

relent [rɪˈlent] *v*

- 1) смягчиться, становиться менее суровым
- 2) смиростивиться

at last their mother relented and let the children stay up and watch TV - наконец мать смиростивилась и разрешила детям не ложиться спать и посмотреть телевизор

- 3) становиться менее резким; уменьшаться

the winds relented - ярость ветра пошла на убыль

relent

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re·lent [relent relents relented relenting] *BrE* [rɪˈlent] [Ⓜ] *NAmE* [rɪˈlent] [Ⓜ] *verb*
(formal)

- 1. **intransitive** to finally agree to sth after refusing

Syn: ↑give in

- 'Well, just for a little while then,' she said, finally relenting.

- 2. **intransitive** to become less determined, strong, etc

- After two days the rain relented.

- The police will not relent in their fight against crime.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	relent
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈlent/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪˈlent/
he / she /it	relents
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈlents/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪˈlents/
past simple, past participle	relented
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈlentɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪˈlentɪd/
-ing form	relenting
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪˈlentɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪˈlentɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English (in the sense 'dissolve, melt'): based on Latin **re-** 'back' + **lentare** 'to bend' (from **lentus** 'flexible').

Example Bank:

- The government has relented on this issue.
- The government considered making everybody pay the tax but relented.

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[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: lentare 'to bend']

to change your attitude and become less strict or cruel towards someone **SYN** give in:

At last her father relented and came to visit her.

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relents 91

relented 534

relenting 74

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