## confused

#### [kən'fju:zd] *a* 1. смущённый; поставленный в тупик

to become confused - смутиться, прийти в замешательство

2. спутанный; смешанный

confused sounds - неясные звуки

confused account - запутанный отчёт confused statement - сбивчивое заявление

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## **con**•**fused** *BrE* [kən'fju□z]<sup>#</sup> *NAmE* [kən'fju□z]<sup>#</sup> adjective

## 1. unable to think clearly or to understand what is happening or what sb is saying

- People are confused about all the different labels on food these days.
- He was depressed and in a confused state of mind.
- I'm confused— say all that again.

#### **2.** not clear or easy to understand

- The children gave a confused account of what had happened.
- A confused situation followed the military coup.

## Derived Word Confusedly

#### Thesaurus:

#### confused [confused confusedly] adj.

#### 1.

• I'm confused— say all that again.

puzzled • • at a loss • • bemused • • dazed • • bewildered • • perplexed • • disoriented • |especially BrE muddled • confused/puzzled/perplexed/muddled about sth

confused/puzzled/at a loss/perplexed as to how/why...

a confused/puzzled/bemused/dazed/bewildered/perplexed expression/look

#### 2.

• The child gave a confused account of the day's events.

jumbled • • disjointed • |formal discursive • |often disapproving rambling • • woolly • • incoherent • Opp: clear

confused/jumbled/disjointed/rambling/incoherent **thoughts** a confused/rambling **account** of sth

#### Example Bank:

- 'Why?' she asked, suddenly horribly confused.
- Dr. Solaris turned to her, obviously confused.
- · George paused, momentarily confused.
- · He left his audience thoroughly confused.
- He looked at his father, who looked equally confused.
- He was beginning to get rather confused.
- · He was very confused about his feelings.
- I'm confused by the whole thing.
- The policemen looked a little confused at her question.
- a highly confused picture of a complex situation
- He was feeling thoroughly confused by the end of the speech.
- I'm confused— say all that again.
- The children gave a confused account of the events of the previous day.
- The information supplied was confused and contradictory.

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## con fused S3 /kənˈfju zd BrE AmE adjective

[Word Family: adverb <sup>†</sup>confusedly, <sup>†</sup>confusingly; adjective: <sup>†</sup>confused, <sup>†</sup>confusing; verb <sup>†</sup>confuse; noun: <sup>†</sup>confusion]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: confus, from Latin confusus, past participle of confundere;

- 1. unable to understand or think clearly about what someone is saying or what is happening:
- I'm totally confused. Could you explain that again?

## confused about

- If you're confused about anything, phone me.
  - All the roads looked the same and he felt thoroughly confused.

## 2. not clear or not easy to understand:

- Witness statements presented a confused picture of the incident.
- a lot of confused ideas
- -confusedly /-'fju zədli,-'fju z dladverb

# THESAURUS

• confused unable to understand what someone is saying or what is happening: I was rather confused by his question. | She gave me a confused look. | With the huge range of computers on the market, it's easy to get confused. | She felt hurt and confused when her husband left her.

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

• puzzled (also perplexed formal) confused because you cannot understand something, especially because it is different from what you expect: The doctor was puzzled by the man's symptoms and ordered several further tests. | He had a puzzled expression on his face. | Ross looked perplexed when the audience laughed.

• **baffled** very confused and unable to understand something, even though you have tried hard for a long time: Detectives admit they are baffled by the case. | a baffled expression

• bewildered /bɪ'wɪldəd\$ -ərd/ very confused and surprised when something unusual and unexpected happens to you: He was bewildered to find three policemen at the front door. | Bewildered train passengers watched as the man was arrested. | At first she was bewildered by all the noise and activity of the city.

bemused /bɪ'mju□zd confused and surprised by what has happened, or by what someone has said: Local residents seem bemused by the sudden arrival of all the tourists. | She told him to leave, but he just sat there with a bemused expression.
can't think straight spoken to have difficulty thinking clearly, for example because you are too tired, too busy, or because a lot

of things are happening around you: I can't think straight with all this noise going on.

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