

lament

1. [lə'ment] *n*
 1. плач, рыдания, стенания; горькие жалобы
 2. элегия, жалобная песнь
 3. похоронная песнь (часто исполняемая на волынке; *тж.* funeral lament)
2. [lə'ment] *v*
 - 1) плакать, оплакивать; стенать, горько жаловаться
to lament the death of a friend, to lament for a friend - оплакивать (смерть) друга
 - 2) горевать, сокрушаться; сетовать
to lament one's failure - сокрушаться о своей неудаче
to lament one's fate - роптать на (свою) судьбу
to lament one's youth - оплакивать свою молодость

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

lam-ent [lament laments lamented lamenting] *verb, noun* BrE [lə'ment]

NAme [lə'ment]

verb ~ sth | ~ that... | + speech (formal)

to feel or express great sadness or disappointment about sb/sth

Syn: †bemoan, **Syn:** †bewail

- In the poem he laments the destruction of the countryside.
- She sat alone weeping, lamenting her fate.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	lament
	BrE /lə'ment/
	NAme /lə'ment/
he / she /it	laments
	BrE /lə'ments/
	NAme /lə'ments/
past simple, past participle	lamented
	BrE /lə'mentd/
	NAme /lə'mentd/
-ing form	lamenting
	BrE /lə'mentɪŋ/
	NAme /lə'mentɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as a verb): from French *lamenter* or Latin *lamentari*, from *lamenta* (plural) 'weeping , wailing' .

noun (formal)

a song, poem or other expression of great sadness for sb who has died or for sth that has ended

- a nostalgic lament for lost love

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I. **la-ment**¹ /lə'ment/ BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ *verb* *written*

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: French; Origin: *lamenter*, from Latin *lamentari*, from *lamentum* 'a lament']

1. [*intransitive and transitive*] to express feelings of great sadness about something:
The nation lamented the death of its great war leader.
2. [*transitive*] to express annoyance or disappointment about something you think is unsatisfactory or unfair

lament that

- He lamented that people had expected too much of him too soon.
- She lamented the fact that manufacturers did not produce small packs for single-person households.

lament the lack/absence/decline etc of something

- Steiner lamented the lack of public interest in the issue.

II. **lament**² BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

a song, piece of music, or something that you say, that expresses a feeling of sadness:

- A lone piper played a lament.

lament for

- a lament for the dead

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