piecemeal

1. [ˈpiːsmiːl] *a*

  1. сделанный по частям

    piecemeal action - несогласованные /разрозненные/ действия

    piecemeal information - отрывочные данные

    piecemeal commitment - *воен.* введение в бой по частям

    to do smth. in a piecemeal manner - делать что-л. по частям /постепенно/

  2. частичный, постепенный

    piecemeal reforms - постепенные /частичные/ реформы

2. [ˈpiːsmiːl] *adv*

  1. по частям, раздробленно; постепенно (*тж.* by piecemeal)

    the work will be done piecemeal - работа будет сделана по частям

    to learn smth. piecemeal - изучать что-л. урывками /нерегулярно/

  2. на куски, на части

    to break smth. piecemeal - разбить что-л. вдребезги

    to tear smth. piecemeal - разорвать на мелкие кусочки

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▪ **I.** **piece·meal** *BrE* [ˈpiːsmiːl] *NAmE* [ˈpiːsmiːl] adjective usually before noun

(often disapproving)

 done or happening gradually at different times and often in different ways, rather than carefully planned at the beginning

  • a piecemeal approach to dealing with the problem

  • piecemeal changes

  • Alterations have been carried out on a piecemeal basis.

    Word Origin:

    [**piecemeal**] Middle English: from the noun ↑piece + -meal from Old English mæ□lum, in the sense 'measure, quantity taken at one time'.

▪ **II.** **piece·meal** adverb

  • The reforms were implemented piecemeal.

  • The companies were broken up and sold off piecemeal over several years.

    Main entry: ↑piecemeal_{derived}

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piece□meal /ˈpiːsmiːl/ *BrE* ˮ *AmE* ˮ *adjective*

 [Date: 1200-1300; Origin: piece + -meal *'by one part at a time'* (11-19 centuries) (from Old English mælum)]

 a process that is piecemeal happens slowly and in stages that are not regular or planned properly:

  The buildings have been adapted in a piecemeal fashion.

  a piecemeal approach to the problem

 —piecemeal *adverb*:

  The new fire regulations have been introduced piecemeal.

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