

# MUSE AMUSE BEMUSE

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## MUSE verb (formal)

to think about something carefully and for a long time.



**muse on/about/over:**

- I began to muse about the possibility of starting my own business.
- I sat quietly, musing on the events of the day.

**to think or say (something) in a thoughtful way**

- 'Somewhere', he mused, 'I've heard your name before.'

## AMUSE verb

to do or say something that other people think is funny or entertaining



- Her stories never fail to amuse me.
- Shall I put on a film to amuse the kids?

**It amuses someone to do something**

- I think it amuses him to see people make fools of themselves.

## BEMUSE verb

to make somebody confused and unable to think clearly



- Her answer bemused us all.
- He was bemused by what was happening.
- I cannot blame her, since these matters even bemuse the experts on occasions.