

foster *v*

1. 1) **воспитывать (чужого ребёнка)**
her child was fostered - её ребёнок был отдан на воспитание /был воспитан чужими/
- 2) **передавать (ребёнка) на воспитание (мж. to foster out)**
the child was fostered out a few times - ребёнка несколько раз передавали на воспитание чужим
- 3) **выхаживать; ухаживать**
to foster the sick - ухаживать за больными
2. **лелеять, питать**
to foster hope - питать надежду
to foster a desire for revenge - вынашивать мысль о мщении
to foster feelings of hatred - разжигать ненависть
3. **благоприятствовать, способствовать развитию; поощрять**
to foster artistic talent - способствовать развитию художественного таланта
to foster smb.'s interest in smth. - привить кому-л. интерес к чему-л.

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fos-ter [**foster fosters fostered fostering**] **verb, adjective** *BrE* ['fɒstə(r)] *NAmE*

['fɒstə] *NAmE* ['fɑstə]

verb

1. **transitive ~ sth** to encourage sth to develop
Syn: ↑encourage, **Syn:** ↑promote
• The club's aim is to foster better relations within the community.
2. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sb)** (especially *BrE*) to take another person's child into your home for a period of time, without becoming his or her legal parents
• They have fostered over 60 children during the past ten years.
• We couldn't adopt a child, so we decided to foster.

compare ↑adopt

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	foster
	<i>BrE</i> /'fɒstə(r) /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɒstər /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɑstər /
he / she / it	fosters
	<i>BrE</i> /'fɒstəz /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɒstənz /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɑstənz /
past simple, past participle	fostered
	<i>BrE</i> /'fɒstəd /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɒstərd /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɑstərd /
-ing form	fostering
	<i>BrE</i> /'fɒstərɪŋ /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɒstərɪŋ /
	<i>NAmE</i> /'fɑstərɪŋ /

Word Origin:

Old English fōstriān 'feed, nourish', from fōster 'food, nourishment', of Germanic origin; related to ↑food. The sense 'bring up another's (originally also one's own) child' dates from Middle English.

Collocations:

Children

- Having a baby / child*
- want a baby/a child/kids
- start a family
- conceive /be expecting /be going to have a baby/child
- miss your period
- become /get/ be/find out that you are pregnant
- have a baby/a child/kids/a son/a daughter/twins/a family
- have a normal/a difficult/an unwanted pregnancy; an easy/a difficult/a home birth
- be in/go into/induce labour (especially *US*) labor
- have/suffer/cause a miscarriage
- give birth to a child/baby/daughter/son/twins

Parenting

- bring up/ (especially *NAmE*) raise a child/family
- care for/ (especially *BrE*) look after a baby/child/kid
- change (*BrE*) a nappy/(*NAmE*) a diaper/a baby
- feed/breastfeed/bottle-feed a baby
- be entitled to/go on maternity/paternity leave
- go back/return to work after maternity leave
- need/find/get a babysitter/good quality affordable childcare
- balance/combine work and childcare/child-rearing/family life
- educate/teach/home-school a child/kid

punish/discipline/spoil a child/kid
 adopt a baby/child/kid
 offer a baby for/put a baby up for adoption
 (especially BrE) foster a child/kid
 be placed with/be raised by foster parents

Example Bank:

- The school has carefully fostered its progressive image.
- Such organizations need to foster innovation.
- The club's aim is to foster better relations within the community.

adjective only before noun used with some nouns in connection with the fostering of a child

- a **foster mother/father/family**
- **foster parents**
- a **foster child**
- a **foster home**
- **foster care**

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I. **foster**¹ /'fɒstə \$ 'fɑːstə BrE " AmE " verb

1. **[transitive]** to help a skill, feeling, idea etc develop over a period of time **SYN encourage , promote**:
 The bishop helped foster the sense of a community embracing all classes.
2. **[intransitive and transitive]** to take someone else's child into your family for a period of time but without becoming their legal parent
 ⇒ **adopt**:
 The couple wanted to adopt a black child they had been fostering.

II. **foster**² BrE " AmE " adjective

[Language: Old English; Origin: foster-, from foster 'food, feeding']

1. **foster mother/father/parents** the people who foster a child:
 It is sometimes difficult to find suitable foster parents.
2. **foster child/son/daughter** a child who is fostered
3. **foster brother/sister** someone who has different parents from you, but who is being brought up in the same family
4. **foster home** a private home where a child is fostered

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