

**deride**

[di'raɪd] *v*  
 высмеивать, осмеивать; издеваться (*над чем-л., кем-л.*)

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**de-ride** [deride derides derided deriding] *BrE* [dɪ'raɪd] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [dɪ'raɪd] <sup>m</sup>

**verb often passive ~ sb/sth (as sth) | + speech (formal)**  
 to treat sb/sth as ridiculous and not worth considering seriously

**Syn:** ↑mock

- His views were derided as old-fashioned.
- The play was derided by the critics.

**Verb forms:**

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	deride
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'raɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'raɪd/
he / she / it	derides
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'raɪdɪz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'raɪdɪz/
past simple, past participle	derided
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'raɪdɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'raɪdɪd/
-ing form	deriding
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'raɪdɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'raɪdɪŋ/

**Word Origin:**

mid 16th cent.: from Latin *deridere* 'scoff at'.

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**de-ride** /dɪ'raɪd/ *BrE* <sup>m</sup> *AmE* <sup>m</sup> **verb [transitive] formal**

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: *deridere*, from *ridere* 'to laugh']

to make remarks or jokes that show you think someone or something is silly or useless **SYN** mock ⇔ **derisive**:

<sup>m</sup> You shouldn't deride their efforts.

**deride somebody as something**

<sup>m</sup> The party was derided as totally lacking in ideas.

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**THESAURUS**

- **mock formal** to laugh at and say unkind things about a person, institution, belief etc, to show that you do not have a high opinion of them. **Mock** is a formal word - in everyday English people usually say **make fun of**: The press mocked his attempts to appeal to young voters. | She was mocked by other pupils in her class. | You shouldn't mock the afflicted! (=you should not make fun of people who cannot help having problems - used especially *↑ironically*, when really you think it is funny too)
- **make fun of somebody/something** to make someone or something seem stupid by making unkind jokes about them: Peter didn't seem to realize that they were making fun of him. | It used to be fashionable to make fun of the European Parliament.
- **laugh at somebody/something** to make unkind or funny remarks about someone or something, because they seem stupid or strange: I don't want the other kids to laugh at me. | People would laugh at the idea nowadays.
- **poke fun at somebody/something** to make someone or something seem silly by making jokes about them, especially in a way that is funny but not really cruel: a TV series that regularly poked fun at the government | He's in no position to poke fun at other people's use of English!
- **ridicule formal** to make unkind remarks that make someone or something seem stupid: Catesby ridiculed his suggestion. | His ideas were widely ridiculed at the time. | Scientists ridiculed him for doubting the existence of the greenhouse effect.
- **deride formal** to make remarks that show you think that something is stupid or useless - often used when you think that the people who do this are wrong: Some forms of alternative medicine – much derided by doctors – have been shown to help patients. | the system that Marxists previously derided as 'bourgeois democracy'

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