

# meta

Line breaks: meta

[Pronunciation:](#) 'mɛtə

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## Definition of *met* in English

### noun

short for [meta key](#)

Example sentences

- If you frequently use Alt keys-for example, if you use Emacs and Alt is your meta key-you probably will prefer this.
- A predecessor of the pop-up window, the fast meta refresh trick involves opening one page and almost instantly having your browser redirected to another page.
- Each of these elements is enclosed in angle brackets and begins with the word 'meta' (< meta... >).

### adjective

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(Of a [creative](#) work) [referring](#) to itself or to the [conventions](#) of its [genre](#); [self-referential](#): the [enterprise](#) is [inherently](#) 'meta' since it doesn't [review movies](#) [for example](#) it [reviews](#) the [reviewers](#) who [review movies](#)

More example sentences

- Have we been, again, duped by the dripping irony that infects the post / meta genre, rendering it all but useless?
- It's really easy to criticize a bad record, but impossible to do great music justice in ink (or meta ink for that matter).
- It's a song about several songs, and this meta aspect never sounds forced or calculated - instead, it seems artful and intuitive.

### Origin

1980s: from [meta-](#)

## Definition of meta in

- [US English](#) dictionary
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