

**equivocal**[i'kwivək(ə)] **a**

- двусмысленный, имеющий двойной смысл; неясный, нечёткий  
equivocal answer - уклончивый ответ  
equivocal clause - статья, допускающая двойное (ис)толкование  
equivocal remark - двусмысленное замечание
- 1) сомнительный, вызывающий подозрение  
their sentiments were not equivocal - в их чувствах можно было не сомневаться  
equivocal mode of life - сомнительный образ жизни
- 2) неясный  
equivocal outcome - неясный /неопределённый исход

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**equivocal** *BrE* [i'kwivəkəl] *AmE* [i'kwivəkəl] **adjective** (formal)

- (of words or statements) not having one clear or definite meaning or intention; able to be understood in more than one way

**Syn:** ↑ambiguous

- She gave an equivocal answer, typical of a politician.
- Women were less equivocal than men on the subject of fidelity in marriage.

- (of actions or behaviour) difficult to understand or explain clearly or easily

- The experiments produced equivocal results.

**see also** ↑unequivocalWord Origin:[**equivocal**] mid 16th cent.: from late Latin *aequivocus*, from Latin *aequus* 'equally' + *vocare* 'to call'.**equivocal**

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**equivocal** /i'kwivəkəl/ *BrE* *AmE* **adjective**[**Date:** 1500-1600; **Language:** Late Latin; **Origin:** *aequivocus*, from Latin *aequi-* (EQUI-) + *vox* 'voice']

- if you are equivocal, you are deliberately unclear in the way that you give information or your opinion **SYN ambiguous**:

- His answer was equivocal.
- She was rather equivocal about her work.

- information that is equivocal is difficult to understand or explain because it contains different parts which suggest that different things are true:

- The results of the police enquiry were equivocal.

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