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 1. ['kwɔ:tə] n
    1. четверть, четвёртая часть
     a quarter of a pound [of a dollar, of a yard, of a mile] - четверть фунта [доллара, ярда, мили]
     a quarter of an apple - четверть яблока
     a mile and a quarter - миля с четвертью
     to divide smth. into quarters - разделить что-л. на четыре части
     a quarter of a year - квартал, три месяца
     for (a) quarter (of) the price - за четверть цены
     what's the quarter of 64? - чему равна четвёртая часть от 64?
    2. четверть часа, пятнадцать минут
     a quarter to /aмер. of/ one - без четвертичас
     a quarter past one - четверть второго
     some clocks strike the quarters - некоторые часы бьют каждые четверть часа
    3. 1) квартал, четверть года, три месяца
     to pay for smth. at the end of each quarter - платить за что-л в конце каждого квартала
     several quarter s' rent - квартплатаза несколько кварталов
     a whole quarter's pay - трёхмесячное жалование
    2) разг. квартплатаза квартал
    3) школ. четверть
     he had a quarter at French - он одну четверть занимался французским
    амер.
    1) четверть доллара, 25 центов
     to be a quarter cheaper - быть на 25 центов дешевле
    2) монета в 25 центов
    5. 1) кул. четвертина (туши )
     fore quarter - передняя часть, лопатка
     hind quarter - задняя часть, окорок
     a quarter of beef [of mutton] - четверть говяжьей [бараньей] туши
    доля (вымени)
    3) уст. четвёртая часть тела человека
    6. 1) квартер (мера веса )
     gross quarter - длинный квартер (= 28 фунтов, \approx12,7 кг)
     short quarter - короткий квартер (= 25 фунтов, \approx11,34 кг)
    2) квартер (мера объёма сыпучих тел; ≈291 л)
    7. 1) четверть мили
    2) спорт. бег на четверть мили
    8. мор. четверть румба
    9. = quarter-deck 1
     on the quarter - на корме
    10. стр. деревянный четырёхгранный брус
    11. задник (сапога)
    12. боковая сторона копыта (у лошади)
    13. геральд. четверть геральдического щита
    14. астр. четверть (Луны )
     the first [the last] quarter - первая [последняя] четверть (Луны)
    Ш
    1. 1) квартал
     residential quarter - квартал жилых домов
    2) район, часть города
     in the southern quarter - в южной части города
     a student quarter - \cong студенческий городок
     in the industrial quarter of 'the city - в промышленном районе города
    2. страна света, часть света
     the four quarters of the globe - все части земного шара, все страны света
    3. место, сторона
     a distant quarter - отдалённый уголок
     from every quarter - отовсюду, со всех сторон
     from all quarters of the earth - отовсюду
     from no quarter - ниоткуда
     they gathered from all quarters of Europe - они съехались из всех уголков Европы
     from what quarter does the wind blow? - с какой стороны дует ветер?
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to apply /to address oneself/ to the proper quarter - обратиться в нужное место 2) источник (помощи,  $\,$  информации)

business quarters - деловые круги

in the highest quarters - в высших кругах /сферах/

4. 1) круг лиц; сфера; круги

he could expect no help from that quarter - он не мог ожидать помощи оттуда to obtain information from a reliable quarter - получать информацию из надёжного источника Ш 1. пощада, снисхождение to ask for quarter - просить пощады to give quarter - пощадить жизнь (сдавшегося на милость победителя) to receive quarter - получить пощаду 2. выдержка; терпеливость терпимость 3. приём, обхождение to give smb. fair quarter - оказать кому-л. хороший приём to meet ill quarter from smb. - быть плохо принятым кем-л., встретить холодный приём с чьей-л. стороны to have a bad quarter of an hour - пережить несколько неприятных минут to beat up smb.'s quarters - навещать кого-л. запросто the fifth quarter - шкура и жир убитого животного to keep a quarter - шумно вести себя not a quarter so /as/ good - вовсе не так хорош 2. ['kwɔ:tə] V 1. 1) делить, разделить на четыре равные части to quarter an apple [an orange] - разделить яблоко [апельсин] на четыре равные части 2) редк. делить на части 2. ист. четвертовать 3. геральд. 1) делить (щит) на четверти 2) помещать в одной из четвертей щита (новый герб) 4. астр. вступать в новую фазу (о Луне) ['kwɔ:tə] V 1. 1) расквартировывать, ставить на постой (особ. войска) to quarter troops in a city - расквартировывать войска в городе to quarter upon smb. - ставить на постой к кому-л. 2) расквартировываться, размещаться по квартирам 3) квартировать, жить (где-л.) 4) *refl* селиться to quarter oneself on /with/ smb. - поселиться у кого-л. 2. 1) рыскать (об охотничьих собаках) to quarter a covert [a field] - рыскать в чаще [по полю] мор. рыскать

3. уступать дорогу; сворачивать в сторону, чтобы разъехаться 4. мор. идти в бакштаг

to quarter the sea - бороздить море

# quarter

noun

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

quar-ter [quarter quarters quartered quartering] noun, verb BrE ['kwo to()] NAmE ['kwɔ□rtə]r\*

1 OF 4 PARTS

- 1. (also fourth especially in NAmE) countable one of four equal parts of sth
  - · a quarter of a mile
  - The programme lasted an hour and a quarter.
  - · Cut the apple into quarters.
  - The theatre was about three guarters full.

# 15 MINUTES

- 2. countable a period of 15 minutes either before or after every hour
  - It's (a) quarter to four now— I'll meet you at (a) quarter past.
  - (NAmE also) It's quarter of four now— I'll meet you at quarter after.

### **3 MONTHS**

- 3. countable a period of three months, used especially as a period for which bills are paid or a company's income is calculated
  - The rent is due at the end of each quarter.
  - Our gas bill for the last quarter was much higher than usual.
  - Sales were down 10% in the first quarter of 2009.

## **PART OF TOWN**

- 4. countable, usually singular a district or part of a town
  - the Latin quarter
- · the historic quarter of the city

# PERSON/GROUP

- 5. countable a person or group of people, especially as a source of help, information or a reaction
  - Support for the plan came from an unexpected guarter.
  - The news was greeted with dismay in some quarters .

#### **25 CENTS**

6. countable a coin of the US and Canada worth 25 cents

#### **ROOMS TO LIVE IN**

- 7. quarters plural rooms that are provided for soldiers, servants, etc. to live in
  - We were moved to more comfortable living quarters .
  - married quarters

#### OF MOON

- 8. countable the period of time twice a month when we can see a quarter of the moon
  - The moon is in its first quarter.

#### **IN SPORT**

9. countable one of the four periods of time into which a game of ^American football is divided

#### **WEIGHT**

- 10. countable (BrE) a unit for measuring weight, a quarter of a pound; 4 \( \frac{1}{2} \) ounces
- 11. countable a unit for measuring weight, 28 pounds in the UK or 25 pounds in the US; a quarter of a hundredweight

# PITY

12. uncountable (old-fashioned or literary) pity that sb shows towards an enemy or opponent who is in their power

# Syn: ↑mercy

· His rivals knew that they could expect no quarter from such a ruthless adversary.

see at/from close quarters at 1 close 2 adi

# Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French quartier, from Latin quartarius 'fourth part of a measure', from quartus 'fourth', from quattuor 'four'.

#### **Grammar Point:**

### half / whole / quarter

Quarter, half and whole can all be nouns: ■ Cut the apple into quarters. ♦ Two halves make a whole.

Whole is also an adjective: I've been waiting here for a whole hour.

Half is also a determiner. ■ Half (of) the work is already finished. ♦ They spent half the time looking for a parking space. ♦ Her house is half a mile down the road. Note that you do not put a or the in front of half when it is used in this way: ■ I waited for half an hour ♦ I waited for a half an hour.

Half can also be used as an adverb • This meal is only half cooked.

#### Example Bank:

- He was confined to quarters as a punishment.
- Profits fell during the third quarter.
- · The corporal and his family lived in married quarters.
- The problem was being discussed in all quarters.
- There was no comment from official quarters on the allegations.
- a quarter of a century/mile/million
- · a quarter of all potential customers
- · a quarter of an hour
- · six consecutive quarters of improved earnings
- · the current fiscal quarter
- the president's private quarters
- Ford scored the winning touchdown early in the fourth quarter.
- She lives in the Latin quarter of Paris.
- The historic quarter of the city is full of grand buildings.
- The robbery took place in a normally quiet quarter of the town.

#### verb

#### **DIVIDE INTO 4**

- 1. ~ sth to cut or divide sth into four parts
  - She peeled and quartered an apple.

#### **PROVIDE ROOMS**

2. ~ sb (+ adv./prep.) (formal) to provide sb with a place to eat and sleep

• The soldiers were quartered in the town.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	quarter
	BrE / 'kwɔ:tə(r)/
	NAmE / kwo:rtar/
he / she /it	quarters
	BrE / 'kwo:taz/
	NAmE / kwo:rtarz/
past simple, past participle	quartered
	BrE / 'kwɔ:təd/
	NAmE / kwo:rtard/
-ing form	quartering
	BrE / 'kwɔ:tərɪŋ/
	NAmE / kwo:rtarin/

## Word Origin:

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## Example Bank:

• Three hundred soldiers were quartered in the town.

See also: fourth

# quarter

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I. quar ter S1 W2 / kwo tes kwo rter BrE AmE noun [countable]

[Word Family: noun: †quarter, quarters, †quarterly; verb †quarter, adverb †quarterly; adjective: †quarterly]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: quartier, from Latin quartarius, from quartus 'fourth']

1. AMOUNT one of four equal parts into which something can be divided ⇒ half, third

### a/one quarter (of something)

- a quarter of a mile
- roughly one quarter of the city's population
- It's about a page and a quarter.

#### three quarters (of something) (=75%)

three quarters of a million pounds

#### the first/second etc quarter

- in the last quarter of the 19th century
- Cut the cake into quarters.
- ▶ Say a quarter of something, not 'quarter of' something.
- 2. PART OF AN HOUR a period of 15 minutes:
  - I'll meet you in a quarter of an hour.
  - She arrived three quarters of an hour (=45 minutes) late.
  - (a) quarter to (something) (also (a) quarter of (something) ) American English (=15 minutes before the hour) It's a quarter of two.
  - (a) quarter past (something) British English also (a) quarter after (something) )American English (=15 minutes after the hour)

    "I'll meet you at a quarter past ten.
- 3. MONEY a coin used in the US and Canada worth 25 cents
- 4. THREE MONTHS a period of three months, used especially when discussing business and financial matters

# the first/second/third/fourth quarter

- The company's profits rose by 11% in the first quarter of the year.
- Our database is updated every quarter. ⇒ †quarterly(1)
- 5. SPORT one of the four equal periods of time into which games of some sports are divided

# the first/second/third/fourth quarter

- The home side took the lead in the second quarter.
- **6. PART OF A CITY** [usually singular] an area of a town:
  - I found a small flat in the student quarter.
  - Granada's ancient Arab quarter
  - a historic quarter of the city
- 7. HOME quarters [plural] the rooms that are given to someone to live in as part of their job, especially servants or soldiers:
  - The top floor provided living quarters for the kitchen staff.
  - Most of the officers live in married quarters (=houses where soldiers live with their wives).
- **8. COLLEGE** *American English* one of the four periods into which a year at school or college is divided, continuing for 10 to 12 weeks ⇒ **semester**:
  - What classes are you taking this quarter?
- 9. MOON the period of time twice a month when you can see a quarter of the moon's surface
- **10**. **in/from** ... **quarters** among or from different groups of people:
  - Offers of financial help came from several quarters.
- Doubts were expressed in many quarters.
- 11. all quarters of the Earth/globe literary everywherein the world

**12**. **give/receive no quarter** *literary* if someone gives no quarter, they do not show any pity or gentleness when dealing with someone, especially an enemy:

It was a fight to the death, with no quarter given.

⇒ at close quarters at ¹close²(20)

# **THESAURUS**

- area a part of a town or country, or of the world: They live in a very wealthy area. I coastal areas
- region a large area of a country or the world: the northwest region of Russia | desert regions
- **zone** an area that is different from other areas around it in some way: a war zone | a no-parking zone | We crossed two different time zonesareas where there is a particular time compared to the rest of the world.
- **district** one of the areas a city or town is officially divided into, or an area of a city where a particular group live or an activity happens: the Chelsea district of Manhattan | the business/financial/theatre etc district: the financial district of London
- neighbourhood *British English*, neighborhood *American English* /'neɪbəhʊd \$ -ər-/ an area of a town where people live: a friendly neighbourhood | There are lots of trees in our neighborhood.
- suburb an area outside the centre of a city, where people live: a suburb of Boston
- quarter an area of a town or city where people of a particular nationality live: the French quarter of New Orleans
- slum an area of a city that is in very bad condition, where many poor people live: He grew up in the slums of East London.
- ghetto an area of a city where poor people of a particular race or class live: a black baby born in the ghetto
- **II.** quarter <sup>2</sup> BrE \* AmE \* verb [transitive]

[Word Family: noun: †quarter, quarters, †quarterly; verb †quarter, adverb †quarterly; adjective: †quarterly]

- 1. to cut or divide something into four parts ⇒ halve:
  - Quarter the tomatoes and place them round the dish.
- 2. [usually passive] formal to provide someone with a place to sleep and eat, especially soldiers:
  - Our troops were guartered in Boston until June.

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