

**cleanse**

[klenz] *v*

- 1) очищать; чистить, делать чистым  
to cleanse the soul - очищать душу  
to cleanse of wickedness - *рел.* очистить от скверны
  - 2) излечивать  
his leprosy was cleansed - он излечился от проказы
  - 3) дезинфицировать, очищать  
to cleanse a wound - очищать /дезинфицировать/ рану
2. очищать желудок (*слабительным*)

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**cleanse** [cleanse cleanses cleansed cleansing] *BrE* [klenz] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [klenz]

- verb**
1. **transitive, intransitive** ~ (sth) to clean your skin or a wound  
• a cleansing cream
  2. **transitive** ~ sb (of/from sth) (*literary*) to take away sb's guilty feelings or ↑sin  
• She felt cleansed of her sins after confession.

**see also** ↑ethnic cleansing

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	cleanse
	BrE /kɛnz/
	NAmE /kɛnz/
he / she /it	cleanses
	BrE /kɛnzɪz/
	NAmE /kɛnzɪz/
past simple, past participle	cleansed
	BrE /kɛnzɪd/
	NAmE /kɛnzɪd/
-ing form	cleansing
	BrE /kɛnzɪŋ/
	NAmE /kɛnzɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English clænsian (verb), from clæne, of West Germanic origin; related to Dutch and German klein 'small'.

Synonyms:

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wash • rinse • cleanse • dry-clean

These words all mean to remove dirt from sth, especially by using water and/or soap.

**clean** • to remove dirt or dust from sth, especially by using water or chemicals: ▫ The villa is cleaned twice a week. ◇ ▫ Have you cleaned your teeth? ◇ ▫ This coat is filthy. I'll have it cleaned ▫ (= dry-cleaned) .

**wash** • to remove dirt from sth using water and usually soap: ▫ He quickly washed his hands and face. ◇ ▫ These jeans need washing.

**rinse** • to remove dirt, etc. from sth using clean water only, not soap; to remove the soap from sth with clean water after washing it: ▫ Make sure you rinse all the soap out.

**cleanse** • to clean your skin or a wound.

**dry-clean** • to clean clothes using chemicals instead of water.

to clean/wash/rinse/cleanse sth **in/with** sth

to clean/wash/rinse sth **from** sth

to clean/wash/cleanse a **wound**

to clean/wash the **car/floor**

to wash/rinse your **hair**

to **have sth** cleaned/washed/dry-cleaned

Example Bank:

- The wound was then cleansed and dressed.
- a lotion to cleanse the face/skin

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**cleanse** /klenz/ *BrE* <sup>u</sup> *AmE* <sup>u</sup> **verb** [transitive]

[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑cleaner, ↑cleaning, ↑cleanliness, ↑clean, ↑cleanser; **verb:** ↑clean, ↑cleanse; **adverb:** ↑clean, ↑cleanly; **adjective:** ↑clean ≠ ↑unclean]

1. to make something completely clean:

- Use a piece of gauze to cleanse the cut.
- The water is cleansed and reused.

2. to remove everything that is bad or immoral from a person's character, an organization, or a place – used especially in news reports

cleanse somebody/something of something

" The mayor was elected on a promise to cleanse the city government of corruption.

⇒ †ethnic cleansing

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