

famous

[ˈfeɪməs] *a*

1. знаменитый, прославленный, славный, известный
 he is a famous explorer [writer, painter] - он знаменитый исследователь [писатель, художник]
 a town famous for its monuments - город, славящийся своими памятниками
 to be famous for smth. - быть известным /славиться/ чем-л.
2. *разг.* отличный, превосходный
 that's famous! - великолепно!
 he has a famous appetite - у него великолепный аппетит
 famous weather for a swim [a walk] - дивная погода для купания [для прогулки]

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fam-ous *BrE* [ˈfeɪməs] ^u *NAmE* [ˈfeɪməs] ^s **adjective**

known about by many people

- a famous artist/hotel
- the most famous lake in Italy
- One day, I'll be **rich and famous** .
- So this is the famous dress! (= the one we have heard a lot about but have not seen) .
- ~ **for sth** He became internationally famous for his novels.
- ~ **as sth** She was more famous as a writer than as a singer.

see also ↑fame, ↑infamous, ↑notorious, ↑world-famous

Idiom: ↑famous last words

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French **fameus**, from Latin **famosus** 'famed', from **fama**.

Thesaurus:

famous [famous] *adj.*

- He became a world-famous conductor.

well known • • **prominent** • • **renowned** • • **legendary** • • **historic** • |written **famed** • • **celebrated** •

Opp: unknown, **Opp:** obscure

famous/well known/prominent/renowned/famed/celebrated **as** sb

famous/well known/renowned/legendary/famed/celebrated **for** sth

a famous/well known/prominent/renowned/celebrated **author/actor/architect/artist/collection**

a famous/well known/renowned **brand**

Example Bank:

- He was famous as both a teacher and a scientist.
- One day I'll be rich and famous, you'll see!
- The city is justly famous for its nightclubs.
- The school was made famous by its association with Charles Dickens.
- The town became famous for its lace.
- internationally famous rock stars
- He became internationally famous for his novels and poetry.
- He married the daughter of a famous artist.
- It's a restaurant where you often see famous faces.
- Loch Ness is probably the most famous lake in Scotland.
- One day, I'll be rich and famous.
- So this is the famous dress!

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fa **famous** **S2 W2** /ˈfeɪməs/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u **adjective**

[**Word Family:** **adjective:** ↑famed, ↑famous, ↑infamous; **adverb** ↑famously, ↑infamously; **noun:** ↑fame]

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1. **a)** known about by many people in many places:

- a famous actor
- Many famous people have stayed in the hotel.
- The Eiffel Tower is a famous landmark (=a famous place or building that is easy to recognize).

famous for

- France is famous for its wine.

famous as

- Virginia is famous as the birthplace of several US presidents.
- Da Vinci's world-famous portrait of the Mona Lisa

- b) the famous** [**plural**] people who are famous:

- a nightclub used by the rich and famous

2. **famous last words** *spoken* used when someone has said too confidently that they can do something or that something will happen

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- **famous** known about by a lot of people in many places, often all over the world: She always wanted to be famous. | The Mona Lisa is Da Vinci's most famous painting.
- **well-known** known about by a lot of people, especially in a particular place: Shilpa Shetty was well-known in India, but few people in the UK had heard of her. | a well-known brand of cat food
- **celebrated** *written* very well-known and admired: Dalí is one of Spain's most celebrated artists. | Martin Luther King's celebrated speech
- **renowned / noted** famous, especially for a particular thing or activity. **Noted** is more formal than **renowned**: The British are renowned for their love of animals. | The area is noted for its wines. | An internationally renowned chef owns the restaurant.
- **legendary** very famous and greatly admired – used especially about people who have been doing something for a long time or who have died: the legendary blues guitarist, BB King | Her stage performances were legendary.
- **celebrity** *noun* [countable] someone who often appears in newspapers, on television etc and is well-known to the public: The magazine is full of gossip about celebrities. | Reality TV can turn its participants into celebrities.

■ famous because of something bad

- **notorious** /nəʊ'tɔːriəs, nə- \$ nou-, nə-/ famous because of doing something bad: a notorious criminal | a notorious legal case
- **infamous** famous because of doing something very bad, which seems immoral or evil: the infamous attack on the World Trade Center | the infamous Jack the Ripper

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