

heathen**1.** ['hi:ð(ə)n] *n*

1. язычник; язычница
the heathen - *собир.* язычники

2. *библ.* нееврей

3. варвар, дикарь, невежественный человек, неуч

2. ['hi:ð(ə)n] *a*

1. 1) языческий
heathen customs - языческие обычаи

2) не верящий в бога

2. варварский, дикий, невежественный

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hea-then [**heathen** **heathens**] *noun, adjective* *BrE* ['hi:ð̩n̩] *NAmE* ['hi:ð̩n̩]

noun (old-fashioned, offensive)

1. used by people who have a strong religious belief as a way of referring to a person who has no religion or who believes in a religion that is not one of the world's main religions

2. used to refer to a person who shows lack of education

Word Origin:

Old English hæðen, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **heiden** and German **Heide**; generally regarded as a specifically Christian use of a Germanic adjective meaning 'inhabiting open country', from the base of **↑heath**.

adjective (old-fashioned, offensive)

connected with **↑heathens**

• heathen gods

• He set out to convert **the heathen** (= people who are **↑heathens**).

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I. hea then ¹ /'hi:ð̩n/ *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *adjective* *old-fashioned*

not connected with or belonging to the Christian religion or any of the large established religions

II. heathen ² *BrE* ² *AmE* ² *noun* (plural **heathen** or **heathens**) [*countable*] *old-fashioned*

[*Language*: Old English; *Origin*: hæthen]

1. someone who is not connected with the Christian religion or any of the large established religions – used to show disapproval ⇒

pagan

2. someone who refuses to believe in something – often used humorously

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