

**¹ soft**

/'sɑ:ft/

*adjective***softer; softest****1** : easy to press, bend, cut, etc. : not hard or firm[\[+\] Example sentences](#)— opposite **HARD****2** : smooth and pleasant to touch[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**3 a** : having a very light color : not strong or bright in color or tone[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**b** *of light* : not bright or harsh[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**4 a** : gentle in manner : not harsh[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**b** : not strong or very forceful[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**c** : having a low, gentle sound[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**5** : having a curved or rounded outline[\[+\] Example sentences](#)**6** *disapproving* : not strict, harsh, or critical enough[\[+\] Example sentences](#)

7 : involving little work or effort : **EASY**

[+] [Example sentences](#)

8 a : not physically strong : not muscular

[+] [Example sentences](#)

b : not brave or tough

[+] [Example sentences](#)

9 : feeling sympathy for other people : sympathetic and kind

[+] [Example sentences](#)

— opposite **HARD**

10 : relating to matters that are not serious or important

[+] [Example sentences](#)

— opposite **HARD**

11 *of an illegal drug* : not as strong or harmful to the health as other drugs

[+] [Example sentences](#)

— opposite **HARD**

12 *of water* : not containing many minerals and able to make bubbles with soap

[+] [Example sentences](#)

— opposite **HARD**

13 : sounding like the “c” in “ace” or the “g” in “gem”

[+] [Example sentences](#)

— opposite **HARD**

soft in the head *informal*

: stupid or crazy

[+] [Example sentences](#)

soft on *informal + old-fashioned*

— **softly** *adverb*

[+] [Example sentences](#)

— **softness** /'sɒftnəs/  *noun* [singular]

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² **soft**

/'sɒft/

adverb

softer; softest

chiefly US

1 : in a soft or gentle way

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2 : in a way that is not strong or forceful

[+] [Example sentences](#)
