

ballad['bæləd] *n*

- 1) баллада
ballad stanza - *стих.* балладная строфа
- 2) народная песня (*сентиментально-повествовательного характера*)
- 3) *уст.* сатирическая песенка

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bal·lad [ballad ballads] *BrE* ['bæləd] ^m *NAmE* ['bæləd] ^m **noun**

1. a song or poem that tells a story
 - a medieval ballad about a knight and a lady
2. a slow song about love
 - Her latest single is a ballad.

Word Origin:

late 15th cent. (denoting a light, simple song): from Old French *balade*, from Provençal *balada* 'dance, song to dance to', from *balar* 'to dance', from late Latin *ballare*; related to Greek *ballizein* 'to dance'. The sense 'narrative poem' dates from the mid 18th cent.

Collocations:**Music***Listening*

listen to/enjoy/love/be into music/classical music/jazz/pop/hip-hop, etc.

listen to the radio/an MP3 player/a CD

put on/play a CD/a song/some music

turn down/up the music/radio/volume/bass

go to a concert/festival/gig/performance/recital

copy/burn/rip music/a CD/a DVD

download music/an album/a song/a demo/a video

Playing

play a musical instrument/the piano/percussion/a note/a riff/the melody/a concerto/a duet/by ear

sing an anthem/a ballad/a solo/an aria/the blues/in a choir/soprano/alto/tenor/bass/out of tune

hum a tune/a theme tune/a lullaby

accompany a singer/choir

strum a chord/guitar

Performing

form/start/get together/join/quit/leave a band

give a performance/concert/recital

do a concert/recital/gig

play a concert/gig/festival/venue

perform (*BrE*) at/in a concert/(*especially NAmE*) a concert

appear at a festival/live

go on/embark on a (world) tour

Recording

write/compose music/a ballad/a melody/a tune/a song/a theme song/an opera/a symphony

land/get/sign a record deal

be signed to/be dropped by a record company

record/release/put out an album/a single/a CD

be top of/top the charts

get to/go straight to/go straight in at/enter the charts at number one

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1. a slow love song
2. a short story in the form of a poem or song

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THESAURUS■ **types of song**

- **national anthem** the official song of a country, which is sung or played on public occasions: Before the match, everyone stood up to sing the national anthem.
- **hymn** /hɪm/ a religious song that is sung in a church: What hymns did you choose for your wedding? | At funerals people often sing the hymn 'Abide with Me'.
- **carol** a traditional Christmas song: We went around the houses, singing carols.
- **folk song** a traditional song from a particular area: an old Mexican folk song
- **ballad** a long folk song which tells a story: a traditional ballad about a man who is dreaming of his home in Ireland
- **lullaby** a slow quiet song sung to children to make them go to sleep: She sat by the child's bed, softly singing a lullaby.

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