

spectator

[spek'teɪtə] *n*

1. зритель; посетитель (*театра, стадиона и т. п.*)
 the event drew over 10 000 spectators - встреча привлекла свыше десяти тысяч зрителей/болельщиков/
 the spectators were moved to tears - зрители были растроганы до слёз
2. очевидец, наблюдатель
 there were no spectators of the accident - свидетелей катастрофыне было
 I was a spectator of the whole affair - всё это произошло на моих глазах
3. *pl* туфли-лодочки (*часто из кожи двух цветов; мж. spectator pumps*)

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spec-ta-tor [spectator spectators] *BrE* [spek'teɪtə(r)] [ⓘ] *NAmE* ['spekteɪtər] [ⓘ]

noun
 a person who is watching an event, especially a sports event

Word Origin:

late 16th cent.: from French *spectateur* or Latin *spectator*, from *spectare* 'gaze at, observe', frequentative of *specere* 'to look'.

Example Bank:

- He was rendered a virtual spectator for large parts of the game.
- Spectators lined the route of the president's walkabout.
- The stadium will seat 60 000 spectators.
- This year's festival attracted 87 000 spectators.
- I think soccer is the best spectator sport there is.
- The new football stadium will hold 75 000 spectators.
- Thousands of spectators lined the route of the royal procession.

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spec-ta-tor /spek'teɪtə \$ 'spekteɪtər/ *BrE* [ⓘ] *AmE* [ⓘ] **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: *spectare* 'to watch', from *specere* 'to look (at)']

someone who is watching an event or game ⇒ **audience** :

[ⓘ] The match attracted over 40,000 spectators.

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THESAURUS

■ **someone who watches something**

- **spectator** someone who watches an event, especially a sports event: There were 4,500 spectators at the game. | a crowd of spectators
- **viewer** someone who watches television: Millions of television viewers listened to the President's speech. | programmes for younger viewers
- **audience** the people who watch a play or performance, or the people who watch a particular television programme: The audience roared with laughter and clapped. | It attracted a television audience of seven million.
- **onlooker** someone who watches something happening without being involved in it, especially in the street: A man was standing on the roof, watched by a crowd of onlookers below.
- **observer** someone who watches and pays attention to particular situations and events, because they are interested in them, or it is their job: She was a shrewd observer of human nature. | a political observer who writes for The Independent newspaper | The United Nations has sent military observers to the Sudan.

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