## buddy

['bʌdı] п амер. разг.

- 1. дружище, приятель
- 2. малыш (в обращении)
- 3. солдат-однополчанин

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# **buddy** [buddy buddies buddied buddying] noun, verb BrE ['bʌdi] NAmE ['bʌdi]

noun (pl. buddies)

## 1. (NAmE also bud) (informal) a friend

- an old college buddy of mine
- · Howard and Mick were drinking buddies.
- 2. (also bud) (both NAmE, informal) used to speak to a man you do not know
- 'Where to, buddy?' the driver asked.
- 3. (especially NAmE) a partner who does an activity with you so that you can help each other
- The school uses a buddy system to pair newcomers with older students.
- Her driving buddy was in trouble.

## Word Origin:

mid 19th cent. (originally US): perhaps an alteration of **†brother**, or a variant of butty, a term for a friend or workmate amongst miners.

Example Bank:

- · We were good buddies.
- I'd like you to meet an old college buddy of mine.

Derived <sup>†</sup>buddy up

## verb (bud·dies, buddy·ing, bud·died, bud·died)

Verb forms: verb form

verb for ms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	buddy
	BrE / 'bidly
	NAmE / badi/
he / she /it	buddies
	BrE / 'bʌdiz/
	NAmE / badiz/
past simple, past participle	buddied
	BrE / 'bidid/
	NAmE / bidid/
-ing form	buddying
	BrE / 'bidim/
	NAME / biding/

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See also: <sup>†</sup>bud = <sup>†</sup>pal up

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bud dy S3 /'bʌdi/ BrE AmE noun (plural buddies) [countable]

Date: 1800-1900; Origin: Probably from brother

#### 1. informal a friend:

- We're good buddies.
- 2. American English spoken used to talk to a man or boy, especially one you do not know:

Hey, buddy! This your car?

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• friend someone who you know and like very much and enjoy spending time with: Dad, this is my friend Steve. | She's going to Palm Springs with some friends. | I got a letter from a friend from college. | Amy's a close friend of mine. | John was a really good friend to me when I had all those problems last year.

• acquaintance /ə'kweIntəns/ someone who you know and see sometimes, but who is not one of your close friends: We borrowed the money from one of Paul's business acquaintances.

• mate *British English informal* a friend – used especially about boys or men: He always goes to the pub with his mates on Friday night. | Terry's an old mate of mine.

 buddy American English informal a friend – used especially about men or young people: He's out playing basketball with some of his high school buddies.

• pal informal a friend – pal sounds rather old-fashioned: They met at school and have remained close pals.

• crony [usually plural] disapproving a friend – used about powerful people who will help each other even if it is slightly dishonest:

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He's one of the President's cronies.

• companion *written* someone who spends time with you, doing the same things as you – used about animals as well as people:

- travelling companions | His dog was his constant companion. | the perfect companion
- the girls informal a woman's female friends: We're having a girls' night out.
- the lads British English informal a man's male friends: a night out with the lads

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