1. [saın] *n*

1. 1) признак, примета; свидетельство

a dark cloud is a sign of rain - тёмное облако - признак дождя

tears are a sign of weakness - слёзы - свидетельство слабости

the weather shows no signs of improving - погода не даёт надежды на улучшение

signs intimate that ... - есть признаки того, что /указания на то, что/ ...

her face bore signs of many years' suffering - её лицо носило следы многолетних страданий

2) мед. симптом

2. 1) знак, обозначение

in sign of smth. - в знак чего-л.

a sign of the cross - крестное знамение

to make a sign of the cross - перекреститься

they removed their hats in sign of respect - в знак уважения они обнажили головы

2) условный знак, значок; символ

the signs used in arithmetic are +, -, , : - в арифметикеиспользуются знаки +, -, ×, :

3) эмблема, символ

4) пароль

sign and countersign - пароль и отзыв

3. 1) жест, знак

deaf-and-dumbsigns - азбука глухонемых

to speak in signs - объясняться жестами

to make no sign - a) не подавать признаков жизни; б) не возражать

2) сигнал

to give a sign - подать сигнал

the high sign - тайный сигнал; знак, поданный незаметно для посторонних (жестом, подмигиванием и т. п.)

he gave his wife the high sign that he wanted to leave the party - он подал знак /показал/ жене - пора собираться домой

4. возвыш. знамение, предзнаменование

signs of the times - знамение времени

to interpret /to read/ aright the signs of the time - правильно истолковать / понять/ веления времени

5. астр. знак зодиака

6. вывеска; объявление, указатель

traffic sign - дорожный знак

illuminated signs - световая реклама

at the sign of the Red Lion - в гостинице «Красный лев»

а "Closed" sign was put up overthe door of the bank - на дверях банка было вывешено объявление «Закрыто»

the "Silence" sign in the library - надпись «Соблюдайте тишину» в библиотеке

7. амер. охот. след (зверя)

8. юр. подпись

2. [sain] v

1. 1) подписывать

to sign a letter [a petition] - подписать письмо [петицию]

to sign one's doom - подписать приговор самому себе

2) подписываться

to sign in full - подписываться полным именем

to sign in smb. else's name - подписываться за кого-л.; расписаться в получении телеграммы [посылки]

2. подавать знак; выражать жестом

to sign assent [dissent] - выразить жестом согласие [несогласие]

the patrolman signed for him to stop - регулировщик сделал ему знак остановиться

he signed to me to take a seat - он жестом пригласил меня садиться

3. отмечать, помечать; ставить знак

4. перекрестить, осенить крестным знамением

to sign on the dotted /bottom/ line - a) расписаться на документе (ocof. финансовом); б) взять на себя расходы, финансирование um.n.; в) vacmo wymn. расписаться

sign

sign [sign signs signed signing] noun, verb BrE [saɪn] ** NAmE [saɪn] **

noun

SHOWING STH

1. countable, uncountable an event, an action, a fact, etc. that shows that sth exists, is happening or may happen in the future Syn: †indication

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- ~ (of sth/sb) Headaches may be a sign of stress.
- · There is no sign of John anywhere.
- · Call the police at the first sign of trouble.
- There was no sign of life in the house (= there seemed to be nobody there) .
- Her work is **showing some signs of** improvement
- ~ (of doing sth) The gloomy weather shows no sign of improving.

- The fact that he didn't say 'no' immediately is a good sign.
- ~ (that...) If an interview is too easy, it's a sure sign that you haven't got the job.
- There were no outward signs that anything was wrong.
- If I had noticed the warning signs, none of this would have happened.

FOR INFORMATION/WARNING

- 2. countable a piece of paper, wood or metal that has writing or a picture on it that gives you information, instructions, a warning, etc
 - a road/traffic sign
 - a shop/pub sign
 - The sign on the wall said 'Now wash your hands'.
 - Follow the signs for the city centre.

MOVEMENT/SOUND

- 3. countable a movement or sound that you make to tell sb sth
 - · He gave a thumbs-up sign .
 - · She nodded as a sign for us to sit down.
 - Three blasts on the whistle was the sign for visitors to leave.
 - to make **the sign of the cross** (= an act of moving one hand in the shape of a cross, done by Christians to show respect for God or by a priest to †bless sb/sth)

see also [†]V-sign

SYMBOL

- 4. countable a mark used to represent sth, especially in mathematics
 - a plus/minus sign (+/-)
 - a dollar/pound sign (\$/£)

STAR SIGN

- 5. countable (informal) = ↑star sign
 - · What sign are you?

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French signe (noun), signer (verb), from Latin signum 'mark, token'.

Thesaurus:

sign noun

1. C, U

· Headaches may be a sign of stress.

indication · · signal · · symptom · · mark · · pointer · · hint · · clue · · trace · · suggestion · · symbol · |especially business indicator · |especially journalism hallmark ·

a/an sign/indication/signal/symptom/mark/hint/trace/suggestion/symbol/indicator/hallmark **of** sth a/an sign/indication/signal/symptom/hint/suggestion/indicator **that...**

have (the) signs/symptoms/marks/traces/hallmarks of sth

Sign, indication or signal? An **indication** often comes in the form of sth that sb says; a **sign** is usually sth that happens or sth that sb does. **Signal** is often used for sth that suggests to sb that they should do sth. **Sign** is not usually used in this way:

• Reducing prison sentences would send the wrong signals to criminals.

✗ Reducing prison sentences would send the wrong signs to criminals.

2. C

• Follow the signs for the Arts Centre.

board · · plaque · · notice · · plate ·

on a sign/board/plaque/notice/plate

put up/see/read a sign/board/plaque/notice/plate

a sign/board/plaque/notice/plate appears/goes up

Sign or notice? A notice always gives its information in words; a sign often uses pictures or symbols:

a road/traffic/shop/pub sign

✗ a road/traffic/shop/pub notice

- **3.** C (used in compounds)
 - a plus/minus/sign

symbol · · mark · |formal technical character ·

the sign/symbol/character for sth

a sign/symbol/character means/indicates sth

Sign or symbol? A **symbol** usually refers to a shape or small picture, or the letters representing chemical elements. A **sign** is usually sth more simple, such as a **dollar sign**.

Synonyms:

sign

indication • symptom • symbol • indicator • signal

These are all words for an event, action or fact that shows that sth exists, is happening or may happen in the future.

sign • an event, action or fact that shows that sth exists, is happening or may happen in the future: • Headaches may be a sign of stress.

indication • (rather formal) a remark or sign that shows that sth is happening or what sb is thinking or feeling: • They gave no • indication as to • how the work should be done.

sign or indication?

An **indication** often comes in the form of sth that sb says; a **sign** is usually sth that happens or sth that sb does. **symptom** • a change in your body or mind that shows that you are not healthy; a sign that sth exists, especially sth bad:

Symptoms include a sore throat.

The rise in inflation was just one symptom of the poor state of the economy. **symbol** • a person, object or event that represents a more general quality or situation:
The dove is a universal symbol of peace. **indicator** • (rather formal) a sign that shows you what sth is like or how a situation is changing:
the economic indicators **signal** • an event, action or fact that shows that sth exists, is happening or may happen in the future:
Chest pains can be a

warning signal of heart problems.

sign or signal?

Signal is often used to talk about an event, action or fact that suggests to sb that they should do sth. **Sign** is not usually used in this way: Reducing prison sentences would send the wrong signs to criminals.

a(n) sign/indication/symptom/symbol/indicator/signal of sth

a(n) sign/indication/symptom/indicator/signal that...

a **clear** sign/indication/symptom/symbol/indicator/signal

an **obvious** sign/indication/symptom/symbol/indicator

an early sign/indication/symptom/indicator/signal

an **outward** sign/indication/symbol

to give a(n) sign/indication/signal

Example Bank:

- All the outward signs of growth in the market are there.
- All the signs pointed to it being more than just a coincidence.
- Are appliances you buy safe? We point out the danger signs.
- Bravo Two Zero was the call sign of an eight-man SAS team.
- By now the fish was showing signs of distress.
- · Early signs point to business improving
- Follow the road and you'll see signs for the turn-off.
- Get this test if you have signs and symptoms of diabetes.
- He disappeared at the first sign of trouble.
- He displayed the classic signs of post-traumatic stress disorder.
- He drew a huge dollar sign on the paper.
- He gets \$300 a week from the union for carrying a picket sign.
- He ignored the warning signs of mounting health problems.
- He might as well have been wearing a sign saying 'I am a tourist'.
- He spoke up without the slightest sign of nervousness.
- · He was silent. It was a good sign.
- He yelled at us for ignoring the stop sign.
- His face betrayed no sign of emotion.
- I can't remember the sign for 'square root'.
- I detected the subtle signs of disapproval
- I hope this incident isn't a sign of things to come.
- I put out a lawn sign in my yard.
- I used the Chinese sign for 'father' instead of 'uncle'.
- It's a real sign of the times: 30 small businesses face financial ruin this month.
- · Just follow the signs for Bridgend.
- · Look carefully for signs of damp.
- Mars rules the zodiac sign of Aries.
- She checked his vital signs and found that his pulse was slow.
- She gave me a thumbs-up sign.
- She made a peace sign while having her picture taken.
- Some of the marchers were holding up signs and placards.
- · Someone had put up a 'For Sale' sign.
- Strong dislikes of foods are early signs of pregnancy.
- Strong likes or dislikes of various foods are another of the early signs of pregnancy.
- The demonstrators shouted and waved signs.
- The first signs of spring appeared.
- The lack of interest in the media is a telling sign of the industry's health.
- The murder had all the signs of a crime of passion.
- The people regarded the earthquake as a sign from God.
- The priest made the sign of the cross over the dead body.
- The sign pointed down a narrow road.
- The sign read 'No Fishing'.
- The warning signs were present from the start.
- The wizard drew some strange signs in the air with his wand.
- There was no sign of life in the house.
- There's no sign of the snow stopping.
- They had to communicate through signs and grunts.

- This move will be seen as a sign of weakness.
- · This sign indicates that cycling is allowed.
- We detected signs that they were less than enthusiastic about the holiday.
- We used sign language to talk.
- · What does this sign mean?
- · a T-shirt with a peace sign on it
- hundreds of signs bearing the single word 'Peace'
- people born under the sign of Gemini
- · signs warning against trespass
- the sign for 'woman' in sign language
- · the telltale signs of drug abuse
- · the twelve astrological signs
- A man was up a ladder mending a shop sign.
- A sign on the wall said 'Now wash your hands'.
- All the road signs are in both languages.
- Follow the signs for the Performing Arts Centre.
- If an interview is too easy, it's a sure sign that you haven't got the job.
- The fact that he didn't say 'no' immediately is a good sign.
- a V-sign
- · a plus/minus sign
- · a pound/dollar sign

Idioms: 1sign of the times = 1sign on the dotted line = 1signed and sealed = 1signed, sealed and delivered

Derived Word †signer

Derived 1sign for something = 1sign in = 1sign off = 1sign off on something = 1sign on = 1sign somebody in = 1sign somebody on = ↑sign something away = ↑sign something off = ↑sign something over = ↑sign up = ↑sign up to something

verb

YOUR NAME

- 1. intransitive, transitive to write your name on a document, letter, etc. to show that you have written it, that you agree with what it says, or that it is genuine
 - · Sign here, please.
 - ~ sth Sign your name here, please.
 - You haven't signed the letter.
 - · to sign a cheque
 - The treaty was signed on 24 March.
 - The player was signing autographs for a group of fans.
 - ~ yourself + noun He signed himself 'Jimmy'.

CONTRACT

- 2. transitive, intransitive to arrange for sb, for example a sports player or musician, to sign a contract agreeing to work for your company; to sign a contract agreeing to work for a company
 - ~ sb United have just signed a new goalie.
 - ~ for sth He signed for United yesterday.
 - ~ with sth The band signed with Virgin Records.

MAKE MOVEMENT/SOUND

3. intransitive, transitive ~ (to/for sb) (to do sth) | ~ that... to make a request or tell sb to do sth by using a sign, especially a hand movement

Syn: †signal

- The hotel manager signed to the porter to pick up my case.
- The police officer signed for us to stop.

FOR DEAF PERSON

- 4. intransitive, transitive to use sign language to communicate with sb
 - She learnt to sign to help her deaf child.
 - ~ sth An increasing number of plays are now being signed.

more at sign/take the pledge at pledge n

Verb forms: verb forms present simple I / you / we /they sign BrE /saɪn/ NAmE /sam/ he / she /it signs BrE /samz/ NAmE /samz/ past simple, past participle signed BrE /samd/ NAmE /samd/ ing form signing BrE /samm/

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French signe (noun), signer (verb), from Latin signum 'mark, token'.

Example Bank:

One copy of this letter should be duly signed and returned to us.

NAME /sammy/

- The courier asked me to sign for the parcel.
- This is the contract you will be required to sign.
- You can sign up online for language classes.
- · a first edition of the book, personally signed by the author
- · He signed his troops to move out.
- · He signed with the San Francisco 49ers.
- The manager signed to the porter to pick up my case.
- The team has just signed a new goalkeeper.
- · You haven't signed the letter.

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I. sign¹ S3 W2 /saɪn/ BrE * AmE * noun

[Word Family: noun: ↑sign, ↑signal, ↑signatory, ↑signature, ↑signing, ↑signaller; verb: ↑sign, ↑signal; adverb: ↑signally; adjective: signed ≠ ↑unsigned]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: signe, from Latin signum 'mark, sign, image, seal']

- **1**. **GIVES INFORMATION** [countable] a piece of paper, metal, or wood with words or a picture that gives people information, warnings, or instructions:
 - a sign on the door
 - road signs
 - a <u>no smoking sign</u>
 - Don't ignore the fog warning signs.
- 2. SHOWS SOMETHING IS TRUE [countable] an event, fact etc that shows that something is happening or that something is true or exists SYN indication

sign of

- A red morning sky is a sign of an impending storm.
- Crying is seen as a sign of weakness.
- A paw print in the dust was a sign that a tiger was close.
- There are signs that the situation is improving.
- There were no signs of forced entry into the house.
- 3. MOVEMENT OR SOUND [countable] a movement, sound etc that you make in order to tell someone something:

the thumbs-up sign (=a sign that you make with your hand to show that something is successful)

give/make a sign

Wait until I give the sign.

sign that

Bruce made a sign that he was ready to leave.

sign (for somebody) to do something

- Three short blasts on the whistle was the sign to begin.
- 4. SYMBOL [countable] a mark or shape that has a particular meaning SYN symbol:
 - the dollar sign
 - a minus sign
- **5**. **STAR SIGN** [countable] (*also* **star sign**) a group of stars, representing one of 12 parts of the year, that some people believe influences your behaviourand your life:
 - What sign are you?
- 6. LANGUAGE [uncountable] a language that uses hand movements instead of spoken words, used by people who cannot hear SYN sign language
- 7. there is no sign of somebody/something used to say that someone or something is not in a place or cannot be found:
 - I waited for two hours but there was still no sign of her.
- 8. sign of life
 - a) a movement that shows that someone is alive, or something that shows that there are people in a particular place:
 - She listened intently for signs of life.

- **b)** something that shows that a situation is becoming more active:
 - Commercial property markets are now showing definite signs of life.
- **9**. **sign of the times** something that shows how people live now:
 - It's just a sign of the times that many children have mobile phones.
- **10**. **the sign of the Cross** the hand movement that some Christians make in the shape of a cross, to show respect for God or to protect themselves from evil

COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

■ADJECTIVES/NOUN + sign

- a clear/obvious/unmistakable sign There are clear signs of a slowdown in economic growth.
- a sure sign (=a very clear sign) He was walking up and down, a sure sign that he was worried.
- a good/positive/encouraging/hopeful sign If she can move her legs, that's a good sign.
- a bad/ominous sign The jury was taking ages to make up its mind, which he felt was probably a bad sign.
- an outward/visible sign (=one that people can see clearly) Kim received the news without showing any visible sign of emotion.
- a warning sign (=one that shows something bad might be happening) In this case, social workers missed the warning signs and failed to protect the children.
- a telltale /tell-tale sign (=signs that clearly show something bad) She would not look at me directly, a tell-tale sign that she was embarrassed.
- the first sign of something (=the first thing that shows something is happening, or something exists) They ran off at the first sign of trouble.
- an early sign (=a sign near the beginning of something that shows that it is happening, or that it exists) an early sign of spring

verbs

- there are signs There are now signs of an improvement in the economy.
- have signs It had all the signs of a crime of passion.
- show signs of something Did she show any signs of distress?
- bear signs of something (=have signs) The bed was neatly made and bore no signs of having been slept in.
- see/detect signs of something I could see some signs of improvement in her health.

THESAURUS

- sign [countable] an event, fact etc that shows that something is happening or that something is true or exists: The curtains were still drawn and there was no sign of activity. | A score of 80 or more is a sign that you are doing very well.
- indication [countable] a sign. Indication is more formal than sign: Recently there have been several indications of improving relations. | There was no indication the killings were related to the drug trade.
- evidence [uncountable] facts or signs that show clearly that something exists or is true, especially something that you are trying to prove: Scientists are hoping to find evidence that there was once life on Mars. | There was not enough evidence to convict him of the murder.
- symptom [countable] a sign that someone has an illness or that a serious problem exists: The first symptoms are tiredness and loss of weight. | Is this a symptom of the decay of Western civilization?
 indicator [countable] a sign that shows you what is happening or what is true used about a process, or about the state or
- Indicator [countable] a sign that shows you what is happening or what is true used about a process, or about the state of level of something: There are a number of indicators of economic slowdown. | The tests are considered a good indicator of intelligence.
- signal [countable] a sign that shows that you should do something, or that you have a particular attitude: Severe chest pain is a warning signal that cannot be ignored. | Legalizing drugs could send the wrong signal to young people.
- mark [countable] a sign, especially that you respect or honour someone: People stood in silence as a mark of respect. | It was a mark of her popularity that so many colleagues and friends attended the presentation.
- II. sign² S2 W2 BrE AmE verb
 - [Word Family: noun: ↑sign, ↑signal, ↑signatory, ↑signature, ↑signing, ↑signaller; verb: ↑sign, ↑signal; adverb: ↑signally; adjective: signed ≠ ↑unsigned]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: signer, from Latin signare, from signum; ⇒ ↑sign¹]

- 1. NAME [intransitive and transitive] to write your \(^1\)signature on something to show that you wrote it, agree with it, or were present:
 - Sign here, please.
 - The artist had <u>signed</u> his <u>name</u> in the corner of the painting.
 - You forgot to sign the cheque.
 - Over a hundred people have signed the petition.
 - Serena signs her autograph every time she's asked.
 - a signed photo of Paul McCartney
- 2. sign an agreement /contract/treaty etc to make a document, agreement etc official and legal by writing your signature on it:

 France has just signed a new trade deal with Japan.
- **3**. **MUSIC/SPORT** [intransitive and transitive] if a football team or music company signs someone, or if someone signs for them, that person signs a contract in which they agree to work for them:
 - CBS Records had signed her back in 1988 on a three-album contract.

sign for/to/with

- Miller worked in the shipyards before signing for Rangers.
- Before long, they had signed with Virgin.
- 4. sign on the dotted line informal to officially agree to something by signing a contract:
 - Make sure the repairs are done before you sign on the dotted line.
- 5. sign a bill/legislation/agreement into law if someone in authority signs something into law, they make it part of the law by

signing an official document

6. (all) signed and sealed (also (all) signed, sealed, and delivered) with all the necessary legal documents signed:

It'll all be signed and sealed by Friday, and you can move in then.

7. USE MOVEMENTS [intransitive] to try to tell someone something or ask them to do something by using signs and movements SYN signal

sign to somebody to do something

He signed to the maid to leave the room.

sign for somebody to do something

She signed for us to go inside.

8. LANGUAGE [intransitive and transitive] to use, or translate something into, 1 sign language

—signer noun [countable]

THESAURUS

- write to use a pen or pencil to make words, letters etc: Have you written a shopping list? | The children are learning to read and write
- write something down to write something on paper, in order to remember it or make a record: He wrote down everything she said.
- put to write something in a particular place, or to write particular words: I've put the dates of the meetings in my diary. | At the end of the email she put 'PS I love you'.
- put something in writing to write something that you have agreed or promised, so that there is an official record: They said they would pay me 50%, but they haven't actually put it in writing.
- make a note of something to write information that you might need later: I'll just make a note of your address. | Make a note in your diary.
- take notes to write things while someone is speaking or while something is happening, so that you can use them later: His lawyer was with him taking notes.
- scrawl /skro□l\$ skro□l to write something carelessly and untidily, especially in big letters often used to show disapproval: Someone had scrawled graffiti on the school wall. | He'd scrawled a few unhelpful comments at the bottom of my work.
- fill something in/out to write information on a form or other official document: Please fill in the application form in black ink. | Would you mind filling out a questionnaire?
- sign to write your name at the end of a letter, document etc: Read the contract carefully, and then sign it. | Don't forget to sign your name.

sign something ↔ away phrasal verb

to sign a document that gives your property or legal rights to someone else:

- She had signed away all claims to the house.
- I felt as if I was signing away my life.

sign for something phrasal verb

to sign a document to prove that you have received something:

This is a registered letter – someone will have to sign for it.

sign in phrasal verb

- 1. to write your name on a form, in a book etc when you enter a place such as a hotel, office, or club:
 - Remember to sign in at reception.
- 2. sign somebody ↔ in to write someone else's name in a book so that they are allowed to enter a club, an office etc sign off phrasal verb
- 1. informal to end a radio or television programme by saying goodbye
- **2**. to write your final message at the end of an informal letter:
 - It's getting late, so I'll sign off now. Love, John.
- 3. sign somebody off British English if a doctor signs someone off, he or she gives them a note saying that they are ill and not able to work:
 - For the last month, she has been <u>signed</u> <u>off sick</u> from work.
- **4. sign something ⇔ off British English**, **sign off on something American English** to show that you approve of a plan or that something is finished by signing an official document:
 - Major repainting work now needs to be signed off by a qualified engineer.

sign on phrasal verb

- 1. British English to state officially that you are unemployed by signing a form, so that you can get money from the government
- 2. to sign a document to show that you agree to work for someone

sign on as

He signed on as a soldier in the US army.

sign on with

I'll probably have to sign on with a nursing agency.

sign out phrasal verb

- 1. to write your name in a book when you leave a place such as a hotel, an office, or a club
- 2. sign something
 → out to write your name on a form or in a book to show that you have taken or borrowed something:
 - Bernstein signed out a company car.
- 3. sign somebody →out to write in a book that someone is allowed to leave somewhere such as a school, an office etc:
 - Parents must sign pupils out when collecting them for doctor's or dentist's appointments.

sign something ↔ over phrasal verb

to sign an official document that gives your property or legal rights to someone else

sign something ↔overto

When he became ill, he signed his property in France overto his son. sign up phrasal verb 1. to put your name on a list for something because you want to take part in it sign up for I'm thinking of signing up for a yoga course. sign up to do something Over half the people who signed up to do engineering were women. 2. sign somebody

up if someone is signed up by an organization, they sign a contract in which they agree to work for that organization: Several well-known researchers have been signed up for the project. III. 'star sign BrE * AmE * (also sign) noun [countable] one of the 12 signs of the 1zodiac (=the system that uses people's birth dates to say what will happen to them in the future) Freakuency Pack sign ₁₂₅₀₀894^{MCW} 15000496COCA RANGE: 1k SIGN 97589 sign 42169 signed ²³²⁴⁴ signing 6551 signs 24946 unsigned 363 signer 154

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