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seam
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 1. [si:m] n
   1. 1) шов
     French seam - французский шов
     inserted seam - выворотный шов
     flat seam - шов впритык
     overcast seam - запошивочный шов
     closed seam - потайной шов
     open-work seam - шов мережкой
     the seam of a garment - шов платья
     to rip up /to undo/ a seam - распороть шов
   2) тех. спай, шов
     welded seam - сварной шов
     the seams of a boat - швы лодки
   3) тех. заусенцы по шву
   2. рубец, шрам
     seam of an old wound - рубец от старой раны
   3. глубокая морщина
   4. 1) геол. прослоек; пласт
   2) с.-х. пласт (отрезаемый плугом)
   5. ряд выворотных петель (вязание)
   6. тонкая трещина (в металле)
 2. [si:m] v
   1. обыкн. р. р.
   1) покрывать рубцами, шрамами; бороздить
     seamed with cracks - покрытый трещинами
     seamed with the smallpox - рябой
     a face seamed with scars - лицо, покрытое шрамами
     a face seamed with wrinkles - лицо изборождённое морщинами
   2) носить глубокие, неизгладимые следы (чего-л.)
     his face is seamed with sorrow - горе оставило глубокие следы на его лице
   2. редк. сшивать, соединять швами (mж. seam up)
   3. вязать выворотными петлями
[si:m] n
  свиной жир
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seam [seam seams seamed seaming] BrE [si ] m
                                                   NAmE [si□m] "
 1. a line along which two edges of cloth, etc. are joined or sewn together
  • a shoulder seam
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## seam

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- 2. a thin layer of coal or other material, between layers of rock under the ground
  - They struck a rich seam of iron ore.
  - (figurative) The book is a rich seam of information.
- 3. a line where two edges meet, for example the edges of wooden boards
- Light was spilling in through the seams of the door.

more at fray at/around the edges/seams at fray ,

I dioms bulging at the seams ■ coming apart at the seams

Word Origin:

Old English sēam, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch zoom and German Saum.

## Example Bank:

- · She sewed the seam with small neat stitches.
- The festival exploits a rich seam of talent in the local area.
- The film is bursting at the seams with good performances.
- · Their marriage was coming apart at the seams.
- They're still mining a rich seam of high-grade coal.
- This city is bursting at the seams with would-be actors.
- Finish the edges before sewing the shoulder seam.
- I only had the shoes for a month before they started to fall apart at the seams.

seam

seam /si n/l BrE \* noun [countable] AmE \*

[Language: Old English]

- 1. a line where two pieces of cloth, leather etc have been stitched together:
  - She was repairing Billy's trousers, where the seam had come undone.
  - Join the shoulder seams together.

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2. a layer of a mineral under the ground seam of coal/iron etc

- 3. be coming/falling apart at the seams
- a) if a plan, organization etc is coming apart at the seams, so many things are going wrong with it that it will probably fail: The health service seems to be falling apart at the seams.
- b) if a piece of clothing is coming apart at the seams, the stitches on it are coming unfastened
- 4. be bursting/bulging at the seams if a room or building is bursting at the seams, it is so full of people that hardly anyone else can fit into it
- **5**. **a** (rich) seam of something a thing, place, or group from which a type of thing can be obtained:
  - The 466-page book is a rich seam of statistical information.
- 6. a line where two pieces of metal, wood etc have been joined together

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