grubby
['grʌbi] а
1. неряшливый, неопрятный, грязный grubby hands - грязные руки, руки сомнительной чистоты
2. поражённый личинками; червивый

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grubby [grubby grubbier grubbiest] BrE ['grʌbi] \* NAmE ['grʌbi] \* adjective (grub·bier, grub·bi·est)

- 1. rather dirty, usually because it has not been washed or cleaned
- grubby hands/clothes
- 2. unpleasant because it involves activities that are dishonest or immoral

Syn: ↑sordid

a grubby scandal

Derived Word 1 grubbiness

#### Synonyms:

dirty

dusty • filthy • muddy • soiled • grubby • stained

These words all describe sb/sth that is not clean.

dirty • not clean; covered with dust, soil, mud, oil, etc: • If your hands are dirty, go and wash them.

dusty • full of dust; covered with dust: • There were shelves full of dusty books.

filthy • very dirty and unpleasant: • It's absolutely filthy in here.

muddy • full of or covered in mud: • Don't you come in here with those muddy boots on!

soiled • (rather formal) dirty, especially with waste from the body: • soiled nappies/diapers

grubby • (rather informal) rather dirty, usually because it has not been washed: • He hoped she wouldn't notice his grubby shirt cuffs.

**stained** • (often in compounds) covered with stains; marked with a stain (= a dirty mark that is difficult to remove): • a pair of paint-stained jeans

dirty/dusty/filthy/muddy/soiled/grubby/stained clothes

dirty/dusty/filthy/grubby hands

a dirty/dusty/filthy room

to get dirty/dusty/filthy/muddy/stained

#### Example Bank:

- · Having to put on unwashed clothes made her feel grubby.
- · He hoped she wouldn't notice his grubby shirt cuffs.
- · My hands are a bit grubby.

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grub by /'grʌbi/ BrE AmE adjective

[Date: 1600-1700; Origin: ⇒ †grub¹; because places full of grubs are dirty]

- 1. fairly dirty:
  - a grubby handkerchief
  - a gang of grubby kids
- 2. grubby behaviouror activity is morally unpleasant:

the grubby details of his financial dealings

- **3**. **grubby hands/paws/mitts** *informal* used to talk about someone touching something or becoming involved in it when you do not want them to:
  - Keep your grubby paws to yourself!
  - I bet he can't wait to get his grubby hands on my money!

—grubbiness noun [uncountable]

### THESAURUS

- dirty not clean: His clothes were untidy and he had dirty hands.
- filthy very dirty: Each year filthy water causes millions of cases of illness.
- muddy covered with mud: It had been raining hard and the path was muddy.
- dusty covered with dust: the dusty shelves in the attic
- greasy covered with oil or grease: Greasy food is bad for your health.
- **grubby** (also **mucky** British English) informal fairly dirty and needing to be cleaned or washed: He was wearing a grubby white T-shirt. | mucky fingers
- grimy covered with thick dirt or dirt that has been there a long time: I couldn't see much out of the grimy windows of the train.
- **dingy** /'dɪndʒi/ looking dark, dirty, and unpleasant. Used about rooms, houses, and buildings: We worked in a dingy little office behind the station.
- polluted used about land, water, or air that has been made dirty: 85% of city dwellers breathe heavily polluted air.
- contaminated made dirty by a dangerous substance or bacteria: The virus is mainly spread through contaminated food.
- squalid /'skwpled, 'skwplid \$ 'skwplid active extremely dirty and unpleasant. Used about the place or conditions in which someone lives: People are living in squalid conditions, with little water and no sanitation.
- unhygienic /ʌnhaɪ'dʒi□n□k\$-'dʒe-, -'dʒi□/- formal used about dirty conditions that are likely to cause disease, especially

conditions in kitchens, restaurants, and hospitals: The food was prepared under unhygienic conditions.

- unsanitary (also insanitary British English) formal used about dirty conditions that are likely to cause disease, especially because there is not a good system for getting rid of waste: People's health is being threatened by overcrowded and insanitary homes. | They work for long hours in unsanitary conditions.
- soiled formal made dirty, especially by waste from your body: Soiled nappies should be changed as quickly as possible.

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