

1. [geɪn] *n*

1. 1) **часто pl** доходы; заработок; барыши; выручка; прибыль

in the hope of gain - в надежде на барыши

ill-gotten gains - деньги, добытые нечестным путём

2) **нажива; корысть**

the love of gain - корыстолюбие

2. 1) **выигрыш**

unexpected gain - неожиданный выигрыш

2) **pl** достижения, завоевания

3) **pl** победа (*на выборах*)

this party has made spectacular gains in local elections - эта партия одержала блестящую победу на выборах в местные органы власти

3. **увеличение, рост, прирост**

a gain in weight - прибавление в весе

a gain in health - улучшение здоровья

this new discovery is a gain to human knowledge - это новое открытие расширяет круг человеческих знаний

4. **воен.** успех

5. **геол.** привнос (*при выветривании*)

6. **физ.** усиление

◇ their loss is our gain - их просчёты нам на пользу; ≅ кто-то теряет, кто-то находит

light gains make heavy purses - ≅ копейка рубль бережёт

ill-gotten gains seldom prosper - **посл.** ≅ чужое добро впрок нейдёт

2. [geɪn] *v*

1. 1) **получать; приобретать**

to gain experience (as one grows older) - приобретать опыт /набираться опыта/ (с годами)

to gain strength [health] (after illness) - набираться сил [здоровья] (после болезни)

to gain colour - порозоветь

to gain influence - становиться влиятельным

to gain recognition - добиться признания

they were unable to gain ascendancy - им не удалось взять верх

to gain the character of ... - приобрести репутацию ..., прослыть ...

to gain perspective - а) **жиз.** приобретать перспективу, становиться объёмным; б) проясняться, выясняться

only then did things gain any perspective - только тогда всё в какой-то мере прояснилось

2) **зарабатывать**

to gain a living /a livelihood/ - зарабатывать средства к существованию /на жизнь/

to gain one's bread - зарабатывать на кусок хлеба

3) **добывать**

to gain information - добывать сведения

2. **извлекать пользу, выгоду**

he gained a lot of money by the transaction - он заработал кучу денег на этой сделке

what will you gain by that, what do you have/stand/ to gain by that? - чего вы этим добьётесь?, какая вам от этого польза?, что вы от этого выиграете?

you will gain by reading these books - тебе очень полезно прочитать эти книги

3. 1) **выиграть**

to gain a battle - выиграть битву /сражение/

to gain a prize - выиграть приз

to gain a suit at law - выиграть дело в суде

he gains a good deal on being known /on acquaintance/ - чем лучше его узнаёшь, тем он больше нравится

2) **добиться, завоевать**

to gain a victory - одержать победу

to gain a majority of 50 votes - добиться перевеса /большинства/ в 50 голосов

to gain one's end /object/ - достигнуть /добиться/ своей цели, добиться своего

to gain one's point - а) = to gain one's end; б) отстоять свои позиции /свою точку зрения/

to gain a point - а) выиграть очко; б) получить преимущество

to gain smb.'s sympathy - приобрести/снискать/ чьё-л. расположение

to gain smb.'s confidence - завоевать чьё-л. доверие

his sincerity gained the confidence of everyone - своей искренностью он заслужил всеобщее доверие

to gain smb.'s ear, to gain the ear of smb. - быть благосклонно выслушанным кем-л.

to gain a hearing - а) добиться аудиенции; б) заставить выслушать себя

to gain smb.'s heart - покорить чьё-л. сердце, добиться чьей-л. любви

to gain the lead - **спорт.** быть на первом месте; вырваться вперёд, стать лидером, лидировать

to gain a half-wheel lead - обогнать на полколеса (*велоспорт*)

to gain a one lap lead - обогнать на круг (*лёгкая атлетика*)

3) **захватывать, завоёвывать**

to gain ground - **воен.** захватывать местность; продвигаться вперёд [**см. тж.** ◇]

to gain land from the sea - отвоёвывать сушу у моря

to gain possession of smth. - овладевать чем-л.

to gain possession of the ball *спорт.* овладеть мячом

4. достигать, добираться

to gain one's destination - а) добраться до нужного места; б) достичь своей цели

to gain the top of a mountain - взобраться на вершину горы

to gain the shore - добраться /доплыть/ до берега

to gain the top floor - подняться на верхний этаж

to gain the sea /the offing/ - *мор.* выйти в открытое море

to gain contact - *воен.* войти в соприкосновение

5. 1) увеличивать, набирать (*скорость и т. п.*)

to gain altitude - *ав.* набирать высоту

to gain speed - набирать скорость

my watch gains five minutes a day - мои часы убегают на пять минут в сутки

to gain weight = to gain in weight [*см.* 5, 2)]

2) увеличиваться, нарастать; прибавлять

my watch neither gains nor loses - мои часы идут точно

to gain in weight - прибавлять в весе, набирать вес, полнеть

the days were gaining in warmth - дни становились теплее

to gain in authority - приобретать всё большую власть /-ее влияние/

to gain in renown - завоёвывать известность

the fire is gaining - пожар разгорается

6. (on)

1) нагонять

to gain on a competitor [on the other runners in a race] - нагонять соперника [других бегунов, участвующих в соревнованиях]

our race horse was gaining on the favourite - наш скакун настигал фаворита

to gain on a ship - нагонять судно, приближаться к судну

2) двигаться быстрее, чем ...

to gain on one's pursuers - уходить от своих преследователей

7. (on)

1) постепенно вторгаться, захватывать часть суши (*о море, реке*)

2) постепенно добиваться расположения; всё больше нравиться; захватывать

music that gains on the listeners - музыка, которая постепенно захватывает слушателей /проникает слушателям в душу /

he is gaining on me - он мне всё больше нравится

bad habits gain on people - дурным привычкам легко поддаться

◇ to gain time - выиграть /оттянуть/ время

to gain a foothold /a footing/ - укрепиться, утвердиться (*на небольшом пространстве*); стать твёрдой ногой; завоевать положение

to gain ground - а) преуспевать, делать успехи; б) распространяться [*см. тж.* 3, 3)]

his ideas are gaining ground - его идеи получают всё большее распространение

to gain the upper hand - одержать победу, взять верх, одолеть

to gain the day - выиграть сражение, одержать победу

to gain the wind - *мор.* выиграть ветер

II

1. [geɪn] *n*

1. *стр.* вырез, гнездо (*в дереве*)

2. *горн.*

1) вруб, зарубка

2) квершлаг, просек

2. [geɪn] *v стр.*

делать гнездо или паз

gain

gain [gain gains gained gaining] *verb noun BrE* [geɪn] * *NAmE* [geɪn] *

verb

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OBTAİN/WIN

1. *transitive* to obtain or win sth, especially sth that you need or want

- ~ **sth** to **gain entrance/entry/access** to sth
- The country gained its independence ten years ago.
- The party gained over 50% of the vote.
- I gained an insight into the work of a journalist.
- He has gained a reputation for unpredictable behaviour
- ~ **sb sth** Her unusual talent gained her worldwide recognition.

2. *transitive, intransitive* to obtain an advantage or benefit from sth or from doing sth

- ~ **sth (by/from sth)** There is **nothing to be gained** from delaying the decision.
- ~ **(by/from sth)** Who **stands to gain from** this decision?

GET MORE

3. *transitive* ~ **sth** to gradually get more of sth

- to **gain confidence/strength/experience**

- I've **gained weight** recently.

Opp: ↑lose

OF WATCH/CLOCK

4. transitive, intransitive ~ (sth) to go too fast

- My watch gains two minutes every 24 hours.

Opp: ↑lose

OF CURRENCIES/SHARES

5. transitive, intransitive to increase in value

- ~ **sth** The shares gained 14p to 262p.
- ~ **against sth** The euro gained against the dollar again today.

REACH PLACE

6. transitive ~ **sth** (formal) to reach a place, usually after a lot of effort

- At last she gained the shelter of the forest.

more at nothing ventured, nothing gained **at** ↑venture _{v.}

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	gain
	BrE /geɪn/
	NAme /geɪn/
he / she / it	gains
	BrE /geɪnz/
	NAme /geɪnz/
past simple, past participle	gained
	BrE /geɪnd/
	NAme /geɪnd/
-ing form	gaining
	BrE /geɪnɪŋ/
	NAme /geɪnɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late 15th cent. (as a noun, originally in the sense 'booty'): from Old French **gaigne** (noun), **gaignier** (verb), of Germanic origin.

Thesaurus:

gain verb

1. T (especially written)

- The party gained over 50% of the vote.

win • • **earn** • • **land** • |especially spoken **get** • |especially written **obtain** • |formal **secure** • • **procure** • |written, especially **journalism net** •

Opp: lose

gain/win/earn/get/obtain/secure/procure sth **by** (doing) sth

gain/win/earn/get/obtain/secure/procure sth **for** sb

gain/win/earn/get/obtain/secure **approval**

gain/win/earn/get **respect/admiration**

2. T, I

- Who stands to gain from this decision?

benefit • |formal **profit** • |disapproving **cash in** •

Opp: lose

gain/benefit/profit **from** sth

the **company/industry/farmer** gains/benefits/profits/cashes in

the **customer/consumer/individual** gains/benefits

stand to gain/benefit/profit

Gain or benefit? **Gain** is used more often to talk about financial advantages. **Benefit** cannot be used with an object:

- There is nothing to be gained from delaying.

✗ There is nothing to be benefited from delaying.

3. T

- I've gained weight recently.

increase in sth • • **put sth on** •

Opp: lose

gain/increase in/put on **weight**

gain/increase in **strength**

Example Bank:

- Consumers have certainly gained from the increased competition in the telecommunications industry.
- His ideas gradually gained acceptance.
- Husbands and wives of British nationals do not automatically gain citizenship.
- I don't think there's anything to be gained from this course of action.
- Protesters tried to gain access to the palace.

- The company stands to gain a lot from this government plan.
- The industry will gain enormously from the new proposals.
- There is nothing to be gained by forcing people to comply.
- We all gained a lot from the experience.
- What do you hope to gain by this action?
- Why not give it a go? You have nothing to lose and everything to gain.
- At last he gained the shelter of the forest.
- Heavy fighting began as they gained the river.
- She has gained confidence since the World Championships.
- The party gained over 50% of the vote.
- There is nothing to be gained from delaying the decision.
- We managed to gain entry through a back window.
- Who stands to benefit/gain from these changes?

Idioms: ↑gain ground ▪ ↑gain time

Derived ↑gain in something ▪ ↑gain on somebody

noun

INCREASE

1. countable, uncountable an increase in the amount of sth, especially in wealth or weight

- a £3 000 gain from our investment
- Regular exercise helps prevent weight gain.
- The party had a net gain of nine seats on the local council.

ADVANTAGE

2. countable an advantage or improvement

- efficiency gains
- These policies have resulted in great gains in public health.
- Our loss is their gain.

Opp: ↑loss

PROFIT

3. uncountable (often disapproving) financial profit

- He only seems to be interested in personal gain.
- It's amazing what some people will do **for gain** .
- They sold the company purely for short-term gain.

see no pain, no gain **at** ↑pain _n.

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gain noun C, U

- Exercise is the best way to prevent weight gain.

increase • • **rise** • • **growth** •

Opp: loss

a gain/an increase/a rise/growth **in** sth

a gain/an increase/a rise/growth **of** 20%

lead to/mean/report/show a gain/an increase/a rise/growth

Example Bank:

- £3.9 million gains from the sale of stock
- August showed a gain of 144 000 jobs.
- Better workplace design can bring real gains in productivity.
- He is already reaping political gains.
- It's amazing what some people will do for gain.
- Labour made an overall gain of 39 seats.
- Last year there was only a modest gain in earnings.
- She tucked her ill-gotten gains into her purse and left.
- She was most upset by her recent weight gain.
- The costs far outweigh any efficiency gains.
- The party has an uphill battle to offset the gains made by other parties.
- The party has made solid gains in all areas of the country.
- There is still scope for efficiency gains.
- There needs to be joint political action to consolidate the gains of the elections.
- There will be no financial gain for mothers from this new system .
- They were found to have used the investments for their private gain.
- This change in the tax system will mean big gains for some companies.
- Volunteers give their time without seeking any monetary gain.

- War and poverty have reversed previous gains in children's health.
- the far right made huge electoral gains
- using the investments for their private gain
- He spent his ill-gotten gains on fast cars and women
- Regular exercise is the best way of preventing weight gain.
- She only seems to be interested in personal gain.

gain

I. **gain**¹ **S3 W2** /geɪn/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *verb*

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: gagner, from Old French gaignier 'to prepare the ground for growing crops, earn, gain']

1. **GET SOMETHING** [*transitive*] to obtain or achieve something you want or need

gain control/power

- Radical left-wing parties gained control of local authorities.
- After gaining independence in 1957, it was renamed 'Ghana'.

gain a degree/qualification etc

- He gained a doctorate in Chemical Engineering.

REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually say **get** rather than **gain**:

- She got a degree in English.

2. **GET GRADUALLY** [*intransitive and transitive*] to gradually get more and more of a quality, feeling etc, especially a useful or valuable one:

- She has gained a reputation as a good communicator.
- Many of his ideas have gained popular support.
- an opportunity to gain experience in a work environment
- The youngsters gradually gain confidence in their abilities.

gain in

- The sport has gained in popularity in recent years.

3. **ADVANTAGE** [*intransitive and transitive*] to get an advantage from a situation, opportunity, or event

gain (something) from (doing) something

- There is much to be gained from seeking expert advice early.
- an attempt to gain a competitive advantage over their rivals
- Who really stands to gain (=is likely to get an advantage) from these tax cuts?
- There's nothing to be gained (=it will not help you) by losing your temper.

4. **INCREASE** [*transitive*] to increase in weight, speed, height, or value:

- Carrie's gained a lot of weight recently.
- The dollar has gained 8% against the yen.

5. **gain access/entry/admittance etc (to something)** to manage to enter a place, building, or organization:

- New ramps will help the disabled gain better access.
- methods used by burglars to gain entry to houses

6. **gain an understanding/insight/impression etc** to learn or find out about something

gain an understanding/insight/impression etc of

- We are hoping to gain a better understanding of the underlying process.
- This enabled me to gain an overall impression of the school.

7. **gain ground** to make steady progress and become more popular, more successful etc:

- The anti-smoking lobby has steadily gained ground in the last decade.

8. **gain time** to deliberately do something to give yourself more time to think **OPP lose time**

9. **CLOCK** [*intransitive and transitive*] if a clock or watch gains, or if it gains time, it goes too fast **OPP lose**

10. **ARRIVE** [*transitive*] *literary* to reach a place after a lot of effort or difficulty:

- The swimmer finally gained the riverbank.

⇒ **nothing ventured, nothing gained** at ↑*venture*²(3)

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1 & 2)

■ nouns

- **gain control** The government of mainland China gained control of the island in 1683.
- **gain power** Many women wanted to gain power in a male-dominated world.
- **gain independence** Jamaica has had this flag since 1962, when it gained independence from Britain.
- **gain a reputation** He had gained a reputation as a crook.
- **gain notoriety** (=become famous, especially for doing something bad) He gained notoriety as the author of a controversial novel.
- **gain support** The proposal failed to gain support.
- **gain popularity** Governments gain popularity by cutting taxes.
- **gain acceptance** The theory has gradually gained acceptance among scientists.
- **gain credibility** (=start to be believed or trusted, or start to be thought of as good) Screen actors feel that they gain credibility when they perform on stage.
- **gain experience** In her first job, she gained experience as a programme manager.
- **gain knowledge** Knowledge gained from the research will be used directly to help patients.
- **gain confidence** The managers were gaining confidence in their ability to take calculated risks.

- **gain strength** He is beginning to gain strength again after his illness.
- **gain an understanding** (=get knowledge based on learning and experience) Drama is one of the key ways in which children can gain an understanding of themselves and of others.
- **gain an insight (into something)** (=get a chance to understand more about something) You can gain an insight into horses' feelings by the physical signs they give out.
- **gain momentum** (=keep increasing) In the 1850s and 1860s, the British colonisation of India gained momentum.

■ adverbs

- **quickly/rapidly gain something** Adam quickly gained the respect of the soldiers under his command.
- **steadily gain something** The king was steadily gaining more support.
- **gradually gain something** He is gradually gaining confidence in his own abilities.

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THESAURUS

- **get** [not in passive] to get something by finding it, asking for it, or paying for it: I've been trying to get some information. | She went to the bank to get some money.
- **obtain** *formal* to get something: Maps and guides can be obtained from the tourist office. | The newspaper has obtained a copy of the letter.
- **acquire** *formal* to get something – used about knowledge, skills, or something big or expensive: The course helps older people to acquire computing skills. | He acquired the property in 1985.
- **inherit** to get someone's money or property after they die: Jo inherited a lot of money from her mother.
- **gain** to get something useful or necessary, such as knowledge or experience: I've gained a lot of useful experience. | The research helped us gain an insight into how a child's mind works.
- **earn** to get something because you deserve it: He had earned a reputation as a peacemaker. | She earned a lot of respect from her colleagues.
- **get hold of something** *informal* to get something that is rare or difficult to find: I'm trying to get hold of a ticket for the game.
- **lay your hands on something** *informal* to get something that you want very much or that you have spent a lot of time looking for: I read every book I could lay my hands on.

gain on somebody/something *phrasal verb*

to gradually get closer to a person, car etc that you are chasing:

" Quick – they're gaining on us!

II. gain² W3 BrE AmE noun

1. ADVANTAGE [countable] an advantage or improvement, especially one achieved by planning or effort:

" The party made considerable gains at local elections.

gain in

" substantial gains in efficiency

gain from

" the potential gains from improved marketing

gain to/for

" There are obvious gains for the student.

2. INCREASE [uncountable and countable] an increase in the amount or level of something **OPP loss**

gain in

" a gain in weekly output

gain of

" Retail sales showed a gain of 0.4%.

" The Democratic Party needed a net gain of only 20 votes.

" Eating too many fatty foods could cause weight gain.

3. PROFIT [uncountable] financial profit, especially when this seems to be the only thing someone is interested in **OPP loss**

financial/economic/capital etc gain

" They are seeking to realize the maximum financial gain.

gain of

" a pre-tax gain of \$20 million

for gain

" Such research should not be for personal gain. ⇒ ↑capital gains

4. ill-gotten gains money or advantages obtained dishonestly – used humorously

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THESAURUS

- **increase** *noun* [uncountable and countable] an occasion when the amount or number of something becomes bigger: There has been a significant increase in violent crime over the past year. | price increases
- **growth** *noun* [singular, uncountable] an increase in the number, size, or importance of something. **Growth** is also used when saying that a company or a country's economy becomes more successful: The astonishing growth of the Internet has had a dramatic effect on people's lives. | Japan experienced a period of rapid economic growth. | Many people are concerned about the enormous growth in the world's population.
- **rise** *noun* [countable] an increase in the amount of something, or in the standard or level of something: The latest figures show a sharp rise (=a sudden big rise) in unemployment in the region. | There was a 34 percent rise in the number of armed robberies. | The majority of families experienced a rise in living standards.
- **surge** *noun* [countable usually singular] a sudden increase in something such as profits, demand, or interest: There has been a big surge in demand for organically grown food. | We have seen a tremendous surge of interest in Chinese medicine.
- **gain** *noun* [uncountable and countable] an increase in the amount or level of something - used especially in business or political contexts, or when talking about an increase in someone's weight: sales gains | The December job figures show a net gain of

81,000 jobs. | The party has experienced a gain in popularity. | The amount of weight gain during pregnancy varies.

▪ **hike** *noun* [countable] *informal especially American English* a large or sudden increase in prices or taxes - often used in newspaper reports: Despite a 25% hike in fuel costs, the airline made a profit last year. | tax hikes | wage hikes

gain

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