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Main Entry: **symp-tom**
Pronunciation: \ˈsɪm(p)-təm\
Function: *noun*

Eymology: Late Latin *symptomata-*, *symptoma*, from Greek *symptōmat-*, *symptōma* happening, attribute, symptom, from *sympiptein* to happen, from *syn-* + *piptein* to fall — more at [FEATHER](#)

Date: 1541

1 a : subjective evidence of [disease](#) or physical disturbance; *broadly* : something that indicates the presence of bodily disorder **b** : an evident reaction by a plant to a pathogen

2 a : something that indicates the existence of something else <[symptom](#)s of an inner turmoil> **b** : a slight indication : [TRACE](#)

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— **symp-tom-less** \-ləs/ *adjective*

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