

**quick****1. [kwɪk] n**1. 1) (the quick) **собир.** живые

the quick and the dead - живые и мёртвые

2) **арх.** (живая) натура

to paint smb. to the quick - писать кого-л. с натуры

2. 1) живая изгородь

2) растения такой изгороди

3. 1) наиболее чувствительные участки кожи (**особ.** под ногтями)

to cut [to bite down] one's nails to the quick - срезать [обкусать, обгрызть] ногти до мяса

2) чувства

to sting /to touch, to wound, to cut/ to the quick - задеть /затронуть/ за живое; уязвить /оскорбить/ до глубины души

3) наиболее важная, основная часть (**чего-л.**)

the quick of the matter - основа /суть/ вопроса

**2. [kwɪk] a**

1. быстрый, скорый

quick movement - быстрое движение

quick growth - быстрый /стремительный/ рост

quick journey [walk] - короткая /недолгая/ поездка [прогулка]

quick pulse - частый пульс

quick glance - быстрый /торопливый/ взгляд

quick train - скорый поезд

quick luncheon - завтрак на скорую руку

quick succession of events - быстрая смена событий

to be quick - спешить, торопиться

be quick! - скорей!, проворней!, живей!

do be quick! - торопитесь же!

to walk with short quick steps - идти коротким быстрым шагом

at a quick pace - в быстром темпе, быстро

2. быстрый, проворный, живой, деятельный

quick workman - ловкий /проворный/ работник

quick at /about/ work - быстрый /проворный/ в работе

quick of foot - **разг.** подвижный, быстрый, проворный

to give quick answers - отвечать быстро /не задумываясь/

to be quick at smth. /at doing smth./ - быть способным к чему-л.; делать что-л. ловко /умело/

to be quick in one's decisions - быстро принимать решения

3. 1) сообразительный, смыслённый, находчивый

quick child - сообразительный /смыслённый, понятливый/ ребёнок

not very quick - **эфф.** неспособный, неразвитой (о ребёнке)

quick to learn - понятливый, сообразительный быстро /легко, на лету/ схватывающий

2) острый, хорошо развитой, тонкий (о зрении, слухе, уме и т. п.)

quick sight /eye/ - острое /хорошее/ зрение

quick ear /hearing/ - тонкий слух

he has a quick remembrance of it - он хорошо помнит это, это ещё свежо в его памяти

a quick mind /wit/ - живой /сметливый/ ум

quick understanding - сообразительность, смыслённость, понятливость

a quick and clear spirit - живой и ясный ум

a man of quick observation - наблюдательный человек

3) сильный, глубокий (о чувстве)

to feel a quick repentance - испытывать глубокое раскаяние, глубоко сожалеть

quick resentment - глубокое негодование /-ая неприязнь/

4) **редк.** активный, энергичный

she is quick with life down to her finger-tips - она - сама жизнь; жизнь в ней бьёт ключом

4. 1) быстро реагирующий (на что-л.)

quick to take offence - обидчивый, легко уязвимый

quick to anger - раздражительный

quick with excitement - легко возбудимый

quick to sympathize - отзывчивый

2) вспыльчивый, раздражительный, нетерпеливый

quick temper - вспыльчивость, горячность

quick in temper - вспыльчивый, горячий

5. резкий, крутой (о повороте)

quick turn - внезапный /резкий/ поворот

too quick ascent [descent] - слишком крутой /резкий/ подъём [спуск]

6. состоящий из живых растений (**особ.** из боярышника)

quick fence /hedge/ - живая изгородь

quick pot of flowers - горшок с живыми цветами

7. **ком.** ликвидный, легко реализуемый8. **горн.** рудоносный

quick vein of ore - рудоносная жила

9. **геол.** плавучий; сыпучий

quick mud - жидкая грязь

10. **редк.** податливый (о породе, почве)

11. **редк.** стремительный (о реках, потоках)

12. **редк.** яркий (о цветах, краске и т. п.)

13. **арх.** горящий, полыхающий, раскалённый

14. **арх.** живой (**противоп.** мёртвый)

quick-born - родившийся живым (в отличие от мёртворождённого)

15. **книжн.** беременная, в положении

quick with child - беременная, в положении

16. **арх.** оживлённый, шумный, бойкий (о городе, торговле и т. п.)

17. 1) игристый, шипучий (о вине)

2) острый, едкий (о запахе и т. п.)

3) острый, меткий, едкий; саркастический (о высказываниях и т. п.)

◇ to have a quick one /drink/ - **разг.** выпить на ходу /залпом/; пропустить стаканчик

as quick as lightning /as a flash/ - с быстротой молнии, мгновенно, молниеносно

quick at meat, quick at work - **посл.** ≅ кто быстро ест, тот быстро работает

3. [kwɪk] **adv**

быстро, скоро; живо, проворно; поспешно

please come quick! - пожалуйста, приходи скорее!

now then, quick! - ну же, скорее!

◇ quick off the mark - без промедления, тотчас, сразу

## quick

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**quick** [quick quicks quicker quickest] **adjective, adverb noun** BrE [kwɪk] <sup>us</sup>

NAmE [kwɪk]

**adjective** (quick-er, quick-est)

1. done with speed; taking or lasting a short time

- She gave him a quick glance.
- These cakes are very quick and easy to make.
- Would you like a quick drink?
- The doctor said she'd make a quick recovery.
- It's quicker by train.
- Are you sure this is the quickest way?
- Have you finished already? That was quick!
- His quick thinking saved her life.
- He fired three shots **in quick succession**.

**see also** ↑double quick

2. moving or doing sth fast

- a quick learner
- ~ **(to do sth)** The kids were quick to learn.
- She was quick (= too quick) to point out the mistakes I'd made.
- Her quick hands suddenly stopped moving.
- Try to **be quick** ! We're late already.
- Once again, his **quick wits** (= quick thinking) got him out of an awkward situation.
- (NAmE, informal) He's a **quick study** (= he learns quickly) .

3. **only before noun** happening very soon or without delay

- We need to make a quick decision.
- The company wants quick results.
- There isn't a quick answer to this problem.

**more at** make a fast/quick buck **at** ↑buck <sub>n.</sub>, be quick/fast on the draw **at** ↑draw <sub>n.</sub>, be quick/slow off the mark **at** ↑mark <sub>n.</sub>, be

quick/slow on the uptake **at** ↑uptake

### Word Origin:

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### Thesaurus:

**quick** **adj.**

1.

- She gave him a quick glance.

**rapid** • • **fast** • • **hurried** • • **speedy** • • **short** • • **brief** • |often disapproving **hasty** • |written **swift** • • **fleeting** •

**Opp: slow**

a quick/rapid/fast/hurried/hasty/swift **exit**

a quick/rapid/fast/speedy/hasty/swift **decision**

a quick/rapid/short/swift **answer/reply/descent**

a quick/rapid/swift/brief/fleeting **look/glance**

2.

- He's a very quick worker.
- fast** • • **brisk** • • **high-speed** • • **express** • • **supersonic** •

**Opp:** slow

quick/fast **at** doing sth

a quick/fast/brisk **movement /pace/walk/run**

a quick/fast **reader /worker/learner /rhythm/walk/run**

**Quick or fast?** Use **fast** to talk about travelling:

- a fast road/car

✗ **a quick road/car** A person may be **fast** or **quick**, but **fast** is not used in expressions where sb does sth in a short time:

- a fast/quick reader/runner/learner
- The kids were quick to learn

✗ **The kids were fast to learn.**

Synonyms:

**fast / quick / rapid**

These adjectives are frequently used with the following nouns:

fast ~ quick ~ rapid ~		
car	glance	change
train	look	growth
bowler	reply	increase
pace	decision	decline
lane	way	progress

Fast is used especially to describe a person or thing that moves or is able to move at great speed.

Quick is more often used to describe something that is done in a short time or without delay.

Rapid, swift and speedy are more formal words.

Rapid is most commonly used to describe the speed at which something changes. It is not used to describe the speed at which something moves or is done: a rapid train ◊ We had a rapid coffee.

Swift usually describes something that happens or is done quickly and immediately: ▪ a swift decision ◊ ▪ The government took swift action.

Speedy has a similar meaning: ▪ a speedy recovery . It is used less often to talk about the speed at which something moves: a speedy car.

For the use of fast and quick as adverbs, see the usage note at ↑quick.

Example Bank:

- I was getting quite quick at putting up fences.
- It was a mercifully quick end for those condemned to die.
- We'd better be quick.
- a really quick worker
- an extremely quick worker
- meals that are quick and easy to prepare
- He's a very quick worker.
- It's quicker by train.
- She was quick to point out the mistakes I'd made.
- There isn't a quick answer to this problem.
- Try to be quick! We're late already.

Idioms: ↑cut somebody to the quick ▪ ↑have a quick temper ▪ ↑quick and dirty ▪ ↑quick as a flash

**adverb (quick-er, quick-est)**

**1. quickly; fast**

- Come as quick as you can!
- Let's see who can get there quickest.
- It's another of his schemes to **get rich quick** .

**2. quick-** (in adjectives) doing the thing mentioned quickly

- quick-thinking
- quick-growing

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Which Word?:

**quick / quickly / fast**

Quickly is the usual adverb from quick: ▪ I quickly realized that I was on the wrong train. ◊ ▪ My heart started to beat more quickly.

Quick is sometimes used as an adverb in very informal language, especially as an exclamation: ▪ Come on! Quick! They'll see us!

Quicker is used more often: ▪ My heart started to beat much quicker. ◊ ▪ The quicker I get you away from here, the better.

Fast is more often used when you are talking about the speed that somebody or something moves at: ▪ How fast can a cheetah run? ◊▪ Can't you drive any faster? ◊You're driving too quickly. There is no word *fastly*.

## noun the quick singular

the soft, sensitive flesh that is under your nails

- She has bitten her nails down to the quick.

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### I. **quick**<sup>1</sup> *S1 W2* /kwɪk/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> adjective (comparative **quicker**, superlative **quickest**)

[Language: Old English; Origin: *cwic* 'alive']

#### 1. **SHORT TIME** lasting for or taking only a short time:

- That was quick! I thought you'd be another hour.
- It's probably quicker by train.
- Have we got time for a quick drink?
- What's the quickest way to the station?
- We stopped to have a quick look at the church.
- Three bombs went off in quick succession (=quickly, one after the other).

#### 2. **FAST** moving or doing something fast:

- She walked with short, quick steps.
- They were great people to work with – very quick, very efficient.
- Boxers have to be quick on their feet (=able to move about quickly).

#### 3. **NO DELAY** happening very soon, without any delay **SYN** speedy:

- I had to make a quick decision.
- We've put the house on the market and we're hoping for a quick sale.
- We need a quick response from the government.
- Robertson's quick thinking had saved the little girl's life.

#### 4. **CLEVER** able to learn and understand things fast:

- Jane's very witty and very quick.
- She's a quick learner.
- He's a good interviewer, tough and quick on the uptake (=able to understand quickly what someone is saying).

#### 5. **be quick** used to tell someone to hurry:

- If you want to come with me you'll have to be quick – I'm leaving in ten minutes.
- 'Can I just finish this first?' 'OK, but be quick about it.'

#### 6. **be quick to do something** to react quickly to what someone says or does:

- The government was quick to deny any involvement in the attacks.

#### 7. **quick fix** *informal* a solution to a problem that can be done quickly, but is not a good or permanent solution:

- There's no quick fix for stopping pollution.
- Congress is trying to avoid quick-fix solutions.

#### 8. **have a quick temper** to get angry very easily

#### 9. **be quick on the draw**

a) to be able to pull a gun out quickly in order to shoot

b) *American English informal* to be good at reacting quickly and intelligently to difficult questions or in difficult situations

—**quickness** *noun* [uncountable]

⇒ ↑quickly

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## THESAURUS

- **quick** taking only a short time to do something: I took a quick look at the map. | Do I have time for a quick shower before we go out?
- **short** lasting only a short time: You can do a short course in diving. | The meeting was shorter than I'd expected.
- **brief** *especially written* lasting only a short time. **Brief** is more formal than **short**, and is used especially in written English: The President made a brief visit to Buenos Aires. | a brief introduction to Piaget's ideas | a brief pause in the rain
- **rapid** *especially written* happening in a short period of time – used about changes, increases, improvements etc: a rapid increase in crime | the rapid rate of industrial development
- **speedy** happening or done as quickly as possible, especially so that you get the result that you want: Best wishes for a speedy recovery. | The restoration work has been making speedy progress.
- **prompt** done very soon after something else: Thank you for your prompt reply. | the prompt action of the firefighters | Discounts will be offered for prompt payment.
- **hasty** deciding or doing something very quickly, especially when this has bad results: It was a hasty decision, which he later regretted. | They had to make a hasty departure.
- **cursory** *formal* looking at something very quickly without much attention to detail: Even a cursory glance at these figures shows that there is a problem. | The police conducted a cursory search of the property.

### II. **quick**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> interjection

used to tell someone to hurry or come quickly:

- Quick! We'll miss the bus!

### III. quick<sup>3</sup> S3 BrE<sup>\*</sup> AmE<sup>\*</sup> adverb

quickly – many teachers think this is not correct English **SYN fast**

" Come quick! Larry's on TV!

" It all happened pretty quick.

" Quick as a flash (=very quickly) she replied, 'That's not what I've heard!'

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### THESAURUS

- **quickly** at a high speed or without taking much time: The stream was flowing quite quickly. | They quickly became friends.
- **fast** at a high speed – used especially when talking about how something moves: You're driving too fast! | He ran home as fast as he could.
- **quick** *spoken* quickly – used in exclamations or in comparatives: Quick! There's a mouse!
- **swiftly** *written* quickly: The government acted swiftly. | She was surprised that he agreed so swiftly.
- **rapidly** quickly – used especially about changes, increases, improvements etc: The population is growing rapidly. | a rapidly changing world
- **speedily** quickly and therefore efficiently: All problems were speedily dealt with.
- **briskly** quickly and energetically: He walked briskly back along the path.
- **at high/great speed** at a very fast speed – used especially in technical descriptions: The molecules are travelling at great speed.
- **at a rapid rate** *especially written* quickly – used about changes, increases, improvements etc: Internet shopping is growing at a rapid rate.
- **as quick as a flash/in a flash** extremely quickly: As quick as a flash, I was back in my bed and under the covers.
- **like lightning** moving extremely quickly: Like lightning, the cat darted under the bushes.
- **flat out** *especially British English* at the fastest speed possible: The car was going flat out. | He was running flat out.

### IV. quick<sup>4</sup> BrE<sup>\*</sup> AmE<sup>\*</sup> noun

[Sense 1-2: Date: 1500-1600; Origin: Probably from a Scandinavian language. ]

[Sense 3: Language: Old English; Origin: ⇒ ↑quick<sup>1</sup>]

1. **the quick** the sensitive flesh under your fingernails and toenails:

" Her nails were bitten to the quick.

2. **cut/sting/pierce somebody to the quick** if a remark or criticism cuts you to the quick, it makes you feel extremely upset:

" She was cut to the quick by the accusation.

3. **the quick and the dead** *biblical* all people, including those who are alive and those who are dead

### quick

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