

**slum**

I

- [slʌm] *n*
  - обыкн. pl** трущобы  
slum clearance - снос ветхих домов, расчистка трущоб  
slum dwellers - обитатели трущоб
  - глухой, грязный закоулок
- [slʌm] *v*
  - посещать трущобы (с *благотворительной целью или из любопытства*; **обыкн.** to go slumming)
  - презр.** ходить в гости к лицам, стоящим ниже по общественному положению; посещать дешёвые кабаки *и т. п.* (из *любопытства*)
  - жить на ограниченные средства, еле-еле перебиваться  
they've been slumming for years - они уже давно едва сводят концы с концами

II

[slʌm] *n*  
медленный гребок (*плавание*)

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**slum** [slʌm slʌms slummed slumming] *noun, verb* **BrE** [slʌm] <sup>u</sup> **NAme** [slʌm]

**noun**  
an area of a city that is very poor and where the houses are dirty and in bad condition

- a slum area
- city/urban slums**
- She was brought up in the slums of Leeds.
- slum clearance schemes
- a plan to rehouse slum dwellers

Word Origin:  
early 19th cent. (originally slang, in the sense 'room'): of unknown origin.

Example Bank:

- a kid from the slums
- born in the slums of East London

Idiom: †slum it

**verb** (-mm-) **intransitive** (usually **be slumming**) (informal)  
to spend time in places or conditions that are much worse than those you are used to

- There are plenty of ways you can cut costs on your trip without slumming.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	slum
	BrE /sɪlʌm/
	NAme /sɪlʌm/
he / she / it	slums
	BrE /sɪlʌmz/
	NAme /sɪlʌmz/
past simple, past participle	slummed
	BrE /sɪlʌmd/
	NAme /sɪlʌmd/
-ing form	slumming
	BrE /sɪlʌmɪŋ/
	NAme /sɪlʌmɪŋ/

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I. **slum**<sup>1</sup> /slʌm/ **BrE** <sup>u</sup> **AmE** <sup>u</sup> *noun*

- [countable]** a house or an area of a city that is in very bad condition, where very poor people live:
  - a slum area
  - slum housing
  - the slums of London
- [singular]** **British English informal** a very untidy place

**THESAURUS**

- area** a part of a town or country, or of the world: They live in a very wealthy area. | coastal areas
  - region** a large area of a country or the world: the northwest region of Russia | desert regions
  - zone** an area that is different from other areas around it in some way: a war zone | a no-parking zone | We crossed two different time zones
- areas where there is a particular time compared to the rest of the world.

- **district** one of the areas a city or town is officially divided into, or an area of a city where a particular group live or an activity happens: the Chelsea district of Manhattan | **the business/financial/theatre etc district**: the financial district of London
- **neighbourhood** *British English*, **neighborhood** *American English* /'neɪbəhʊd \$ -ər-/ an area of a town where people live: a friendly neighbourhood | There are lots of trees in our neighborhood.
- **suburb** an area outside the centre of a city, where people live: a suburb of Boston
- **quarter** an area of a town or city where people of a particular nationality live: the French quarter of New Orleans
- **slum** an area of a city that is in very bad condition, where many poor people live: He grew up in the slums of East London.
- **ghetto** an area of a city where poor people of a particular race or class live: a black baby born in the ghetto

II. **slum**<sup>2</sup> *BrE* <sup>1</sup> *AmE* <sup>1</sup> *verb*

**slum it/be slumming** *informal* to spend time in conditions that are much worse than you are used to – often used humorously:

<sup>1</sup> Jeremy doesn't slum it when he goes away.

**slum**

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RANGE: **5k** **SLUM** <sup>1696</sup>

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slums <sup>881</sup>

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