

headache['hedeɪk] *n*

- головная боль
headache pill [powder] - пилюля [порошок] от головной боли
to suffer from headache(s) - страдать головными болями
I have a bad [a splitting] headache - у меня сильно болит [раскалывается] голова
- разг.** источник беспокойства; проблема, трудность
a headache problem - трудная задача
that's your headache - это ваши трудности; вы об этом и беспокоитесь
that's not my headache - меня это не касается
trying to make this child eat is one big headache - кормить этого ребёнка - одно мученье

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

head·ache [headache headaches] *BrE* ['hedeɪk] ^m *NAmE* ['hedeɪk] ^m **noun**

- a continuous pain in the head
 - to suffer from headaches
 - Red wine gives me a headache.
 - I have a **splitting headache** (= a very bad one) .
 - a tension headache
- (*informal*) a person or thing that causes worry or trouble
 - The real headache will be getting the bank to lend you the money.

Collocations:**Illnesses***Becoming ill*

catch a cold/an infectious disease/the flu/(*BrE*) flu/pneumonia/a virus/(*informal*) a bug
get (*BrE*) ill/(*NAmE*) sick/a disease/AIDS/breast cancer/a cold/the flu/(*BrE*) flu/a migraine
come down with a cold/the flu/(*BrE*) flu
contract a deadly disease/a serious illness/HIV/AIDS
be infected with a virus/a parasite/HIV
develop cancer/diabetes/a rash/an ulcer/symptoms of hepatitis
have a heart attack/a stroke
provoke/trigger/produce an allergic reaction
block/burst/rupture a blood vessel
damage /sever a nerve/an artery/a tendon

Being ill

feel (*BrE*) ill/sick/nauseous/queasy
be running (*BrE*) a temperature/(*NAmE*) a fever
have a head cold/diabetes/heart disease/lung cancer/a headache/(*BrE*) a high temperature/(*NAmE*) a fever
suffer from asthma/malnutrition/frequent headaches/bouts of depression/a mental disorder
be laid up with/ (*BrE*) **be in bed with** a cold/the flu/(*BrE*) flu/a migraine
nurse a cold/a headache/a hangover
battle/fight cancer/depression/addiction/alcoholism

Treatments

examine a patient
diagnose a condition/disease/disorder
be diagnosed with cancer/diabetes/schizophrenia
prescribe/be given/be on/take drugs/medicine/medication/pills/painkillers/antibiotics
treat sb for cancer/depression/shock
have/undergo an examination/an operation/surgery/a kidney transplant/therapy/chemotherapy/treatment for cancer
have/be given an injection/(*BrE*) a flu jab/(*NAmE*) a flu shot/a blood transfusion/a scan/an X-ray
cure a disease/an ailment/cancer/a headache/a patient
prevent the spread of disease/further outbreaks/damage to the lungs
be vaccinated against the flu/(*BrE*) flu/the measles/(*BrE*) measles/polio/smallpox
enhance /boost/confer/build immunity to a disease

Example Bank:

- He developed a severe migraine headache.
- I have a splitting headache.
- I've got a splitting headache.
- She had left the party early, pleading a headache.
- The workers had complained of headaches and nausea.
- These regulations have created major headaches for many businesses.
- Uneven cash flow proved to be a major headache for the company.
- We all get headaches from time to time.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

head [ache] /'hedeɪk/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **noun** [countable]

- a pain in your head:

If you have a headache, you should take some aspirin.

2. **informal** a problem that is difficult or annoying to deal with:

Security is a big headache for airline operators.

—**headachy** *adjective*:

a headachy feeling

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GRAMMAR

Headache is a countable noun:

• I had a headache (NOT I had headache).

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COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

• **bad/terrible/severe** I've got a really bad headache.

• **a splitting headache** (=a very bad headache) The next day he woke up with a splitting headache.

• **a throbbing/pounding/blinding headache** (=a very bad headache) He had a throbbing headache, behind his nose and his eyes.

• **a slight headache** (also **a bit of a headache** *spoken*) (=one that is not very serious) I'd rather stay at home – I've got a bit of a headache.

■ verbs

• **have a headache** (also **have got a headache** *spoken*) She's not coming – she says she's got a headache.

• **get headaches/suffer from headaches** (=regularly have a headache) He often gets headaches at school.

• **give somebody a headache** The music was starting to give him a headache.

• **cause headaches** The drug can cause headaches.

• **complain of a headache** (=say that you have a headache) Your child may complain of headaches or problems seeing the blackboard.

• **a headache goes away** (=it stops) I'd like to lie down for a bit to make my headache go away,

■ COMMON ERRORS

▶ Do not say '**a strong/heavy headache**! Say **a bad headache** .

Do not say '**a little headache**! Say **a slight headache** or **a bit of a headache** .

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THESAURUS

• **headache** a pain in your head: Looking at a computer for a long time can give you a headache.

• **hangover** a headache and feeling of sickness that you get the day after you have drunk too much alcohol: The next day I had a terrible hangover.

• **migraine** /'miːgreɪn/ a very bad headache, which makes you feel sick and have difficulty seeing: He has suffered from migraines all his life.

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