vindictive

[vin'diktiv]a

1. мстительный

2. редк. карательный, карающий

vindictive punishment - возмездие vindictive deities - боги-мстители

3. злопамятный

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vin·dic·tive BrE [vin/diktiv] NAmE [vin'diktiv] Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

adjective trying to harm or upset sb, or showing that you want to, because you think that they have harmed you Syn: [†]spiteful

· He accused her of being vindictive

a vindictive comment

Derived Words *tvindictively tvindictiveness*

Word Origin:

[vindictive vindictively vindictiveness] early 17th cent.: from Latin vindicta 'vengeance' + 1-ive.

Example Bank:

- She liked to believe that she wasn't vindictive by nature.
- · She's nothing but a jealous, vindictive, old woman.

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vin dic tive /vɪnˈdɪktɪv BrE AmE adjective

[Date: 1600-1700, Language: Latin; Origin: vindicta 'revenge', from vindicare a [†]vindicate

unreasonably cruel and unfair towards someone who has harmed you:

- a bitter and vindictive old man
- -vindictively adverb

-vindictiveness noun [uncountable]

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