Tory

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/ 'to□ri noun

(pl. -ies) (informal) a member or supporter of the British Conservative party:

The Tories (= the Tory party) lost the election.

► □ Tory adjective [usually before noun]:

the Tory party

Tory policies

► □ Tory·ism noun [*U*]

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WORD ORIGIN

mid 17th cent.: probably from Irish toraidhe outlaw, highwayman, from tóir pursue. The word was used of Irish peasants dispossessed by English settlers and living as robbers, and extended to other marauders especially in the Scottish Highlands. It was then adopted c.1679 as an abusive nickname for supporters of the Catholic James II.

Tory MultiTran 01 (En-Ru)

1. прил.

- 1) общ. консервативный, ретроград, член консервативной партии (в Канаде)
- 2) амер. противник отделения американских колоний от Англии
- 3) ист. ирландский разбойник
- 4) дип. консерватор (Великобритания)
- 2. сущ.

общ. консервативная партия (в Англии), консерватор, разделяющий принципы торизма, тори