

improvise

[ˈɪmprəvaɪz] *v*

1. импровизировать
to improvise on the organ - импровизировать на органе
2. наскоро, без подготовки сделать или устроить что-л
to improvise a tent out of blankets - смастерить палатку из одеял

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im-pro-vice [improvise improvises improvised improvising] *BrE* [ˈɪmprəvaɪz] *v*

NAmE [ˈɪmprəvaɪz] *v*

1. **intransitive, transitive** to make or do sth using whatever is available, usually because you do not have what you really need
 - There isn't much equipment. We're going to have to improvise.
 - ~ **sth** We improvised some shelves out of planks of wood and bricks.
2. **intransitive, transitive** to invent music, the words in a play, a statement, etc. while you are playing or speaking, instead of planning it in advance
 - 'It'll be ready some time next week, I expect,' she said, improvising.
 - ~ **on sth** He improvised on the melody.
 - ~ **sth** an improvised speech

Derived Word ↑ **improvisation**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	improvise
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪz/
he / she / it	improvises
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪzɪz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪzɪz/
past simple, past participle	improvised
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪzd/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪzd/
-ing form	improvising
	<i>BrE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪzɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˈɪmprəvaɪzɪŋ/

Word Origin:

early 19th cent. (earlier (late 18th cent.) as improvisation): from French **improviser** or its source, Italian **improvvisare** from **improvviso** 'extempore', from Latin **improvisus** 'unforeseen', based on **provisus**, past participle of **providere** 'make preparation for'.

Example Bank:

- We hastily improvised a screen out of an old blanket.
- You can quickly improvise a shield to protect your arm.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

im-pro-vice /ˈɪmprəvaɪz/ *BrE* *AmE* *v* [intransitive and transitive]

[Date: 1800-1900; Language: French; Origin: improviser, from Italian, from improvviso 'sudden']

1. to do something without any preparation, because you are forced to do this by unexpected events:
 - I forgot to bring my notes, so I had to improvise.
2. to make something by using whatever you can find because you do not have the equipment or materials that you need:
 - There were no nappies, so we had to improvise with what we could find.
 - Annie improvised a sandpit for the children.
3. to invent music, words, a statement etc from your imagination, rather than planning or preparing it first:
 - I just started playing, and the other guys started improvising around me.
 - an improvised sketch

—**improvisation** /,ɪmprəvaɪˈzeɪʃən \$ ɪmˌprɑːvə- *noun* [uncountable and countable]

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