

amalgam[ə'mælgəm] *n*1. *слец.* амальгама

2. смесь, сплав, соединение, сочетание

his character is a strange amalgam of contradictory traits - в его характере причудливо уживаются противоречивые черты

amalgam of good and evil - сочетание добра и зла

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amalgam [amalgam amalgams] *BrE* [ə'mælgəm] ^m *NAmE* [ə'mælgəm] ^m**noun**1. **countable, usually singular** ~ (of sth) (formal) a mixture or combination of things

• The film script is an amalgam of all three books.

• an amalgam of several companies and organizations

2. **uncountable (technical)** a mixture of ↑mercury and another metal, used especially to fill holes in teethWord Origin:late 15th cent.: from French **amalgame** or medieval Latin **amalgama**, from Greek **malagma** 'an emollient'.**amalgam**

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amalgam /ə'mælgəm/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **noun**

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: amalgame, from Medieval Latin amalgama, probably from Greek malagma 'softening substance']

[countable] **formal** a mixture of different things**amalgam of**

• an amalgam of different styles

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THESAURUS• **mixture** several different substances, ideas, qualities etc that have been put together, especially so that they form one thing:

Pour the mixture into the cake pan and bake for 50 minutes. | He looked at her with a mixture of admiration and curiosity.

• **combination** two or more different things, substances etc that are used together or work together: Doctors use a combination of drugs to combat the disease. | The business failed due to a combination of bad management and a lack of experience.• **blend** a mixture of two or more things, qualities, or characteristics, especially ones that combine successfully or in a pleasant way: The England team is a good side, with a nice blend of experience and youthful energy. | The sauce uses a blend of different ingredients.• **a cross between something and something** a mixture of very different things – used when you are describing what something looks or sounds like: The building looked like a cross between a museum and a spaceship. | Her music sounds like a cross between the Rolling Stones and Amy Winehouse.• **hybrid** /'haɪbrəd, 'haɪbrɪd/ something that is produced by combining two or more things, especially using advanced scientific methods: Scientists are combining human and animal embryos to create genetic hybrids. | These industries use a hybrid of different technologies. | The plant is a hybrid of wheat and rye.• **amalgam** /ə'mælgəm/ **formal** a mixture of different things, in which you can still recognize the original features: The record is an amalgam of hard rock, jazz, and blues.• **synthesis** **formal** something that has been made by combining different things, especially information or ideas: The essay should be a synthesis of the information from various sources.**amalgam**

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