

1. [sɔ:t] *n*

## 1. вид, род; сорт, разновидность; разряд, тип, класс

all sorts of things, things of all sorts - всевозможные вещи

something of the sort - что-то в этом роде /духе/

nothing of the sort - ничего подобного

biscuits of several sorts - печенье нескольких сортов

all sorts of calumnies - всевозможные клеветнические измышления

cranks of one sort or another - разного рода психопаты

crimes of whatever sort - преступления любого вида

there is no sort of reason for this - для этого нет ровно никаких оснований

## 2. 1) тип человека

a good sort - славный малый

he's not a bad sort - он человек неплохой

what sort of a man is he? - что он за человек?

he is not my sort - он не в моём духе /вкусе/

## 2) характер, натура (человека)

people of an evil sort - порочные люди

## 3. способ, образ, манера

in some sort, after a sort - а) некоторым образом; в некотором роде; б) кое-как; he gave us a translation after a sort - он кое-как перевёл сказанное

4. *pl полигр.* литеры (*гарнитур*)5. *вчт.* сортировка данных

quick sort - быстрая сортировка

sort utility - программа сортировки

◇ of a sort, of sorts - а) посредственный, так себе; a tennis player of sorts - ≅ он немного играет в теннис; теннисист он

неважный; б) кое-какой; let's consult him, he is a doctor of sorts - посоветуемся с ним, он что-то вроде врача; he's a poet of sorts - он считается поэтом

a sort of - нечто вроде; почти

he is a sort of a hero - на него смотрят как на героя

I have a sort of idea that ... - мне пришла в голову смутная мысль, что ...

to be out of sorts - а) быть не в настроении/не в себе/; б) чувствовать себя неважно

that's your sort! - правильно!; здорово!; ≅ вот это по-нашему!

2. [sɔ:t] *v*1. разбирать, сортировать, классифицировать (*обыкн.* sort out, sort over)

to sort pencils by colours - разбирать карандаши по цвету

to sort out the real from the imaginary - отделить действительность от фантазии

he sorted out the best apples for eating - он отобрал лучшие яблоки для еды

2. (with; *мж.* sort together)

## 1) относить к какой-л. группе, виду, сорту

to sort people together indiscriminately - валить, всех людей без разбору в одну кучу

## 2) соотноситься

his actions sort ill with his claim to be the champion of the oppressed - его действия плохо вяжутся с претензией на звание защитника угнетённых

## 3. (with) общаться

to sort with thieves - связаться с жульём

4. *разг.* расправиться

I'll sort you! - я тебе покажу!

## sort

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**sort** [sort sortssorted sorting] *noun, verb* *BrE* [sɔ:t] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [sɔ:t] <sup>u</sup>

*noun*1. **countable** a group or type of people or things that are similar in a particular way

**Syn:** ↑kind

• 'What sort of music do you like?' 'Oh, all sorts.'

• This sort of problem is quite common./ These sorts of problems are quite common.

• He's the sort of person who only cares about money.

• For dessert there's a fruit pie of some sort (= you are not sure what kind).

• Most people went on training courses of one sort or another (= of various types) last year.

• (informal) There were snacks— peanuts, olives, that sort of thing.

• (informal) There are all sorts of activities (= many different ones) for kids at the campsite.

• (informal) What sort of price did you want to pay? (= approximately how much)

• (informal) What sort of time do you call this? (= I'm very angry that you have come so late.)

2. **countable, usually singular** (informal, especially *BrE*) a particular type of person

• My brother would never cheat on his wife; he's not that sort.

3. (computing) **singular** the process of putting data in a particular order

• to do a sort

**more at** nothing of the kind/sort **at** ↑kind <sub>n.</sub>

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French **sorte**, from an alteration of Latin **sors**, **sort-** 'lot, condition'.

Thesaurus:

**sort** noun C (especially BrE)

• What sort of music do you like?

**kind** • **type** • **form** • **variety** • **style** • **brand** • **nature** • **category** • **class** • **formal genre** •

a sort/kind/type/form/variety/style/brand/category/class/genre **of** sth

a **a different/the same** sort/kind/type/form/variety/style/brand/nature/category/class/genre

**various** sorts/kinds/types/forms/styles/categories/genres

a/the/that sort/kind/type **of thing**

**Sort, kind or type?** **Kind** is the most frequent word in this group; **sort** is used more in British English. **Type** is slightly more formal and used more in official, scientific or academic contexts.

Grammar Point:

**kind / sort**

Use the singular (**kind/sort**) or plural (**kinds/sorts**) depending on the word you use before them: ▪ each/one/every kind of animal ◇  
▪ all/many/other sorts of animals.

**Kind/sort of** is followed by a singular or uncountable noun: ▪ This kind of question ▪ often appears in the exam. ◇ ▪ That sort of behaviour ▪ is not acceptable.

**Kinds/sorts of** is followed by a plural or uncountable noun: ▪ These kinds of questions ▪ often appear in the exam. ◇ ▪ These sorts of behaviour ▪ are not acceptable.

Other variations are possible but less common: ▪ These kinds of question ▪ often appear in the exam. ◇ ▪ These sort of things ▪ don't happen in real life. (This example is very informal and is considered incorrect by some people.)

Note also that these examples are possible, especially in spoken English: ▪ The shelf was full of ▪ the sort of books ▪ I like to read. ◇ ▪ He faced ▪ the same kind of problems ▪ as his predecessor. ◇ ▪ There are many ▪ different sorts of animal ▪ on the island.

◇ ▪ What kind of camera ▪ is this? ◇ ▪ What kind/kinds of cameras ▪ do you sell? ◇ ▪ There were ▪ three kinds of cakes/cake ▪ on the plate.

Example Bank:

- The shop sells all sorts of books.
- We sell all sorts of books.
- 'What sort of music do you like?' 'Oh, all sorts.'
- For dessert I'll make pie of some sort.
- He's the sort of person who only cares about money.
- It takes all sorts (to make a world)..
- Most people went on training courses of one sort or another.
- There are all sorts of jobs you could do.
- This sort of problem is quite common.
- What sort of price are you willing to pay?
- What sort of time do you call this?

Idioms: ↑it takes all sorts ▪ ↑of sorts ▪ ↑out of sorts ▪ ↑sort of ▪ ↑sort of something

Derived ↑sort itself out ▪ ↑sort somebody out ▪ ↑sort something out ▪ ↑sort through something

verb

**1.** to arrange things in groups or in a particular order according to their type, etc; to separate things of one type from others

- ~ **sth** sorting the mail
- ~ **sth into sth** The computer sorts the words into alphabetical order.
- Rubbish can easily be separated and sorted into plastics, glass and paper.
- ~ **sth from sth** Women and children sorted the ore from the rock.

**see also** sort out

**2.** often passive ~ **sth** (informal, especially BrE) to deal with a problem successfully or organize sth/sb properly

- I'm really busy— can you sort it?

**compare** ↑sorted <sub>adj.</sub>

**see** separate/sort out the men from the boys **at** ↑man <sub>n.</sub>, sort out/separate the sheep from the goats **at** ↑sheep, sort out/separate the wheat from the chaff **at** ↑wheat

## Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	sort
	BrE /sɔ:t/
	NAmE /sɔ:rt/
he / she / it	sorts
	BrE /sɔ:ts/
	NAmE /sɔ:rts/
past simple, past participle	sorted
	BrE /sɔ:trd/
	NAmE /sɔ:rtɪd/
-ing form	sorting
	BrE /sɔ:tɪŋ/
	NAmE /sɔ:rtɪŋ/

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## Thesaurus:

### sort verb T

- The documents were sorted by age and type.

**organize** • **group** • **categorize** • **classify** • **class** • **file** •

sort/organize/group/categorize/classify sb/sth **according to** sth

sort/organize/group/categorize/classify sb/sth **into/by** sth

sort/group/categorize/classify/class/file sb/sth **under** sth

## Example Bank:

- I sorted the clothes out into two piles.
- If he can't get his talk sorted out, we'll have to ask someone else.
- Leave them to sort it out among themselves.
- She started sorting through the papers.
- She was busily sorting through her clothes.
- Someone will have to sort this problem out.
- Sort the books according to their subject matter.
- The most common way of grouping was to sort the children by ability.
- We sorted the washing into piles of different garments.
- Data can be sorted according to its source.
- Don't worry. We'll soon have this sorted.
- It's all sorted.
- It's our problem. We'll get it sorted.
- It's time you got yourself sorted.
- The documents were sorted by age and type.
- The mail is sorted automatically.
- The program sorts the numbers into ascending order.
- Waste is sorted for recycling.

See also: ↑[sort of like](#)

## sort

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

I. **sort**<sup>1</sup> **S1 W1** /sɔ:t/\$ sɔ:rt BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> noun

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: *sorte*, from Latin *sors* 'chance, what you get by luck, share, condition']

1. **TYPE/KIND** [countable] a group or class of people, things etc that have similar qualities or features **SYN type, kind**

### sort of

What sort of shampoo do you use?

**all sorts (of something)** (=a lot of different types of things)

I like all sorts of food – I'm not fussy.

### of this/that sort

On expeditions of this sort, you have to be prepared for trouble.

**of some sort/some sort of something** (=used when you do not know exactly what type)

He wondered if Rosa was in some sort of trouble.

There was a game of some sort going on inside.

Most of the victims developed psychological problems of one sort or another (=of various different types).

They do burgers, pizzas, that sort of thing.

2. **sort of spoken**

a) used to say that something is partly true but does not describe the exact situation:

I sort of like him, but I don't know why.

'Do you know what I mean?' 'Sort of.'

b) used when you are trying to describe something but it is difficult to find the right word or to be exact:

Then they started sort of chanting.

The walls are a sort of greeny-blue colour.

**sort of like** (=used very informally when searching for the right words)

It was sort of like really strange and mysterious, walking round this empty building.

c) used to make what you are saying sound less strong or direct:

" Well, I sort of thought we could go out together sometime.

" It was sort of a shock when I found out.

d) **sort of price/time/speed etc especially British English** a price etc that is not very exact, but could be slightly more or less:

" That's the sort of price I was hoping to pay.

" What sort of time were you thinking of starting?

3. **of sorts (also of a sort)** used when something is not a good or typical example of its kind of thing:

" I had a conversation of sorts with a very drunk man at the bus stop.

4. **sort of thing especially British English spoken** used when you are mentioning or describing something in a way that is not definite or exact:

" We could just stay here and pass the time, sort of thing.

" She uses a wheelchair sort of thing.

5. **what sort of ... ? especially British English spoken** used when you are angry about what someone has said or done:

" What sort of time do you call this to come in?

6. **nothing of the sort especially British English spoken** used to say angrily that something is not true or that someone should not do something:

" 'I'm going to watch TV.' 'You'll do nothing of the sort!'

7. **PERSON [singular] British English** someone who has a particular type of character, and is therefore likely to behave in a particular way **SYN type**:

" Iain's never even looked at another woman. He's not the sort.

8. **it takes all sorts (to make a world) British English** used to say that you think someone is behaving in a strange or crazy way:

" He goes climbing up cliffs without ropes or anything? Oh well, it takes all sorts.

9. **COMPUTER [singular]** if a computer does a sort, it puts things in a particular order

10. **ILL/UPSET out of sorts** feeling a little ill or upset:

" Louise went back to work feeling rather out of sorts.

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ adjectives

- **this/that sort** We must ensure that this sort of thing does not happen again.
- **some sort** There has been some sort of error.
- **the same sort** We had the same sort of background.
- **a similar sort** It's a similar sort of house.
- **a different sort** Barbara never stopped wanting a different sort of life.
- **the right sort** Wearing the right sort of clothing could save your life.
- **other sorts** What other sorts of books do you like?
- **all sorts (=many different sorts)** He collects all sorts of musical instruments.

### ■ phrases

- **of one sort or another (=of various different sorts)** Quite a large number of them suffered injuries of one sort or another.

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## THESAURUS

- **type/kind/sort** one member of a group of people or things that have similar features or qualities. **Type** is the usual word to use in scientific or technical contexts. In everyday English, people usually use **kind** or **sort** What type of fish is this? | There are two main personality types.
- **kind** a type of person or thing. **Kind** is less formal than **type**, and is used especially in everyday English: What kind of food do you like? | There were all kinds of people there. | The study is the first of its kind in Ireland.
- **sort especially British English** a type of person or thing. **Sort** is less formal than **type**, and is used especially in everyday British English: What sort of person is she? | I like all sorts of music.
- **form** one type of something from all the ones that are possible – used especially when things have different physical characteristics, or in certain fixed phrases: There are many forms of heart disease. | Melanoma is a form of skin cancer. | The first primitive life forms consumed various materials, including hydrogen sulfide, and released oxygen. | In those days, horses were the commonest form of transport. | We need to use alternative forms of energy. | a popular form of entertainment
- **variety** a type that is slightly different from others in the same group: The French make many varieties of cheese. | This is a new variety of apple.
- **species** a type of plant or animal, which can breed together to produce plants or animals of the same type: These forests contain many species of trees. | The giant panda is an endangered species.
- **of a ... nature formal** used when talking about a particular type of thing: Many people find it embarrassing to discuss problems of a sexual nature. | Minor incidents of this nature normally occur about once a month.
- **category** a group of people or things that are all of the same type – used when there is a clear system for deciding which group something belongs to: The three major categories of rock are: igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary. | She won the best actress category at the Oscars.
- **brand** used when talking about the particular way that someone does something or thinks about something, when this is very different from that of other people: She has her own special brand of humour. | He has called for a more positive brand of politics.
- **genre formal** a type of art, music, literature etc. that has a particular style or feature: He has written novels in several genres, most notably science fiction.

II. **sort<sup>2</sup> S1 W3 BrE<sup>2</sup> AmE<sup>2</sup> verb [transitive]**

1. to put things in a particular order or arrange them in groups according to size, type etc:

" The eggs are sorted according to size.

**sort something into something**

Let's sort all the clothes into piles.

All the names on the list have been sorted into alphabetical order.

2. **British English spoken** to deal with a situation so that all the problems are solved and everything is organized ⇒ **sorted**:

Right, I'll leave this for Roger and Terry to sort, then.

**sort something/somebody** ↔ **out** *phrasal verb*

1. to arrange or organize something that is mixed up or untidy, so that it is ready to be used:

We need to sort out our camping gear before we go away.

2. to separate one type of thing from another:

I've sorted out the papers that can be thrown away.

**sort something/somebody** ↔ **out from**

First, sort the white things out from the other clothes.

3. **especially British English** to successfully deal with a problem or difficult situation:

She went to a psychiatrist to try to sort out her problems.

I'll be glad to get this misunderstanding sorted out.

**sort yourself out/get yourself sorted out** (=deal with all your problems)

I'm staying with a friend until I manage to sort myself out.

4. **especially British English** to succeed in making arrangements for something:

Have you sorted out where you're going to live yet?

She is trying to sort out childcare.

5. **sort itself out** *British English* if something sorts itself out, it stops being a problem without you having to do anything:

Our financial problems should sort themselves out in a week or two.

6. **British English informal** to stop someone from causing problems or annoying you, especially by attacking or punishing them:

If he bothers you again, I'll sort him out.

**sort through something** *phrasal verb*

to look for something among a lot of similar things, especially when you are arranging these things into an order:

Vicky sat down and sorted through the files.

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