

flicker

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1. ['flɪkə] *n*
 1. мерцание
 2. колеблющийся свет
 3. 1) (короткая) вспышка
the final flicker of a dying fire - последняя вспышка гаснущего костра
 - 2) проблеск, вспышка
flicker of enthusiasm - вспышка воодушевления
 4. трепетание, дрожание
flicker of the eyelashes - взмах ресниц
 5. кино тряска, мелькание (изображения)
 6. *pl сл.* кинокартина, кинофильм
2. ['flɪkə] *v*
 1. мерцать; вспыхивать и гаснуть
the last hope flickered and died - последняя надежда вспыхнула и погасла
a smile flickered on his lips - на его губах мелькнула улыбка
 2. 1) трепетать, дрожать
leaves flicker in the wind - листья трепещут на ветру
flickering shadows - дрожащие /колеблющиеся/ тени
 - 2) моргать, мигать
 3. бить, хлопать крыльями
 4. налетать (о ветерке)
 5. *амер.* подавать световые сигналы

II

['flɪkə] *n амер. зоол.*
золотой, золотистый дятел (*Colaptes auratus*)

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flicker [flicker flickers flickered flickering] *verb, noun* BrE ['flɪkə(r)]¹ NAmE

['flɪkər]

verb

1. **intransitive** (of a light or a flame) to keep going on and off as it shines or burns
 - The lights flickered and went out.
 - the flickering screen of the television
2. **intransitive + adv./prep.** (of an emotion, a thought, etc.) to be expressed or appear somewhere for a short time
 - Anger flickered in his eyes.
 - A smile flickered across her face.
3. **intransitive** to move with small quick movements
 - Her eyelids flickered as she slept.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	flicker
	BrE / 'flɪkə(r) /
	NAmE / 'flɪkər /
he / she / it	flickers
	BrE / 'flɪkəz /
	NAmE / 'flɪkərz /
past simple, past participle	flickered
	BrE / 'flɪkəd /
	NAmE / 'flɪkəd /
-ing form	flickering
	BrE / 'flɪkərɪŋ /
	NAmE / 'flɪkərɪŋ /

Word Origin:

Old English flicorian, flycerian 'to flutter', probably of Germanic origin and related to Low German flickern and Dutch flikkeren.

Example Bank:

- Her eyes flickered nervously in anticipation.
- His gaze flickered over her.
- Kate's eyes flickered open.
- The lights flickered on and off.
- The television screen flickered into life.
- Black and white images were flickering on the screen.
- The candle flickered and went out.
- The lights flickered on the other side of the room.

noun usually singular ~ (of sth)

1. a light that shines in an unsteady way
 - the flicker of a television/candle

- 2. a small, sudden movement with part of the body
 - the flicker of an eyelid
 - By not the merest flicker of an eyelid did he betray his interest.
- 3. a feeling or an emotion that lasts for only a very short time
 - a **flicker of hope/doubt/interest**
 - A flicker of a smile crossed her face.

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- 'He'll soon be here,' she thought, with a flicker of excitement.
- A flicker of guilt crossed his face.
- A flicker of movement caught her eye and she turned her head.
- European stock markets showed barely a flicker of interest in the election result.
- He saw a flicker of light in the darkness.
- Her only reaction was a slight flicker of her eyes.
- I noticed a flicker of a smile on her face.
- She caught the faintest flicker of amusement on his face.
- She felt a brief flicker of jealousy.
- She spoke without a flicker of fear.
- The brief flicker of a candle flame caught our eyes.
- The candle gave one last flicker and went out.
- The police stamped out the last flickers of freedom.
- The secret police were determined to stamp out the last flickers of academic freedom.
- The witness stared at the accused but she showed not a flicker of recognition.

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I. **flicker**¹ /'flɪkə \$ -ər/ BrE " AmE " verb [intransitive]

[Language: Old English; Origin: flicorian]

1. to burn or shine with an unsteady light that goes on and off quickly:

" The overheadlights flickered momentarily.

2. [always + adverb/preposition] if an emotion or expression flickers on someone's face or through their mind, it exists or is shown for only a short time

flicker across/through/on etc

" A puzzled smile flickered across the woman's face.

3. to quickly make a sudden small movement or series of movements:

" Polly's eyelids flickered, then she slept.

II. **flicker**² BrE " AmE " noun [countable]

1. an unsteady light that goes on and off quickly

flicker of

" the flicker of the firelight

2. a **flicker of emotion/uncertainty/excitement etc** a feeling or expression that continues for a very short time:

" She saw a flicker of doubt in his eyes.

3. a quick sudden movement or series of movements

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