song

[sɒŋ] n

1. песня

drinking song - застольная

prick song - дразнилка

give us a song - спойте нам что-нибудь

2. пение

the lark's song - пение /песня/ жаворонка the song of a brook - журчание ручейка to break /to burst forth/ into song - запеть

3. лит. песнь

the Song of Songs - *библ*. Песнь песней the Song of Roland - Песнь о Роланде the song of praise - хвалебная песнь

4. амер. разг. шум, скандал

he put up quite a song on - поднял страшный шум /устроил целый скандал/

5. сл. признание (арестованного) с выдачей сообщников; донос (в полицию и т. п.)

⊘ song and dance - амер. сл. а) пустословие, пустяки; б) пустые отговорки

every time she is late she gives me a song and dance about oversleeping - при каждом опоздании она рассказывает мне сказку, что проспала

to make a song (and dance) about smth. - раздувать какое-л. событие; поднимать шум вокруг чего-л.

nothing to make a song about - нечто, не заслуживающее внимания /не имеющее значения/

to change one's song - запеть на другой лад, сбавить тон, присмиреть

not worth an old song - \cong гроша ломаного не стоит

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to buy [to sell] for a song /for an old song/ - купить [продать] за бесценок
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to sing the same song overand overagain - тянуть старую песню

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song [song songs] BrE [spŋ] NAmE [sɔ□ŋ noun

1. countable a short piece of music with words that you sing

- a folk/love/pop, etc. song
- We sang a song together.
- She taught us the words of a French song.

see also †swansong

2. uncountable songs in general; music for singing

- The story is told through song and dance.
- Suddenly he burst into song (= started to sing) .
- Their voices were raised in song.

see also †plainsong

3. uncountable, countable the musical sounds that birds make

• the song of the blackbird

more at sing from the same hymn/song sheet at $ising_{v}$.

<u>I diom</u>s[†]for a song = [†]on song = [†]song and dance

Word Origin:

Old English sang, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch zang and German Sang, also to tsing.

Thesaurus:

song noun C

She sang her favouritesong.

track •• tune •• melody •• theme •• number •

a song/track/tune/melody/theme/number by sb

- sing a song/tune/number
- play a song/track/tune/melody/theme/number record a song/track/theme
- record a song/tract

Collocations:

Music

Listening listen to/enjoy/love/be into music/classical music/jazz/pop/hip-hop, etc. listen to the radio/an MP3 player/a CD put on/play a CD/a song/some music turn down/up the music/radio/volume/bass go to a concert/festiva/gig/performance/recital copy/burn/rip music/a CD/a DVD download music/an album/a song/a demo/a video

Playing

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play a musical instrument/the piano/percussion/a note/a riff/the melody/a concerto/a duet/by ear sing an anthem/a ballad/a solo/an aria/the blues/in a choir/soprano/alto/tenor/bass/out of tune hum a tune/a theme tune/a lullaby accompany a singer/choir strum a chord/guitar Performing form/start/get together/join/guit/leave a band give a performance/concert/recital do a concert/recital/gig play a concert/gig/festival/venue perform (BrE) at/in a concert/(especially NAmE) a concert appear at a festival/live go on/embark on a (world) tour Recording write/compose music/a ballad/a melody/a tune/a song/a theme song/an opera/a symphony land/get/sign a record deal be signed to/be dropped by a record company record/release/put out an album/a single/a CD be top of/top the charts

get to/go straight to/go straight in at/enter the charts at number one

Example Bank:

- A rap song came on the radio.
- · After a few drinks, they were all singing bawdy songs at the top of their voices.
- He had a string of hit songs in the 1970s.
- · He heard voices raised in song.
- He released an album of cover songs.
- · He strummed a couple of chords on the guitar and they all burst into song.
- How does the song go?
- I downloaded a song from the I nternet
- I mportarhistorical events were commemorated in song.
- People can become vulnerable to the siren song of extremism.
- · She closed the concert by singing her signature song.
- Sing us a song, Susanna!
- The band were still playing slow songs.
- The old songs sound like Gregorian chants.
- They continue to sing the same old song they have been singing for years.
- They performed another two songs as encores.
- a Hungarian folk song
- · a protest song written in the sixties
- a song about love
- a song called 'Mona Lisa'
- an I rishfolk song
- · emotional ballads and heartfelt torch songs
- · the theme song from 'The Godfather'
- the title song from the Beatles' album 'Help!'
- · Suddenly he burst into song.
- a love/pop/popular song

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[Language: Old English; Origin: sang]

1. MUSIC WITH WORDS

- a) [countable] a short piece of music with words that you sing:
 - We used to listen to pop songs on the radio.
 - They sat round with guitars, singing songs.

b) [uncountable] songs in general:

- The bravery of past warriors was celebrated in song.
- 2. BIRDS [uncountable and countable] the musical sounds made by birds and some other animals such as [†]whales:
- the song of the lark
- 3. for a song very cheaply:
 - He bought the house for a song five years ago.

4. a song and dance (about something) informal

- a) British English if you make a song and dance about something, you behave as if it was worse, more important, more difficult etc than it really is:
 - Suzy was there, making a song and dance about her aching feet.
- **b)** *American English* an explanation or excuse that is too long and complicated:

She <u>gave</u>us a long <u>song</u> and <u>dance</u> about why she was late. ⇒ [↑]swansong

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COLLOCATIONS

verbs

- sing a song He started singing a little song.
- play a song (=with singing and musical instruments) The band played a lot of their old songs.
- perform a song (=in public) He doesn't like performing his songs live.
- write/compose a song Do they write their own songs?
- record a song (=onto a CD so that it can be sold) The song was first recorded in 1982.

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + song

- good/great That's a great song!
- new Are any of the songs on the album new?
- old People always want to hear their old songs.
- a pop/folk song I love all those '60s pop songs.
- a popular song (=used mainly of songs written before the 1960s) a popular song from the 1930s
- a love song He is releasing an album of love songs for Valentine's Day.
- a protest song They were singing old protest songs from the 1960s.
- a Beatles/REM etc song Can you play any Beatles songs?

phrases

• burst/break into song (=start singing) The crowd spontaneously burst into song.

THESAURUS

• song a short piece of music with words that you sing: We sang songs around the campfire. | The song was written by John Lennon.

- track one of the songs on a CD or record: Track three is my favouriteone.
- number a song that forms part of a performance of several songs: The show was brilliant, from the opening number to the end.
- tune the notes in a song, without the words: I recognize the tune, but I can't remember what it's called.

• melody the main series of notes in a piece of music that has several parts which are played together: The song has a simple melody and beautiful lyrics.

• verse a set of sentences that make up one part of a song: She sang the first verse of 'Amazing Grace'.

- chorus a set of sentences in a song that is repeated after each verse: Most of the kids were able to join in the chorus.

types of song

• national anthem the official song of a country, which is sung or played on public occasions: Before the match, everyone stood up to sing the national anthem.

• hymn /him/ a religious song that is sung in a church: What hymns did you choose for your wedding? | At funerals people often sing the hymn 'Abide with Me'.

- carol a traditional Christmas song: We went around the houses, singing carols.
- folk song a traditional song from a particular area: an old Mexican folk song
- ballad a long folk song which tells a story: a traditional ballad about a man who is dreaming of his home in I reland
- lullaby a slow quiet song sung to children to make them go to sleep: She sat by the child's bed, softly singing a lullaby.

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