 1 driver, 1 driving, verb 1 drive; adjective: 1 driving]

# 1. IN A CAR [countable] a journey in a car

# drive to/along etc

- Let's go for a drive along the coast.
- Taylor took me for a drive through the town.

# an hour's/a two hour etc drive

It's a two hour drive from Calais to Thiepval.

2. NATURAL NEED [countable] a strong natural need or desire: The treatment will not affect your sex drive. 3. OUTSIDE YOUR HOUSE [countable] the hard area or road between your house and the street SYN driveway in/on the drive He parked his car in the drive. 4. EFFORT [countable] an effort to achieve something, especially an effort by an organization for a particular purpose: a recruitment drive for new members an economy drive (=effort to reduce spending) drive to do something a nationwide drive to crack down on crime 5. DETERMINATION [uncountable] determination and energy to succeed: Brian has got tremendous drive. 6. POWER [uncountable] the power from an engine that makes the wheels of a vehicle go round front-wheel/rear-wheel/four-wheel drive 7. COMPUTER [countable] a piece of equipment in a computer that is used to get information from a <sup>†</sup>disk or to store information on it hard/floppy/A etc drive ⇒ <sup>↑</sup>disk drive 8. SPORT [countable] an act of hitting a ball hard, especially in tennis, baseball, or golf: He hit a long, high drive to right field. 9. MILITARY ATTACK [countable] several military attacks drive into a drive deep into enemy territory 10. ANIMALS [countable] when animals such as cows or sheep are brought together and made to move in a particular direction

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- **11**. **Drive** used in the names of roads:
  - 141 Park Drive

#### drive

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