

**bystander**

['baɪ, stændə] *n*

свидетель (*происходящих событий*); (безучастный) наблюдатель

casual bystander - случайный свидетель

sympathetic bystander - сочувственно наблюдающий (за чем-л.) человек

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**by-stand-er** [bystander bystanders] *BrE* ['baɪstændə(r)] *AmE* ['baɪstændər]

**noun**

a person who sees sth that is happening but is not involved

**Syn:** †onlooker

- **innocent bystanders** at the scene of the accident

Synonyms:

**witness**

observer • onlooker • passer-by • bystander • eyewitness

These are all words for a person who sees sth happen.

**witness** • a person who sees sth happen and is able to describe it to other people; a person who gives evidence in a court of law:

▪ Police have appealed for witnesses to the accident.

**observer** • a person who sees sth happen: ▪ According to observers, the plane exploded shortly after take-off.

**onlooker** • a person who watches sth that is happening but is not involved in it: ▪ A crowd of onlookers gathered at the scene of the crash.

**passer-by** • a person who is going past sb/sth by chance, especially when sth unexpected happens: ▪ Police asked passers-by if they had witnessed the accident.

**bystander** • a person who is near and can see what is happening when sth such as an accident or fight takes place: ▪ Three innocent bystanders were killed in the crossfire.

**eyewitness** • a person who has seen a crime or accident and can describe it afterwards

a(n) witness/observer/onlooker/passers-by/bystander/an eyewitness **sees** sth

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Example Bank:

- Three innocent bystanders were killed in the crossfire.

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**by-stand-er** /'baɪ, stændə -ər/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

someone who watches what is happening without taking part **SYN** onlooker:

▪ Several innocent bystanders were killed by the blast.

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