assassin Apresyan (En-Ru)

[ə'sæsın] n

- 1. 1) убийца политического или общественного деятеля
- 2) наёмный убийца
- 2. (Assassins) ист. фанатики-мусульмане (часто одурманенные гашишем), убивавшие крестоносцев

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

as·sas·sin[assassinassassins] BrE [əˈsæsɪn] ** NAmE [əˈsæsn] ** noun

- a person who murders sb important or famous, for money or for political reasons
 - a hired/professional assassin

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from French, or from medieval Latin assassinus, from Arabic hašīšī 'hashish-eater'.

Example Bank:

- · He was killed by a hired assassin.
- They hired a professional assassin to do the job for them.

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as sassin /əˈsæsən, əˈsæsɪn/ BrE * AmE * noun [countable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Medieval Latin; Origin: assassinus, from Arabic hashshashin 'one who smokes hashish (and then kills religious enemies)', from hashish]

someone who murders an important person:

Kennedy's assassin is assumed to have been Lee Harvey Oswald.

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