# relic

['relik] n 1. часто pl

### 1) след, остаток реликт

a relic of early civilization - реликт древней цивилизации

stone implements are precious relics of prehistoric times - каменные орудия - ценные остатки материальной культуры доисторической эпохи

## 2) пережиток

relics of superstition - пережитки суеверий

### 2. сувенир, реликвия

to keep smth. as a relic - хранить что-л как сувенир

3. часто pl

### 1) церк. мощи; реликвии

a holy relic - святые мощи

## 2) поэт. останки

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#### relic [relic relics] BrE ['relik] NAmE ['relik] noun

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# 1. ~ (of/from sth) an object, a tradition, a system, etc. that has survived from the past

- The building stands as the last remaining relic of the town's cotton industry.
- · Videotapes may already seem like relics of a bygone era.
- . The pictures on the walls were relics from the days before her marriage.
- Our transportation system is a relic of the past.

2. a part of the body or clothing of a holy person, or sth that they owned, that is kept after their death and respected as a religious object

holy relics

## Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French relique (originally plural), from Latin reliquiae feminine plural (used as a noun) of reliquus 'remaining', based on linquere 'to leave'.

## Example Bank:

- He seemed to view her as a quaint relic of the past.
- It was the last relic of the old system.
- Most of these guns are relics from the Boer War.
- · The duke secretly removed the relics from the reliquary.
- The relics were discovered in a lead box in the ruins of an abbey.
- They believe that hunting is a relic of the past and are calling for it to be banned.
- . This silver belt buckle is the only relic of the battle that survives
- · a relic of the time when people hunted their own food
- a relic of the time when people travelled by horse and carriage
- relics of a bygone age

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#### rel ic /'relik/ BrE AmE noun [countable]

[Date: 1200-1300, Language: Old French; Origin: relique, from Latin reliquiae 'things left behind', from relinquere; a <sup>†</sup>relinquish]

1. an old object or custom that reminds people of the past or that has lived on from a past time:

Roman relics found in a field

relic of

- the books and photos, relics of Rob's university days
- Everything in the house seemed old and untouched, like relics of an ancient time.

2. a part of the body or clothing of a holy person which is kept after their death because it is thought to be holy

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