single-handed -

4 singles [U, with sing, or pl. verb] a game of tennis, etc. in which one player plays against one other player; the final of the women's singles. · Look at doubles. مباراة فردية (في التنس مثلاً)

single verb PHRV single sb/sth out (for sth) to give spe- cial attention or treatment to one person or thing from a group: He singled Sue Taylor out for praise.

singly /smgli/ ade one by one; individually: You يختصه

: can buy the tapes either singly or in packs of three بالواحد : بشكل أفرادي

,single-'handed adj, adu done by one person, done without help from anybody else: a single- handed yacht race فردي : دون مساعدة من أحد

single- minded adj having one clear aim or purpose: I admired her single-minded determin- ation to win. عاقد عزمه على هدف معين

single 'parent noun [C] a parent who looks after his/her child or children alone: a single- parent family والد وحيد

singlet /'smglat/ noun [C] (Brit) 1 a piece of clothing for a man, without sleeves, worn under or instead of a shirt قميص تحتاني دون كمين

2 a similar piece of clothing worn by runners, etc. قميص رياضي دون كمين

singular /'smgjala(r)/ adj 1 (grammar) in the form that is used for talking about one person or thing only: 'Table' is a singular noun; 'tables' is a plural noun. مفرد

2 (formal) unusual

غير عادي ، فريد

singular noun [sing.] (grammar) the singular form: The word 'clothes' has no singular. o What's the singular of 'people'? صيغة المفرد

singularly adu (formal) unusually; particularly: The government has been singularly unsuccessful in its policy against terrorism. بصورة غير معتادة : بشكل خاص

sinister /'smista(r)/ adj making you feel that sth bad will happen; frightening: a sinister atmos- phere o There's something sinister about him. He frightens me. مشؤوم، منفر بشر : مرعب

"sink' /sık/ verb (pt sank /sænk/; pp sunk /sank/) 1 [IT] to go down or make sth go down under the surface or to the bottom of water, etc: If you throw a stone into water, it sinks. o The boat sank to the bottom of the sea. o Three ships were sunk by enemy planes. o My feet sank into the mud يغرق، بخوص: يغرق

2 [1] to get lower; to fall to a lower position or level: After a few days the flood water began to sink. o We watched the sun sink slowly below the horizon. يهبط ، ينخفض

3 [I] (used about a person) to move or fall to a lower position, usually because you are tired or

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weak: I came home very tired and sank into a chair. بتهالك ، ينهار

4 [1] to decrease in value, number, amount, strength, etc. IUM your heart sinks -> HEART بهط ، ينقص . ينهار

PHRV sink in/sink into sth 1 (used about a liquid) to go into sth solid; to be absorbed ينفذ في : يمنص

2 (used about information, an event, an experi- ence, etc.) to be completely understood; to become clear in the mind: It took a long time for the terrible news to sink in. يغهم جيداً، يتضح

sink2 /sık/ noun [C] a basin in a kitchen that is connected to the water supply with pipes and taps and used for washing dishes, vegetables, etc. مغسلة المطبخ

sinus /'samas/ noun [C] (often plural) one of the spaces in the bones of the face that are connected to the nose: I've got a terrible cold and all my si- nuses are blocked. o a sinus infection جيب (ج جيوب)

sip /sıp/ verb [I.T] (sipping; sipped) to drink, tak- ing only a very small amount of liquid into your mouth at a time: We sat in the sun, sipping lemon- ade. › sip noun: a sip of water يرتشف ، يحتسي

siphon (also syphon) /'saifn/ verb [T] siphon sth into/out of sth; siphon sth off/out to re- move a liquid from a container (or to transfer it from one container to another) through a tube يسحب سائلاً من وعاء بممص أو سيفون

sir /sa:(r)/ noun 1 (used as a formal or very polite way of speaking to a man, especially one of high- er rank in the armed forces, or a male customer in a restaurant or shop): You should always ad- dress a superior officer as 'sir'. o I'm afraid we haven't got your size, sir. „ Look at madam and miss يا سيدي

2 Sir, Sirs (used at the beginning of a formal letter to a male person or male people): Dear Sir ... o Dear Sirs ... = Look at madam. تستعمل عند استهلال رسالة رسميّة

3 Sir /sa(r)/ the title that is used in front of the name of a man who has received one of the highest British honours: Sir Steve Redgrave "السير": لقب شرف

siren /'sairan/ noun [C] a machine that makes a long, loud sound in order to warn people about sth, e.g. on an ambulance, fire engine or police car: an air-raid siren صفارة الإنذار

sister /'sista(r)/ noun [C] 1 a girl or woman who has the same parents as another person: I've got one brother and two sisters. o We're sisters. أخت، شقيقة

2 often Sister a senior hospital nurse ممرضة عالية الرتب