sister

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1. ['sistə] *n* 1. 1) сестра

full sister - родная /полнородная/ сестра

one's big [little] sister - старшая сестра [младшая сестрёнка]

2) разг. единокровная или единоутробная сестра

3) разг. сводная сестра

4) разг. см. sister-in-law

5) сестра, единомышленница

Japanese women and their European sisters - японки и их сёстры в странах Европы

the younger sister in the family of industrial nations - младшая сестра в семье промышленных держав

2. (старшая) медицинская сестра

3. рел.

1) сестра во Христе

erring sister - заблудшая сестра

2) монахиня, член женского монашеского ордена

а Sister of Mercy - монахиня, принадлежащая к ордену милосердия

4. прост. сестрёнка, сестрица (обращение)

5. амер. сестра (обращение к соратницам по феминистскому движению за освобождение женщины)

6. *pl* (the Sisters) = Seven Sisters

⊘ Sister Anne - фольк. сестрица Анна, верная подруга

the fatal /the three/ sisters - богини судьбы, мойры, парки

the nine sisters - музы

sister of the Charterhouse - ярая спорщица

the Weird Sisters *cm*. weird II 🔗

sister Susie - женщина-солдат

2. ['sıstə] a

родственный, сестринский

sister branch [enterprise] - родственное /сестринское/ отделение [предприятие]; филиал

sister languages - близкородственные языки

sister vessel - однотипное судно

3. ['sistə] *v редк.*

1. относиться по-сестрински

2. называть сестрой

sister

sis·ter [sister sisters] BrE ['sɪstə(r)] * NAmE ['sɪstər] * noun

1. a girl or woman who has the same mother and father as another person

- She's my sister.
- an older/younger sister
- (informal) a big/little/kid sister
- We're sisters.
- Do you have any brothers or sisters?
- My best friend has been like a sister to me (= very close) .

see also *half-sister*, *stepsister*

2. used for talking to or about other members of a women's organization or other women who have the same ideas, purpose, etc. as yourself

• They supported their sisters in the dispute.

3. Sister (BrE) a senior female nurse who is in charge of a hospital [†]ward

see also [†]charge nurse

- 4. Sister a female member of a religious group, especially a ¹nun
- Sister Mary
- the Sisters of Charity
- 5. (in the US) a member of a †sorority (= a club for a group of female students at a college or university)
- 6. (NAmE, informal) used by black people as a form of address for a black woman
- 7. (usually used as an adjective) a thing that belongs to the same type or group as sth else
- our sister company in Italy
- a sister ship

Word Origin:

Old English, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch zuster and German Schwester, from an Indo-European root shared by Latin soror.

Example Bank:

- · Carolyn's sorority sisters at Indiana University
- Have you got any brothers and sisters?
- I have no brothers or sisters.
- The girls are so close, they're like sisters.
- a refugee who traced his long-lost sister
- my bratty little sister

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sister S1 W1 /'sistə \$ -ər/ BrE * AmE * noun [countable]

[Language: Old English; Origin: sweostor]

1. a girl or woman who has the same parents as you \Rightarrow brother, half-sister, step-sister.

- Janet and Abby are sisters.
- He has two sisters and a brother.

older/big sister

My older sister is a nurse.

younger/little sister

Where's your little sister?

She's my twin sister.

2. sister paper/publication/company etc a newspaper etc that belongs to the same group or organization:

the Daily Post's sister paper, the Liverpool Echo

- 3. (also Sister) a ↑nun:
 - Good morning, Sister Mary.
- 4. British English (also Sister) a nurse in charge of a hospital [†]ward:
 - the <u>ward</u> sister
 - ^{*} I'm feeling a bit better today, Sister.
- 5. a word used by women to talk about other women and to show that they have feelings of friendship and support towards them: We appeal to our sisters all over the world to stand by us.
- 6. American English spoken a way of talking to or about an African-American woman, used especially by African Americans

COLLOCATIONS

adjectives

- an older sister (also an elder sister especially British English) He had two older sisters, Karen and Jacqueline.
- a big sister (=an older sister) She misses her big sister dreadfully.
- a younger sister Mary showed a lot of aggressive behaviourtowards her younger sister.
- a little/kid sister (=a younger sister) She was very fond of her little sister.
- a baby sister (=a sister who is still a baby) He wanted a baby sister.
- a twin sister He is devoted to his twin sister.
- a half-sister (=a sister with only one parent the same as yours) She doesn't see her half-sister very often.

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