

# toughen

[ˈtʌf(ə)n] *v*

1. 1) делать жёстким
- 2) делаться жёстким *и пр.* [см. tough II]
2. 1) напрягать  
to toughen one's muscles - напрягать мышцы
- 2) напрягаться  
his muscles toughened - его мышцы напряглись
3. ужесточать  
to toughen one's position on the issue - ужесточить свою позицию по (этому) вопросу
4. закалять, давать закалку  
toughened by a lifetime of battling with the elements - закалённый в постоянной борьбе со стихиями

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**tough-en** [toughen toughens toughened toughening] *BrE* [ˈtʌfn̩] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE*

[ˈtʌfn̩] <sup>u</sup> *verb*

1. **transitive, intransitive** ~ **(sth) (up)** to become or make sth stronger, so that it is not easily cut, broken, etc
  - toughened glass
2. **transitive** ~ **sth (up)** to make sth such as laws or rules stricter
  - The government is considering toughening up the law on censorship.
3. **transitive** ~ **sb (up)** to make sb stronger and more able to deal with difficult situations
  - His parents sent him away to school to toughen him up.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	toughen
	BrE / ˈtʌfn̩/
	NAmE / ˈtʌfn̩/
he / she / it	toughens
	BrE / ˈtʌfn̩z/
	NAmE / ˈtʌfn̩z/
past simple, past participle	toughened
	BrE / ˈtʌfnd̩/
	NAmE / ˈtʌfnd̩/
-ing form	toughening
	BrE / ˈtʌfn̩ɪŋ/
	NAmE / ˈtʌfn̩ɪŋ/

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**tough-en** /ˈtʌfən/ *BrE* <sup>u</sup> *AmE* <sup>u</sup> (also **toughen up**) *verb* [intransitive and transitive]

[Word Family: **adverb**: ↑toughly, ↑tough; **verb**: ↑toughen; **noun**: ↑toughness; **adjective**: ↑tough]

to become tougher, or to make someone or something tougher:

- toughened glass
- Three years in the army toughened him up.

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