bored

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bored BrE [bo□d" NAmE [bɔ□rðl" adjective

feeling tired and impatient because you have lost interest in sb/sth or because you have nothing to do

- · There was a bored expression on her face.
- ~ with sb/sth | ~ with doing sth The children quickly got bored with staying indoors.

more at be scared/bored witless at \(^\text{witless}\)

Idioms: \(^\text{bored out of your mind = \(^\text{bored stiff = \(^\text{bored to death}\)}\)

#### Thesaurus:

# bored [bored] adj.

The children were bored with staying indoors.

informal fed up · · sick of sth ·

# **Opp:** interested

bored/fed up/sick of sth bored/fed up with sth get bored/fed up/sick of sth

## Example Bank:

- He seemed faintly bored by the whole process.
- He walked along, bored out of his mind.
- · He was bored with their conversation.
- I remember being bored stiff during my entire time at school.
- She was alone all day and bored to death.
- · Some children get bored very quickly.
- · bored at the prospect of going shopping
- · Personally, I was bored to death.
- The others began to look bored.
- · You must be bored stiff stuck at home all day.

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[Word Family: noun: 1bore, 1boredom; adjective: 1bored, 1boring; verta bore; adverta boringly]

tired and impatient because you do not think something is interesting, or because you have nothing to do:

- He was easily bored.
- After a while, I got bored and left.

#### bored with

Are you bored with your present job?

bored stiff/to tears/to death/out of your mind (=extremely bored)

▶ Do not confuse **bored**, which describes a feeling, and **boring**, which describes someone or something that makes you feel bored: bored students | a boring job

## **COLLOCATIONS**

# verbs

- get bored I get bored if I'm at home on my own all day.
- grow bored written She grew bored and started gazing out of the window.
- look/sound/feel bored Some of the students were starting to look bored.

#### adverbs

• easily bored Teenagers are easily bored in the holidays.

- be bored to tears/to death (=extremely bored) Rob was bored to tears trailing around the shops.
- be bored stiffsilly/rigid (=extremely bored) Patti was bored stiff with small-town Massachusetts life.
- be bored out of your mind (=extremely bored) In some of the lessons, I was bored out of my mind.

## **THESAURUS**

- bored feeling that you are not interested in something or that you have nothing interesting to do: Julia soon got bored with lying on the beach. I I'm bored. Can we go home now?
- fed up [not before noun] informal feeling very bored and annoyed or unhappy used especially when something has continued for too long, and you do not want it to continue any longer: He got fed up with his old job and decided to start looking for a new one. | I'm fed up with listening to you complain! | You sound a bit fed up. Is everything alright?
- be tired of somebody/something (also be sick of somebody/something) to feel very annoyed and bored with something that has continued for too long. Be sick of somebody/something sounds stronger and more annoyed than be tired of somebody/something: People are tired of hearing politicians make promises that they neverkeep. | Do it yourself - I'm sick of cleaning up after you!
- have had enough informal to be so bored with something that has continued for a long time that you decide to leave, do something different, or change the situation: She put up with him for ten years before she finally decided that she had had enough. I I've had enough of all this moaning! Can we try and be more positive?

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