

**repel**

[rɪˈpeɪ] *v*

1. **отгонять, отбрасывать, отталкивать, отражать, отбивать**  
 to repel an attack - отразить/отбить/ атаку  
 to repel an enemy - отбить противника  
 to repel temptation - победить искушение  
 this stuff repels mosquitoes - это средство отгоняет/отпугивает/ москитов
2. **1) отвергать, отклонять**  
 to repel an offer - отклонить/отвергнуть/ предложение  
 to repel an accusation - отвергнуть обвинение  
**2) отказать**  
 to repel a suitor - отказать жениху
3. **вызывать отвращение, неприязнь**  
 his manners repel me - его манеры вызывают у меня неприязнь  
 his slatternly appearance repel me - мне отвратительного неопрятный вид
4. **спец. отталкивать**  
 this material repels water - это водоотталкивающий материал  
 water repels oil - вода не смешивается с маслом
5. **амер. сл. победить (в состязаниях)**

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**repel** [repel repels repelled repelling] *BrE* [rɪˈpeɪ] *NAme* [rɪˈpeɪ] *verb* (-ll-)

1. **transitive ~ sb/sth (formal)** to successfully fight sb who is attacking you, your country, etc. and drive them away
  - to **repel an attack/invasion/invader**
  - Troops repelled an attempt to infiltrate the south of the island.
  - (figurative) The reptile's prickly skin repels nearly all of its predators.
2. **transitive ~ sth** to drive, push or keep sth away
  - a cream that repels insects
  - The fabric has been treated to repel water.
3. **transitive ~ sb** (not used in the progressive tenses) to make sb feel horror or disgust  
**Syn:** ↑disgust, **Syn:** ↑repulse  
 • I was repelled by the smell.
4. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) (technical)** if one thing repels another, or if two things repel each other, an electrical or ↑magnetic force pushes them apart  
 • Like poles repel each other.

**Opp:** ↑attract

**see also** ↑repulsion, ↑repulsive

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	repel
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈpeɪ/
	<i>NAme</i> /rɪˈpeɪ/
he / she / it	repels
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈpeɪz/
	<i>NAme</i> /rɪˈpeɪz/
past simple, past participle	repelled
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈpeɪd/
	<i>NAme</i> /rɪˈpeɪd/
-ing form	repelling
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈpeɪɪŋ/
	<i>NAme</i> /rɪˈpeɪɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **repellere**, from **re-** 'back' + **pellere** 'to drive'.

Example Bank:

- Her heartlessness repelled him.
- I was repelled by the smell of drink on his breath.
- She was repelled by his harsh business ethic.
- Troops repelled an attempt to invade the south island.

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**re** [peɪ] /rɪˈpeɪ/ *BrE* *AmE* *verb* (past tense and past participle **repelled**, present participle **repelling**)

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: repellere, from pellere 'to drive']

1. **[transitive]** if something repels you, it is so unpleasant that you do not want to be near it, or it makes you feel ill ⇒ **repulsive**:  
 The smell repelled him.
2. **[transitive]** to make someone who is attacking you go away, by fighting them:  
 The army was ready to repel an attack.
3. **[transitive]** to keep something or someone away from you:

a lotion that repels mosquitoes

4. [intransitive and transitive] *technical* if two things repel each other, they push each other away with an electrical force **OPP attract**:  
Two positive charges repel each other.

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