

fond

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[fʌnd] *a*

- 1) 1) (of) *predic* любящий
to be fond of smb., smth. - любить кого-л., что-л
fond of his nephew [skating, music] - любящий своего племянника [коньки, музыку]
- 2) нежный, любящий (*тж. урон.*)
to have a fond expression in one's eyes - смотреть любящими глазами
fond wife - любящая жена
with fondest love, *N.* - горячо любящий тебя *N.* (*концовка письма*)
fond kiss - нежный поцелуй
spoiled by a fond mother - избалованный (слишком) нежной мамашей
2. *арх.*
- 1) излишне доверчивый
he had a fond belief in his own cleverness - он твёрдо верил в свой ум
- 2) безрассудный; эмоциональный
fond hope - несбыточная надежда /мечта/

II

[fʌnd] *n*

- 1) фон; основа, основание
- 2) *слец.* фон узора при плетении кружев

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fond [fʌnd fʌndər fʌndəst] *BrE* [fʌnd] ^{ad} *NAmE* [fɑːnd] ^{ad} **adjective** (fond-er, fond-est)

1. ~ **of sb** feeling affection for sb, especially sb you have known for a long time
 - Over the years, I have **grown quite fond of** her.
 - I've always been very fond of your mother.
2. ~ **of (doing) sth** finding sth pleasant or enjoyable, especially sth you have liked or enjoyed for a long time
 - fond of music/cooking
 - We had **grown fond of** the house and didn't want to leave.
3. ~ **of (doing) sth** liking to do sth which other people find annoying or unpleasant, and doing it often
 - Sheila's very fond of telling other people what to do.
 - He's rather too fond of the sound of his own voice (= he talks too much) .
4. **only before noun** kind and loving

Syn: ↑affectionate• a **fond look/embrace/farewell**• I have very **fond memories** of my time in Spain (= I remember it with affection and pleasure) .

5. **only before noun** ~ hope a hope about sth that is not likely to happen

• I waited all day **in the fond hope that** she would change her mind.**see** absence makes the heart grow fonder **at** ↑absenceDerived Word ↑fondnessWord Origin:

late Middle English (in the sense 'infatuated, foolish'): from obsolete fon 'a fool, be foolish', of unknown origin. Compare with ↑fun.

Synonyms:**like**

love • be fond of • be keen on sth • adore

These words all mean to find sth pleasant, attractive or satisfactory, or to enjoy sth.

like • to find sth pleasant, attractive or satisfactory; to enjoy sth: ▫ Do you like their new house? ◇ ▫ I like to see them enjoying themselves.**love** • to like or enjoy sth very much: ▫ He loved the way she smiled.**be fond of sth** • to like or enjoy sth, especially sth you have liked or enjoyed for a long time: ▫ We were fond of the house and didn't want to leave.**be keen on sth** • (*BrE informal*) (often used in negative statements) to like or enjoy sth: ▫ I'm not keen on spicy food. ◇ ▫ She's not keen on being told what to do.**adore** • (*informal*) to like or enjoy sth very much: ▫ She adores working with children.**love or adore?****Adore** is more informal than **love**, and is used to express a stronger feeling.to like/love/be fond of/be keen on/adore **doing sth**to like/love **to do sth**to like/love sth **very much**I like/love/adore **it** here/there/when...to like/love/adore **the way** sb does sthto **really** like/love/adore sb/sthto be **really** fond of/keen on sthSynonyms:

love

like • be fond of sb • adore • be devoted to sb • care for sb • dote on sb

These words all mean to have feelings of love or affection for sb.

love • to have strong feelings of affection for sb: ▫ I love you.

like • to find sb pleasant and enjoy being with them: ▫ She's nice. I like her.

be fond of sb • to feel affection for sb, especially sb you have known for a long time: ▫ I've always been very fond of your mother.

adore • to love sb very much: ▫ It's obvious that she adores him.

be devoted to sb • to love sb very much and be loyal to them: ▫ They are devoted to their children.

care for sb • to love sb, especially in a way that is based on strong affection or a feeling of wanting to protect them, rather than sex: ▫ He cared for her more than she realized.

Care for sb is often used when sb has not told anyone about their feelings or is just starting to be aware of them. It is also used when sb wishes that sb loved them, or doubts that sb does: ▫ If he really cared for you, he wouldn't behave like that.

dote on sb • to feel and show great love for sb, ignoring their faults: ▫ He dotes on his children.

to **really** love/like/adore/care for/dote on sb

to be **really/genuinely** fond of/devoted to sb

to love/like/care for sb **very much**

Example Bank:

- I have very fond memories of my time in Spain.
- She waved a fond farewell to her parents and sister.
- a fond father/mother
- a fond look/smile/memory

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fond /fɒnd \$ faʊnd BrE " AmE " adjective

[Date: 1300-1400; Origin: *fonne* 'stupid person' (13-16 centuries)]

1. **be fond of somebody** to like someone very much, especially when you have known them for a long time and almost feel love for them:

" Joe's quite fond of her, isn't he?

" Over the years we've grown very fond of each other.

2. **be fond of (doing) something** to like something, especially something you have liked for a long time:

" I'm not overly fond of cooking.

" I'd grown fond of the place and it was difficult to leave.

3. **be fond of doing something** to do something often, especially something that annoys other people:

" My grandfather was very fond of handing out advice to all my friends.

4. [**only before noun**] a fond look, smile, action etc shows you like someone very much **SYN affectionate** :

" He gave her a fond look.

" As we parted we said a fond farewell.

5. **have fond memories of something/somebody** to remember someone or something with great pleasure:

" Marie still had fond memories of their time together.

6. **a fond hope/belief** a belief or hope that something will happen, which seems silly because it is very unlikely to happen **in the fond hope/belief that**

" They sent him to another school in the fond hope that his behaviour would improve.

—**fondness** *noun* [uncountable]:

" a fondness for expensive clothes

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