

**heroine**['herəvɪn] *n*

1. героиня
2. героиня, главное действующее лицо (*рассказа, фильма и т. п.*)
3. полубогиня (*в античной литературе*)

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**hero·ine** ['heroine heroines] *BrE* ['herəvɪn] <sup>ⓘ</sup> *NAmE* ['herəvɪn] <sup>ⓘ</sup> **noun**

1. a girl or woman who is admired by many for doing sth brave or good
  - the heroines of the revolution
2. the main female character in a story, novel, film/movie, etc
  - The heroine is played by Demi Moore.
  - Shakespeare's heroines
3. a woman that you admire because of a particular quality or skill that she has
  - Madonna was her teenage heroine.

Word Origin:

mid 17th cent. (in the sense 'demigoddess, venerated woman'): from French *héroïne* or Latin *heroína*, from Greek *hērōinē*, feminine of *hērōs* 'hero'.

Example Bank:

- Jane Eyre, the eponymous heroine of the novel by Charlotte Brontë
- She remains one of the unsung heroines of the Second World War.
- She was thrilled to be interviewing her childhood heroine.
- Violetta is one of the great tragic heroines of Verdi's operas.
- She has played several of Shakespeare's heroines— Portia and Juliet among them.
- She is widely regarded as one of the heroines of the revolution.
- The story is narrated entirely by the heroine.

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**her**  **o·ine** /'herəvɪn \$ -rou-/ *BrE* <sup>ⓘ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ⓘ</sup> **noun** [countable][Date: 1600-1700; Language: Latin; Origin: heroína, from Greek heroine, from heros; ⇒ <sup>↑</sup>hero]

1. a woman who is admired for doing something extremely brave ⇒ **hero**  
**heroine of**  
<sup>ⓘ</sup> a heroine of the French Resistance
2. the woman or girl who is the main character in a book, film, play etc ⇒ **hero**  
**heroine of**  
<sup>ⓘ</sup> Mira, the fictional heroine of 'The Women's Room'
3. a woman who is admired very much for a particular skill or quality ⇒ **hero, idol**  
**sb's heroine**  
<sup>ⓘ</sup> Oprah is my heroine.

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