pedal

1. ['pedl] n

clutch pedal - авт. педаль сцепления

2. муз. педаль

damper /loud, forte/ pedal - правая педаль (у фортельяно) soft /piano/ pedal - левая педаль (у фортельяно) sostenuto pedal - средняя педаль

2. ['pedl] a

- 1. педальный
- 2. анат. относящийся к стопе, ножной
- 3. ['pedl] V
 - 1. нажимать педаль; жать на педали
 - 2. ехать на велосипеде

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pedal [pedal pedals pedaled pedaled pedaling pedaling] noun, verb BrE ['pedi] [#] NAmE ['pedi] [#]

noun

1. a flat bar on a machine such as a bicycle, car, etc. that you push down with your foot in order to make parts of the machine move or work

- I couldn't reach the pedals on her bike.
- She pressed her foot down sharply on the brake pedal.
- a pedal boat (= one driven by [†]pedals)
- 2. a bar on a musical instrument such as a piano or an organ that you push with your foot in order to control the sound

Word Origin:

early 17th cent. (denoting a foot-operated lever of an organ): from French pédale, from Italian pedale, from Latin pedalis 'a foot in length', from pes, ped- 'foot'.

Example Bank:

- · Her foot was working the pedal of the sewing machine.
- · Some guitar players tend to overuse the wah-wah pedal.
- To stop the machine push the foot pedal.
- with one foot on the pedal

verb (-II-, US also -I-)

1. intransitive, transitive to ride a bicycle somewhere

- + adv./prep. I saw her pedalling along the towpath.
- He jumped on his bike and pedalled off.
- She pedalled away down the hill.
- ~ sth + adv./prep. She pedalled her bicycle up the track.

2. intransitive, transitive to turn or press the [†]pedals on a bicycle or other machine

- (+ adv./prep.) You'll have to pedal hard up this hill.
- · You can stop pedalling and freewheel for a while.
- \bullet ~ sth She had been pedalling her exercise bike all morning.

see also *†back-pedal, †soft-pedal*

Verb forms: verb forms

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	pedal
	BrE / 'pedi/
	NAmE /'pedl/
he / she /it	pedals
	BrE / 'pedlz/
	NAmE / pediz/
past simple, past participle	pedalled (US also) pedaled
	BrE / 'pedid/
	NAmE /'pedid/
-ing form	pedaling (US also) pedaling
	BrE / 'pedim/
	NAmE /'pediny/

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Example Bank:

- He pedalled along the lane and up the hill.
- He pedalled furiously up the hill.
- He refused to pedal up the hill.

- · She pedalled away as fast as she could.
- You have to pedal hard to get anywhere.

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I. ped al ¹ /'pedl/ BrE AmE noun [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: French; Origin: pedale, from Italian, from Latin pedalis 'of the foot']



- 1. (also bicycle pedal) one of the two parts of a bicycle that you push round with your feet to make the bicycle go forward
- **2**. a part in a car or on a machine that you press with your foot to control it: She put her foot down on the accelerator pedal.
- 3. a part on a piano or organ that you press with your foot to change the quality of the sound
- 4. put/press/push the pedal to the metal American English
 - a) to drive a car, truck etc very fast
- b) to work harder or faster, especially so that you can win a game

II. pedal ² BrE ^{*} AmE ^{*} verb (past tense and past participle pedalled , present participle pedalling British English, pedaled , pedaling American English) [intransitive and transitive]

1. [always + adverb/preposition] to ride a bicycle ⇒ cycle, ride pedal up/along/down etc

Andrew pedalled up the road towards the town centre.

2. to turn or push the pedals on a bicycle or other machine with your feet: She was pedalling furiously (=very fast).

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