

acquit

[ə'kwɪt] *v*

- 1) оправдывать, выносить оправдательный приговор
to acquit a prisoner - оправдать подсудимого
he was acquitted by the jury - присяжные его оправдали /вынесли ему оправдательный приговор/
- 2) (of, *редк.* on) оправдывать в чём-л.
he was acquitted of murder - его признали невиновным в убийстве
he was acquitted on the charge - это обвинение было с него снято
2. *часто refl* (of, from) освобождать (*от обязательства, долга, обещания и т. п.*); снимать (*ответственность и т. п.*)
to acquit oneself of a promise - выполнить обещание
he acquitted himself of suspicion - он снял с себя /отвёл от себя/ подозрение
to acquit oneself of one's duties well [ill] - хорошо [плохо] справляться со своими обязанностями; хорошо [плохо] выполнять свой долг
3. платить (*долг*); расплачиваться; расквитаться
to acquit evil for evil - платить злом за зло
4. *refl* держаться, вести себя
to acquit oneself well [ill] - хорошо [плохо] вести себя /держаться/
to acquit oneself like a man - держать себя /вести себя/ как (настоящий) мужчина
he acquitted himself well in battle - он хорошо проявил себя в бою
recruits acquitted themselves like veterans - новобранцы не отставали от опытных бойцов /дрались не хуже ветеранов/

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

ac·quit [acquit acquits acquitted acquitting] *BrE* [ə'kwɪt] ^m *NAmE* [ə'kwɪt] ^m

verb (-tt-)

1. ~ **sb (of sth)** to decide and state officially in court that sb is not guilty of a crime
 - The jury acquitted him of murder.
 - Both defendants were acquitted.
 - She was acquitted on all charges.
 - He was acquitted on the grounds of insufficient evidence.

Opp: ↑convict

2. ~ yourself well, badly, etc. (*formal*) to perform or behave well, badly, etc

- He acquitted himself brilliantly in the exams.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	acquit
	<i>BrE</i> /ə'kwɪt/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ə'kwɪt/
he / she / it	acquits
	<i>BrE</i> /ə'kwɪts/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ə'kwɪts/
past simple, past participle	acquitted
	<i>BrE</i> /ə'kwɪtɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ə'kwɪtɪd/
-ing form	acquitting
	<i>BrE</i> /ə'kwɪtɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ə'kwɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English (originally in the sense 'pay a debt, discharge a liability'): from Old French **acquiter**, from medieval Latin **acquitare** 'pay a debt', from **ad-** 'to' + **quitare** 'set free'.

Thesaurus:

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- The jury acquitted him of murder.

clear • |*formal* **exonerate** • • **absolve** • • **vindicate** •

Opp: convict

acquit/clear/exonerate/absolve sb **of** sth

a **defendant** is acquitted/cleared/exonerated

Acquit or clear? **Acquit** is more formal than **clear**. **Clear** is used for sb who succeeds in having a conviction overturned (= cancelled)

- Throughout his years in prison, he fought to clear his name.

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ac·quit /ə'kwɪt/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *verb* (past tense and past participle **acquitted**, present participle **acquitting**)

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: acquiter, from quite 'free of']

1. [*transitive usually passive*] to give a decision in a court of law that someone is not guilty of a crime:

All the defendants were acquitted.

acquit somebody of something

The judge directed the jury to acquit Phillips of the murder.

2. **acquit yourself well/honourably** to do something well, especially something difficult that you do for the first time in front of other people

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