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1. [sɪk] *n*

1. (the sick) больные
to heal the sick - лечить больных
2. 1) болезнь
- 2) *редк.* приступ тошноты
3. *сл.* подавленное состояние наркомана (*до принятия наркотика*)

2. [sɪk] *a*

1. *predic*
 - 1) чувствующий тошноту
he is sick - его тошнит /рвёт/
he feels sick - его тошнит /мутит/
he is sick at the stomach - *амер.* у него сосёт под ложечкой; его тошнит
he was sick in the plane - его вырвало в самолёте
gossip that makes one sick - тошнотворные сплетни
 - 2) чувствующий скуку, раздражение
I am sick to death of waiting [of arguing, of staying indoors] - мне смертельно надоело ждать [спорить, сидеть дома]
he was sick at missing you [the train] - он был раздосадован /огорчён/, что упустил вас [пропустил поезд]
it makes me sick to think that it is so - мне противно думать, что это так
I'm dead /heartily/ sick of all this! - мне всё это смертельно надоело!, меня от всего этого просто тошнит!
I am sick of life - мне надоела /опротивела/ жизнь
I am getting sick of his lies - мне опротивело его враньё, меня тошнит от его вранья
it makes me sick at my stomach to look at him - меня тошнит /переворачивает/, когда я его вижу
I'm sick and tired of it - мне это осточертело
2. 1) *преим. амер.* больной
sick girl - больная девочка
to be [to feel, to look] sick - быть [чувствовать себя, казаться] больным
to go /to turn/ sick - заболеть, захворать
to be sick abed with flu - лежать с гриппом
to report sick - *воен.* подать рапорт о болезни
he is sick of a fever - у него лихорадка
he's worried sick - неприятности довели его до болезни
- 2) болезненный, связанный с болезнью
sick condition - болезненное состояние
sick years - годы болезни
- 3) *эфф.* хворающая (о женщине в период менструации)
she is sick today - она хворает /нездорова/ сегодня
3. *predic* страдающий, тоскующий
to be sick for a sight of home - тосковать по дому
to be sick for love - томиться от любви
to be sick with envy [with jealousy] - изводиться /терзаться/ завистью [ревностью]
she is sick at heart - у неё душа болит, она тоскует
the girl for whom his heart is sick - девушка, по которой он вздыхает
4. переживающий упадок, застой
sick market - вялый рынок
sick economy - застойная экономика
sick soil - *с.-х.* утомлённая /истощённая/ почва
5. (предназначенный) для больных
sick ward - лазарет
6. бледный
sick light - бледный свет
7. болезненно-мрачный жуткий
sick humour - мрачный юмор
sick joke [story] - анекдот [рассказ], от которого мороз по коже подирает
8. 1) психически неуравновешенный; психопатический
- 2) вызванный психозом
sick fancies - болезненные фантазии
- 3) *сл.* угнетённый, подавленный (о состоянии наркомана до приёма наркотика)
9. *преим. спорт.* оставшийся далеко позади
he looked sick in the contest - на состязании он выглядел бледно /выступил неудачно/
◇ to be sick as a dog /as a horse/ - чувствовать себя скверно

II

[sɪk] *v*

1. *охот.* хватать (о собаках)
sick him! - ату!, возьми его!
2. натравливать
to sick one party on the other - натравливать одну группу на другую /одних на других/

sick [sɪk] [sick sicked sicked sicking sicker sickest] adjective, noun, verb BrE [sɪk]

ˈ NAmE [sɪk]

adjective

ILL

1. physically or mentally ill
 - a sick child
 - Her mother's very sick.
 - Peter has **been off sick** (= away from work because he is ill) for two weeks.
 - Emma has just **called in sick** (= telephoned to say she will not be coming to work because she is ill).
 - Britain's workers **went sick** (= did not go to work because they were ill) for a record number of days last year.
 - (NAmE) I can't afford to **get sick** (= become ill).

WANTING TO VOMIT

2. not usually before noun (especially BrE) feeling that you want to ↑vomit
 - Mum, I **feel sick**!
 - If you eat any more cake you'll **make yourself sick**.
 - a sick feeling in your stomach

-SICK

3. (in compounds) feeling sick as a result of travelling on a ship, plane, etc
 - seasick
 - airsick
 - carsick
 - travel-sick

BORED

4. (informal) bored with or annoyed about sth that has been happening for a long time, and wanting it to stop
 - ~ **of sb/sth** I'm sick of the way you've treated me.
 - I'm **sick and tired of** your moaning.
 - I'm **sick to death** of all of you!
 - We are getting heartily sick of your attitude.
 - ~ **of doing sth** We're sick of waiting around like this.

CRUEL/STRANGE

5. (informal) (especially of humour) dealing with suffering, disease or death in a cruel way that some people think is offensive
 - a sick joke
 - That's really sick.
6. (informal) getting enjoyment from doing strange or cruel things
 - a sick mind
 - People think I'm sick for having a rat as a pet.
 - We live in a sick society.

see also ↑homesick, ↑lovesick

Word Origin:

Old English *sēoc* 'affected by illness', of Germanic origin; related to Dutch *ziek* and German *siech*.

Thesaurus:

sick adj.

1.

- Her mother's very sick.

not (very) well • **unwell** • **sickly** • **unhealthy** • |especially BrE **ill** • |especially spoken **bad** • |formal **ailing** •

Opp: well

sick/unwell/ill **with** flu, a fever, etc.

a sick/an ailing **mother/father/parent/husband/wife**

sick/sickly/unhealthy/seriously ill **children**

become/get/fall sick/ill

Sick or ill? In British English the usual word is **ill**, unless you are taking time off work because of illness:

- Ellie is off sick/called in sick today.

✗ Ellie is off ill/called in ill today. In American English the usual word is **sick**; **ill** is only used about very serious illnesses.

2. not usually before noun

- Whenever I think about the exams I feel physically sick.

queasy • |formal **nauseous** •

sick/queasy/nauseous **with** fear

feel sick/queasy/nauseous

make sb sick/queasy/nauseous

3. **sick of sth** not before noun (informal)

- I'm sick and tired of your moaning.

bored • |informal **fed up**

sick/bored/fed up **of** sth

get sick/bored/fed up of sth

sick/bored **to death** (of sb/sth)

Collocations:

Illnesses

Becoming ill

catch a cold/an infectious disease/the flu/(*BrE*) flu/pneumonia/a virus/(*informal*) a bug

get (*BrE*) ill/(*NAmE*) sick/a disease/AIDS/breast cancer/a cold/the flu/(*BrE*) flu/a migraine

come down with a cold/the flu/(*BrE*) flu

contract a deadly disease/a serious illness/HIV/AIDS

be infected with a virus/a parasite/HIV

develop cancer/diabetes/a rash/an ulcer/symptoms of hepatitis

have a heart attack/a stroke

provoke/trigger/produce an allergic reaction

block/burst/rupture a blood vessel

damage /sever a nerve/an artery/a tendon

Being ill

feel (*BrE*) ill/sick/nauseous/queasy

be running (*BrE*) a temperature/(*NAmE*) a fever

have a head cold/diabetes/heart disease/lung cancer/a headache/(*BrE*) a high temperature/(*NAmE*) a fever

suffer from asthma/malnutrition/frequent headaches/bouts of depression/a mental disorder

be laid up with/ (*BrE*) **be in bed with** a cold/the flu/(*BrE*) flu/a migraine

nurse a cold/a headache/a hangover

battle/fight cancer/depression/addiction/alcoholism

Treatments

examine a patient

diagnose a condition/disease/disorder

be diagnosed with cancer/diabetes/schizophrenia

prescribe/be given/be on/take drugs/medicine/medication/pills/painkillers/antibiotics

treat sb for cancer/depression/shock

have/undergo an examination/an operation/surgery/a kidney transplant/therapy/chemotherapy/treatment for cancer

have/be given an injection/(*BrE*) a flu jab/(*NAmE*) a flu shot/a blood transfusion/a scan/an X-ray

cure a disease/an ailment/cancer/a headache/a patient

prevent the spread of disease/further outbreaks/damage to the lungs

be vaccinated against the flu/(*BrE*) flu/the measles/(*BrE*) measles/polio/smallpox

enhance /boost/confer/build immunity to a disease

Example Bank:

- Every time I think about it I feel physically sick.
- He fell sick with yellow fever.
- He leaned sideways and was violently sick.
- He was getting heartily sick of all the false sympathy.
- Her attitude makes me sick.
- I feel sick to my stomach just thinking about it.
- I get sick if I sit in the back seat.
- I'm getting sick of all these delays.
- I'm getting sick of you leaving things in a mess.
- If you eat all that chocolate it'll make you sick.
- It was pretty sick humour, I thought.
- John's not in the office today, he's off sick.
- Laura felt almost sick with embarrassment.
- Mum, I feel sick!
- She was afraid she would get sick if she stayed in that place any longer.
- She was getting a bit sick of his moaning.
- She was sick with cancer.
- The home has 20 chronically sick and disabled residents.
- The house has accommodation for up to 60 chronically sick or disabled residents.
- The workers got sick from radiation exposure.
- Whoever started the fire must be sick in the head.
- You're really sick, you know that?
- a very sick woman in the next bed
- Don't ask a babysitter to look after a sick child.
- Emma has just called in sick.
- Her mother's very sick.
- I had a sick feeling in my stomach.
- If you eat any more cake you'll make yourself sick.
- Peter has been off sick.
- Whenever I think about my exams I feel physically sick.

Idioms: ↑fall sick ▪ ↑make somebody sick ▪ ↑sick as a dog ▪ ↑sick as a parrot ▪ ↑sick at heart ▪ ↑sick to your stomach ▪
 ↑worried sick; be sick with worry
Derived ↑sick something up

noun

VOMIT

- 1. uncountable** (BrE, informal) food that you bring back up from your stomach through your mouth
Syn: ↑vomit
 • There was a pool of sick on the carpet.

ILL PEOPLE

- 2. the sick plural** people who are ill/sick
 • to heal the sick
 • All the sick and wounded were evacuated.

Word Origin:

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Example Bank:

- The sick and wounded were evacuated from the war zone.
- the Church's mission to preach the gospel and heal the sick
- workers who are caring for the sick and elderly

verb

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	sick
	BrE /sɪk/
	NAmE /sɪk/
he / she /it	sicks
	BrE /sɪks/
	NAmE /sɪks/
past simple, past participle	sicked
	BrE /sɪkt/
	NAmE /sɪkt/
-ing form	sicking
	BrE /sɪkɪŋ/
	NAmE /sɪkɪŋ/

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See also: ↑take sick

▪ **II. be 'sick idiom**

(BrE) to bring food from your stomach back out through your mouth

Syn: ↑vomit

- I was sick three times in the night.
- She had been **violently sick**.

Main entry: ↑sick_{idiom}

sick

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I. sick¹ **S1 W3** /sɪk/ BrE " AmE " adjective

[**Word Family:** noun: ↑sick, the sick, ↑sickness, ↑sicko; adjective: ↑sick, ↑sickening, ↑sickly; adverb ↑sickeningly, ↑sickly; verb: ↑sicken]

[**Language:** Old English; **Origin:** seoc]

1. ILL especially American English suffering from a disease or illness:

- " His mother's very sick.
- " Maria can't come in today because she's sick.
- " a sick child
- " a sick animal

sick with

- " I have been sick with flu.

get sick (=become ill) American English:

- " At the last minute, I got sick and couldn't go.

be off sick British English be out sick American English (=be away from work or school because you are ill)

- " Two of his employees were out sick.
- " I was off sick for four days with the flu.

phone/ring/call in sick (=phone to say you are not coming to work because you are ill)

He was upset because it was the first day of the sale and Astrid had called in sick.

What will happen to the business if you fall sick (=become ill) or die?

He took sick (=became ill) and died a week later.

Pete's at home in bed, sick as a dog (=very sick).

2. **be sick** if you are sick, the food in your stomach comes up through your mouth **SYN vomit, throw up:**

I think I'm going to be sick.

He dashed to the bathroom and was sick again.

The cat's been sick on the carpet.

You'll be sick if you eat any more of that chocolate!

I was violently sick (=suddenly and severely sick) the last time I ate prawns.

3. **feel sick** (also **be/feel sick to your stomach** *American English*) to feel as if you are going to ↑vomit

As soon as the ship started moving I began to feel sick.

feel sick with

Mary felt sick with fear.

She began to shiver, feeling sick to her stomach.

Virginia had a sick feeling in her stomach. ⇒ ↑carsick, ↑seasick, ⇒ **travel-sick** at ↑travel sickness

4. **make me/you sick** *spoken*

a) to make you feel very angry:

People like you make me sick!

b) to make you feel jealous – used humorously:

You make me sick with your 'expenses paid' holidays!

5. **make somebody/yourself sick** *British English*

a) if something makes you sick, it makes you bring food up from your stomach through your mouth:

The smell of blood made him sick.

b) if you make yourself sick, you do something to bring food up from your stomach through your mouth:

I've never been able to make myself sick.

You'll make yourself sick if you eat any more!

6. **be sick (and tired) of (doing) something** (also **be sick to death of (doing) something**) *spoken* to be angry or bored with something that has been happening for a long time:

I'm sick and tired of your excuses.

I am sick of working for other people.

7. **be worried sick/be sick with worry** to be extremely worried:

Why didn't you tell me you were coming home late? I've been worried sick!

8. **STRANGE/CRUEL**

a) someone who is sick does things that are strange and cruel, and seems mentally ill:

I keep getting obscene phone calls from some sick pervert.

You're sick!

a sick mind

b) sick stories, jokes etc deal with death and suffering in a cruel or unpleasant way:

I don't want to hear any of your sick jokes, thank you.

That's really sick!

9. **sick at heart** *literary* very unhappy, upset, or disappointed about something:

I was sick at heart to think that I would never see the place again.

10. **sick as a parrot** *British English spoken* extremely disappointed – used humorously

11. **[not before noun]** *British English spoken* used by young people to say that something is very impressive and they admire it a lot

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COLLOCATIONS

■ **verbs**

▪ **get sick** (=become ill) The boy got sick, and he just got worse and worse.

▪ **fall/take sick** *formal* (=become ill, especially with something serious or that will last a long time) He fell sick and died within a matter of weeks.

▪ **be off sick** *British English*, **be out sick** *American English* (=be away from work or school because you are ill) Half my staff were off sick.

▪ **call/phone/ring in sick** (=phone to say you are not coming in to work because you are ill) I could have called in sick, but I knew you needed this report.

■ **sick + NOUN**

▪ **sick leave** (=time that you can stay away from work because you are ill) He returned to duty after two months' sick leave.

▪ **sick pay** (=money paid to an employee who is too ill to work) Only full-time employees got sick pay.

▪ **somebody's sick bed** (=the bed where a sick person is lying) He left his sick bed to play in the game.

▪ **the sick room** (=the room where a sick person is) She had spent the last hour in her mother's sick room.

▪ **the sick bay** (=a room where there are beds for people who are sick, for example on a ship or in a school) I was confined to the ship's sick bay until we arrived back in Liverpool.

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THESAURUS

▪ **ill** [not before noun] *especially British English* suffering from a disease or not feeling well: Her mother is seriously ill in hospital. | I woke up feeling really ill.

▪ **sick** *especially American English* ill: She's been sick with the flu. | a sick child | Dan got sick on vacation.

▪ **not very well** [not before noun] ill, but not seriously ill: Sarah's not very well – she has a throat infection.

▪ **unwell** [not before noun] *formal* ill: The singer had been unwell for some time. | Symptoms include fever, aching muscles, and

feeling generally unwell.

- **poorly** [not before noun] *British English spoken* ill: Your grandmother's been very poorly lately.
- **in a bad way** [not before noun] very ill because of a serious injury or disease: You'd better call an ambulance – she looks like she's in a bad way.
- **be off sick** *British English*, **be out sick** *American English* to be not at work because of an illness: Two teachers were off sick yesterday.

II. sick² BrE^u AmE^u noun

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1. the sick [plural] people who are ill:

The sick and wounded were allowed to go free.

2. [uncountable] *British English informal* ↑vomit

The phone box smelt of sick.

III. sick³ BrE^u AmE^u verb

sick something ↔ **up** *phrasal verb British English informal*

to bring up food from your stomach – used especially of children **SYN vomit up** *American English*:

Ruth had frequently sicked up her bottle milk.

sick

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