

grief

[gri:f] *n*

1. горе; печаль

great [mortal] grief - большое [ужасное] горе
secret grief - тайная печаль
plunged in grief - охваченный горем
mad with grief - обезумевший от горя
prostrate by grief - сражённый горем
surrendered to grief - во власти горя
in an agony of grief - снедаемый тоской /печалью/
to learn to one's grief - узнать на свою беду
to give way to grief - предаваться отчаянию
to suffer grief the loss (of smb.) - оплакивать утрату (кого-л.)
to be driven mad by grief - с ума сходить от горя
to die of grief - умереть от горя
to cause smb. grief - причинять кому-л. горе
grief consumed him - его снедала печаль

2. огорчение, причина огорчения

to be a grief to smb. - огорчать кого-л., являться поводом для чьего-л. огорчения
his conduct was a grief to his family - своим поведением он причинял много горя родным

◇ good grief! - ≅ боже мой! (*выражает изумление*)

to come to grief - а) попасть в беду /в затруднительное положение/; б) потерпеть неудачу, плохо кончить; drive slower or you will come to grief - поезжай медленней, не то разобьёшься; в) провалиться (*о планах*); г) *спорт.* потерпеть поражение; упасть

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grief [grief griefs] *BrE* [griːf] *NAmE* [griːf] *noun*

1. **uncountable, countable** ~ (over/at sth) a feeling of great sadness, especially when sb dies

- She was overcome with grief when her husband died.
- They were able to share their common joys and griefs.

2. **countable, usually singular** something that causes great sadness

- It was a grief to them that they had no children.

3. **uncountable** (informal) problems and worry

- He caused his parents a lot of grief.

Idioms: ↑come to grief ▪ ↑give somebody grief ▪ ↑good grief!

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **grief**, from **grever** 'to burden', based on Latin **gravare** from **gravis** 'heavy, grave'.

Thesaurus:

grief *noun* U, C

- He was overcome with grief at his wife's death.

sadness • **unhappiness** • **regret** • **heartache** • **heartbreak** • |formal **sorrow** • |literary **melancholy** •

Opp: joy

grief/sadness/unhappiness/regret/heartache/heartbreak/sorrow/melancholy **at/about/over** sth

be **filled with/full of/overcome with** grief/sadness/unhappiness/regret/heartache/heartbreak/sorrow/melancholy

express/show/hide your grief/sadness/unhappiness/regret/sorrow

Example Bank:

- He feels that he can't share his grief with anyone.
- Her parents were stricken with grief.
- I felt awkward at intruding on their private grief.
- She understood my grief because she too had lost a child.
- Such behaviour can cause considerable grief.
- They are still struggling to come to terms with their grief.
- grief over the loss of a friend's life
- her grief for her dead husband
- She was stricken with grief when her husband died.

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grief /griːf/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun*

[**Date:** 1200-1300; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** gref, from Latin gravis; ⇨ ↑grave]

1. **[uncountable]** extreme sadness, especially because someone you love has died

grief over/at

The grief she felt over Helen's death was almost unbearable.

with grief

Charles was overcome with grief.

2. **[countable]** something that makes you feel extremely sad:

Every change in our lives brings with it griefs.

3. **good grief!** *spoken* used when you are slightly surprised or annoyed:

Good grief! What a mess!

4. **come to grief** to fail, or to be harmed or destroyed in an accident:
"candidates who come to grief in exams"
5. **give somebody grief** *informal* to criticize someone in an annoying way
6. **[uncountable] informal** trouble or problems:
"You'll save yourself a lot of grief if you check the measurements first."

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THESAURUS

- **sadness** a sad feeling, caused especially when a happy time is ending, or when you feel sorry about someone else's unhappiness: Charles felt a great sense of sadness and loss. | I noticed a little sadness in her eyes.
- **unhappiness** the unhappy feeling you have when you are in a very difficult or unpleasant situation, especially when this lasts for a long time: After years of unhappiness, she finally decided to leave him. | She was a tense, nervous young woman, whose deep unhappiness was obvious to all those around her. | You do not know how much pain and unhappiness you have caused.
- **sorrow** *written* the feeling of being very sad, especially because someone has died or because terrible things have happened to you: There seemed to be nowhere to go to be alone with her sorrow. | His heart was filled with great sorrow after her death.
- **misery** great unhappiness, caused especially by living or working in very bad conditions: The cold weather is with us again and the misery of the homeless is increasing. | Thousands of families were destined to a life of misery. | The misery and pain he caused were, for him, merely a measure of his success.
- **despair** a feeling of great unhappiness, because very bad things have happened and you have no hope that anything will change: At the end of the month, she still had no job and was tired, frustrated, and close to despair.
- **grief** great sadness that you feel when someone you love has died: He was overcome with grief when his wife died.
- **heartache** a strong feeling of great sadness, especially because you miss someone you love: She remembered the heartache of the first Christmas spent away from her sons.
- **depression** a mental illness that makes someone feel so unhappy that they have no energy or hope for the future, and they cannot live a normal life: He slipped into a depression in which he hardly ate or even left his room.
- **despondency** *formal* a feeling of being very unhappy and without hope: She felt useless, and this contributed to her despondency.
- **melancholy** *literary* a feeling of sadness, that you feel even though there is no particular reason for it: Modigliani expressed his melancholy through his painting.

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