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dream of

to think about something that you want very much:

- I dream of one day working for myself and not having a boss.
- I dream of being a famous musician.
- As a schoolgirl, she had dreamed of becoming an actress.
- Many people dream of fame and fortune.

wouldn't dream of sth/doing sth (phrase)

used to say that you would not do something because you think it is wrong or silly.

- My father is very generous, but I wouldn't dream of actually asking him for money!
- I wouldn't dream of telling you how to do your job.

dream of/about

We use dream about/of someone or something to mean that we had a dream in which they appear.

- I dreamed about/of you last night.
- Have you ever dreamed about/of your ex?

dream of + verb is more common.

- He dreamed of drowning and woke up trembling.
- I dreamed of being in Paris last night.

Typical Mistake : dream with someone.

- X I dreamed with you last night.
- ✓ I dreamed about/of you last night.

dream sth away (phrasal verb)

to spend your time thinking pleasant thoughts but not really achieving anything.

- She would just sit in her room dreaming away the hours.
- She just dreams her life away sitting at home.

dream up phrasal verb

to invent something new by using a lot of imagination:

- She tries a lot of new recipes that she dreams up herself.
- I dreamed up a plan to solve both problems at once
- Who dreams up these ridiculous ideas?

dream on phrasal verb

used for telling someone that something is unlikely to happen.

- You think I'm going to help you move house? Dream on!
- "I think my band will be famous one day." "Dream on."

dreamed or dreamt?

"Dreamed" and "dreamt" are both acceptable past tense forms of "dream". However, "dreamed" is the most common spelling.