

appal[ə'pɔ:l] = *appall*

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appal**appal** [appal appals appalled appalling] (BrE) (NAme ap·pall) BrE [ə'pɔ:l]

NAme [ə'pɔ:l] verb (-ll-)

to shock sb very much

Syn: ↑horrify

- ~ **sb** The brutality of the crime has appalled the public.
- The idea of sharing a room appalled her.
- The thought of having to do it all again appals me.
- **it appals sb that.../to do sth** It appalled me that they could simply ignore the problem.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	appal (NAme) appall
	BrE /ə'pɔ:l/
	NAme /ə'pɔ:l/
he / she / it	appals (NAme) appalls
	BrE /ə'pɔ:lz/
	NAme /ə'pɔ:lz/
past simple, past participle	appalled
	BrE /ə'pɔ:ld/
	NAme /ə'pɔ:ld/
-ing form	appalling
	BrE /ə'pɔ:lɪŋ/
	NAme /ə'pɔ:lɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French *apalir* 'grow pale', from *a-* (from Latin *ad* 'to, at') + *palir* 'to pale'. The original sense was 'grow pale', later 'make pale', hence 'horrify' (late Middle English).

Example Bank:

- The idea of sharing a bathroom appalled her.

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ap pal BrE " AmE " British English, **appal** American English /ə'pɔ:l \$ ə'pɔ:l/ verb

[transitive]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Old French; Origin: *apalir*, from *palir* 'to turn pale']to make someone feel very shocked and upset **SYN** horrify:

- " The way we kill animals appals a lot of people.
- " The decision to execute the two men has appalled many politicians.

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