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adj. **brash·er, brash·est**

1. Presumptuously forward; impudent: "*She couldn't imagine anyone being happy with this loud, brash, opinionated businessman*" (*Anne Bartlett*). See Synonyms at [shameless](#).
2. Hasty or unrestrained without regard for consequences: "*his brash, ill-considered attacks on members of his own party*" (*Susan Dunn*).
3. Arresting, pronounced, or ostentatious: *brash plaids*.
4. Brittle: *brash timbers*.

[Possibly imitative (influenced by [RASH](#)¹) or from *brash*, attack.]

brash **ly** *adv.*

brash **ness** *n.*

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brash ² (brăsh)

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n.

A mass or pile of rubble, refuse, or fragments, as of stone, brush, or ice.

[Perhaps an alteration of French *brèche*, breach in a wall, from Italian *breccia*; see [BRECCIA](#).]

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