

sing

1. [sɪŋ] *n*

1. встреча хорового кружка; вечер хорового пения
2. пение; звон (*комаров*); стрекотание; свист (*пули*)
the kettle was on the sing - чайник зашел

2. [sɪŋ] *v* (*sang*, *редк. sung*; *sung*)

1. петь

- to sing a song [a part in an opera] - петь песню [партию в опере]
- to sing to the guitar - петь под гитару
- to sing from score /from music/ - петь по нотам
- to sing off-hand - петь с листа
- to sing in tune - петь правильно
- to sing out of tune - петь неправильно, фальшивить
- she sings over her work - она поёт за работой
- to sing by ear [in chorus] - петь по слуху [хором]
- to sing sharp [flat] - петь на полтона выше [ниже] (*чем нужно*)

2. петься

- these words don't sing well - эти слова трудно петь
- his lyrics sing themselves - его лирические стихи напевны /так и просятся в песню/

3. провожать, встречать *или* сопровождать пением

- to sing the Old Year out - проводить старый год песнями
- to sing a bride to her new house - с песнями проводить новобрачную в её новый дом

4. читать нараспев

5. трещать; звенеть; стрекотать; свистеть; сверчать

- a cricket sings - сверчок поёт /сверчит/
- my ears are singing - у меня звенит в ушах
- it makes my head sing - у меня голова гудит от этого
- the mosquitoes sing round me - комары со звоном вьются вокруг меня
- bullets were singing around us - вокруг нас свистели пули
- the wind sang in the wires - ветер гудел в проводах
- an arrow sang - стрела звенела
- the kettle is singing - чайник поёт
- the music is still singing in my ears - эта музыка всё ещё звучит у меня в ушах

6. воспевать, прославлять

- I sing the Man - я воспеваю Человека
- bards were singing his victory - барды прославляли его победу
- to sing smb.'s praises - петь кому-л. дифирамбы

7. *разг.* похваляться, хвалиться

- there is nothing much to sing about - тут нечем хвастаться

8. ликовать, трепетать от радости

- her heart sang for joy - её сердце пело от радости

9. *сл.* расколоться, сознаться в преступлении и выдать других

- we shall make him sing - мы заставим его признаться и выдать других

10. *редк.* возвещать, объявлять

- ◇ to sing another song /another tune/ - заговорить /запеть/ по-иному
- you will sing different! - ты другое запоёшь!
- to sing small - сбавить тон; приуныть, упасть духом
- to sing to sleep - убаюкать песней
- to sing mass - служить мессы

sing

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• **I** **sing** [**sɪŋ** **sɪŋs** **sɒŋ** **sɪŋɪŋ** **sʊŋ**] *BrE* [sɪŋ] ^m *NAmE* [sɪŋ] ^m **verb** (**sang** *BrE* [sæŋ] ^m ; *NAmE* [sæŋ] ^m , **sung** *BrE* [sʌŋ] ^m ; *NAmE* [sʌŋ] ^m)

1. **intransitive**, **transitive** to make musical sounds with your voice in the form of a song or tune

- She usually sings in the shower.
- I just can't sing in tune!
- He was dancing around and **singing at the top of his voice** (= very loudly) .
- ~ **to sb** He was singing softly to the baby.
- ~ **sth to sb** We all sang 'Happy Birthday' to her.
- Will you sing a song to us?
- ~ **sb sth** Will you sing us a song?
- ~ **sth** Now I'd like to sing a song by the Beatles.
- ~ **sb to sleep** She **sang the baby to sleep** (= sang until the baby went to sleep) .

2. **intransitive** (*of birds*) to make high musical sounds

- The birds were singing outside my window.

3. **intransitive** (+ **adv./prep.**) to make a high ringing sound like a whistle

- Bullets sang past my ears.
- She felt faint and the blood was singing in her head.
- The kettle was singing away on the stove.

more at it's not over until the fat lady sings **at** ↑fat adj.

Idioms: ↑sing a different tune ▪ ↑sing from the same hymn sheet

Derived ↑sing along ▪ ↑sing of something ▪ ↑sing out ▪ ↑sing up

See also: ↑sing out

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	sing
	BrE /sɪŋ/
	NAmE /sɪŋ/
he / she / it	sings
	BrE /sɪŋz/
	NAmE /sɪŋz/
past simple	sang
	BrE /sɔŋ/
	NAmE /sæŋ/
past participle	sung
	BrE /sʌŋ/
	NAmE /sʌŋ/
-ing form	singing
	BrE /'sɪŋɪŋ/
	NAmE /'sɪŋɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English *singan* (verb), of Germanic origin; related to Dutch *zingen* and German *singen*.

Thesaurus:

sing *verb*, T

• Sing us a song.

chant • • **hum** • • **whistle** •

sing/chant/whistle **at** sb/sth

sing/whistle **to** sb/sth

sing/hum/whistle a **song/tune**

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/festival/gig/performance/recital

copy/burn/rip music/a CD/a DVD

download music/an album/a song/a demo/a video

Playing

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/quit/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:

- Have you ever heard the band sing live?
- He was singing quietly to himself.
- Her mother sang her to sleep.
- I can't sing very well.
- Shall I sing to you?
- She could sing a bit and agreed to take part in the show.
- The birds sang louder than ever.

- The lyrics were sung to the tune of the Beatles' 'Eleanor Rigby'.
- Unfortunately, he was singing out of tune.
- We played and sang together.
- boy bands singing about love
- He was dancing around and singing at the top of his voice.
- I just can't sing in tune!
- Now I'd like to sing a song by the Beatles.
- She sang the baby to sleep.

▪ **II. sing** noun singular

- Let's have a sing.

Main entry: ↑sing_{derived}

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sing **S1 W2** /sɪŋ/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ verb (past tense **sang** /sæŋ/, past participle **sung** /sʌŋ/)

[Word Family: noun: ↑singer, ↑singing; verb: ↑sing; adjective: ↑unsung]

[Language: Old English; Origin: singan]



1. WITH YOUR VOICE [intransitive and transitive] to produce a musical sound with your voice:

- She can sing beautifully.
- Most children enjoy singing.
- We had a great time singing some of the old songs.

sing to

- My mother used to sing to me when I was young.
- He was singing to himself quietly.

sing somebody something

- Come on, sing us a song!
- I've never been able to sing in tune (=sing the correct notes).
- She patiently sang the baby to sleep. ⇒ ↑singing

2. BIRDS [intransitive] if birds sing, they produce high musical sounds:

- I could hear the birds singing outside my window.

3. HIGH NOISE [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] to make a high whistling sound:

- A kettle was singing on the stove.

sing past

- A bullet sang past my ear.

4. sing sb's praises to praise someone very much:

- Mrs Edwards was singing your praises today.

5. sing a different tune to say something different from what you said before:

- You're singing a different tune now!

6. be singing from the same hymn sheet/book used to say that a group of people all have the same aims or all express the same opinion on a particular subject:

- Union representatives are all singing from the same hymn sheet on the issue of pay.

7. GIVE INFORMATION [intransitive] *informal* to tell people everything you know about a crime when they ask you questions about it – used especially by criminals and the police:

- I think he'll sing.

sing along *phrasal verb*

to sing with someone else who is already singing:

- Sing along if you know the words.

sing along to

- Jess was singing along to the radio.

sing out *phrasal verb*

1. sing out (something) to shout or sing some words clearly and loudly:

- 'Freeze!' a shrill voice sang out.

2. American English to sing loudly so that people can hear you easily

sing up *phrasal verb* *British English*

to sing more loudly:

- Sing up, boys, I can't hear you!

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