

# woman

**noun**

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plural **women** US  /'wɪm.ɪn/ UK  /'wɪm.ɪn/



**A1** [ C ]

## an adult female human being:

- *She's a really nice woman.*
- *A woman and two men were arrested the day after the explosion.*
- *Women first got the vote in Britain in 1918.*
- *She is Ireland's first woman (= female) president.*



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## an adult who lives and identifies as female though they may have been said to have a different sex at birth:

- *She was the first trans woman elected to a national office.*
- *mary is a woman who was assigned male at birth.*



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## a wife or female sexual partner:

- *Apparently, Jeff has a new woman.*



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## women in general:

- *He is writing a book on the representation of woman in medieval art.*

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- *A woman with a clipboard stopped us in the street to ask us some questions.*
- *Her new film deals with the relationship between a woman and her sick daughter.*
- *It is an illness which afflicts women more than men.*
- *In the 1920s, short hair for women became the vogue.*
- *The painter has managed to capture every nuance of the woman's expression.*

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used to form nouns describing certain types of women or women with certain jobs:

- *an Englishwoman/Frenchwoman*
- *a chairwoman*

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an adult female human being:

- *Our chief of police is a woman, and our mayor is a woman, too.*
- *She is an active, elderly woman.*
- *More men than women suffer from high blood pressure.*

## Idiom

the woman in the street

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