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#### diesel

diesel [diesel diesels] BrE ['di z] NAmE ['di□z] noun

1. (also 'diesel fuel, 'diesel oil) uncountable a type of heavy oil used as a fuel instead of petrol/gas

- a diesel engine (= one that burns <sup>†</sup>diesel )
- · diesel cars/locomotives/trains
- compare <sup>†</sup>petrol
- 2. countable a vehicle that uses diesel fuel
  - Our new car is a diesel. See also: <sup>†</sup>diesel fuel
  - Word Origin:

late 19th cent.: named after R. Diesel (1858-1913), the inventor of the diesel engine.

## Example Bank:

- The diesel model is slightly more expensive.
- These buses run on diesel.
- It's one of the best diesel cars you can buy.
- · Nearly 300 litres of diesel oil were spilt in the river.
- · The diesel engine burns its fuel much more efficiently.

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#### die sel /'di zl/ BrE AmE<sup>\*</sup> noun

[Date: 1800-1900; Origin: Rudolph Diesel (1858-1913), German engineer who invented the engine]

1. [uncountable] a type of heavy oil used instead of petrol in engines, especially in trucks, buses, and trains:

a 1.9 litre diesel engine

diesel car/truck etc

2. [countable] informal a vehicle that uses diesel

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