

# a·broad

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adverb

**1** FOREIGNTRAVEL in or to a foreign country:

*I've never **lived abroad** before.*

*She often **goes abroad** on business.*

*We never **travelled abroad** when we were kids.*

*goods imported **from abroad***

*The books about Harry Potter have been very popular, both **at home and abroad**.*

**2** (formal) if a feeling, piece of news etc is abroad, a lot of people feel it or know about it:

*commercial secrets which we did not want to be spread **abroad***

## Word origin

**Date:** 1500–1600

**Origin:** *abroad* 'over a wide area' (13–21 centuries), from *broad*

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