

squeak**1. [skwi:k] n**

1. писк
squeak of a mouse - мышиный писк
2. скрип
squeak of a pencil [of wheels] - скрип карандаша [колёс]
3. *сл.* шанс, случай
to give smb. one more squeak - дать кому-л. ещё одну возможность
4. *разг.* спасение (*от чего-л.*); избавление
to have a narrow /a close, a near/ squeak - быть на волосок от гибели, еле-еле избежать смерти
5. *сл.* сержант
6. *австрал. сл.* солдатня

2. [skwi:k] v

1. 1) пищать; повизгивать
- 2) пропищать (*что-л.*)
2. скрипеть
3. *сл.*
 - 1) доносить, выдавать сообщников, «стучать»
 - 2) сознаться, «расколотся»
4. *сл.* еле-еле пробиться; с трудом спастись *или* выиграть

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squeak [squeak squeaks squeaked squeaking] verb, noun BrE [skwi:k] [ⓘ]NAme [skwi:k] [ⓘ]**verb**

1. **intransitive** to make a short high sound that is not very loud
 - My new shoes squeak.
 - The mouse ran away, squeaking with fear.
 - One wheel makes a horrible squeaking noise.
2. **transitive, intransitive (+ speech)** to speak in a very high voice, especially when you are nervous or excited
 - 'Let go of me!' he squeaked nervously.
3. **intransitive + adv./prep.** to only just manage to win sth, pass a test, etc
 - We squeaked into the final with a goal in the last minute.
 - The gun control measures narrowly squeaked through Congress.
 - The socialist party squeaked home with a majority of just two seats.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	squeak
	BrE /skwi:k/
	NAme /skwi:k/
he / she /it	squeaks
	BrE /skwi:ks/
	NAme /skwi:ks/
past simple, past participle	squeaked
	BrE /skwi:kt/
	NAme /skwi:kt/
-ing form	squeaking
	BrE /skwi:kɪŋ/
	NAme /skwi:kɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as a verb): imitative; compare with Swedish *skvåka* 'croak', also with [↑]squeal and [↑]shriek. The noun dates from the early 17th cent.

noun

a short, high cry or sound, that is not usually very loud

- the squeak of a mouse
- Shirley gave a little squeak of surprise.

see also [↑]bubble and squeak

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Example Bank:

- She gave a little squeak of surprise.
- The door opened with a squeak.
- The situation was allowed to continue without a squeak of protest from the government
- the squeak of rubber soles on the wooden floor

squeakI. **squeak**¹ /skwi:k BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ verb

[Date: 1300-1400; Origin: From the sound]

1. **[intransitive]** to make a short high noise or cry that is not loud:

A rat squeaked and ran into the bushes.

The door squeaked open.

2. **[intransitive and transitive]** to say something in a very high voice, especially because you are nervous or excited:

'Too late!' she squeaked.

3. **[intransitive always + adverb/preposition] informal** to succeed, win, or pass a test by a very small amount so that you only just avoid failure **SYN scrape****squeak through/by/past/in**

She just squeaked through her math test.

II. **squeak**² BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ noun [countable]1. a very short high noise or cry **SYN squeal****squeak of**

a squeak of alarm

the high-pitched squeak of a bat

2. **not a squeak** if there is not a squeak from someone, they do not say anything or communicate at all:

We didn't hear a squeak from him in months.

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THESAURUS

■ a high sound

■ **squeak** a very short high sound or cry: I heard the squeak of his shoes on the tiled floor. | Annie gave a squeak of surprise.■ **creak** a long high sound that something makes when someone opens it, walks on it, sits on it etc - used especially about a door, wooden floor, bed, or stairs: the creak of floorboards | The door opened with a creak.■ **screech** a loud, long, unpleasantly high sound - used especially about someone's voice, or about brakes, tyres etc: There was a screech of tyres followed by a bang. | She let out a screech of horror.■ **beep** (also **bleep** *British English*) a high electronic sound that a machine sends out, especially in order to attract someone's attention: You'll hear a beep when the photocopier's finished printing.**squeak**

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