

**overshadow**

[,əʊvə'ʃædəʊ] *v*

1. бросать тень, затенять; затемнять  
the tree overshadowed the window - дерево затеняло окно  
clouds that overshadow the sky - облака, скрывающие небо
2. затмевать; оставлять в тени  
the older boy overshadows his brother at school - старший мальчик успевает в школе лучше своего брата
3. омрачать  
to overshadow a festivity - омрачить празднество  
those misfortunes which were soon to overshadow her - неудачи, которые вскоре постигнут её; предстоящие ей беды
4. предохранять, защищать

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**over-shadow** [overshadow overshadows overshadowed overshadowing] *BrE*

[,əʊvə'ʃædəʊ] *NAmE* [,oʊvər'ʃædəʊ] *verb often passive*

1. ~ **sb/sth** to make sb/sth seem less important, or successful  
• He had always been overshadowed by his elder sister.  
• Domestic policy was soon overshadowed by political unrest abroad.
2. ~ **sth** to make an event less enjoyable than it should be  
**Syn:** ↑cloud  
• News of the accident overshadowed the day's events.
3. ~ **sth** to throw a shadow over sth  
• The garden is overshadowed by tall trees.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	overshadow
	BrE / ,əʊvə'ʃædəʊ/
	NAmE / ,oʊvər'ʃædəʊz/
he / she / it	overshadows
	BrE / ,əʊvə'ʃædəʊz/
	NAmE / ,oʊvər'ʃædəʊz/
past simple, past participle	overshadowed
	BrE / ,əʊvə'ʃædəʊd/
	NAmE / ,oʊvər'ʃædəʊd/
-ing form	overshadowing
	BrE / ,əʊvə'ʃædəʊɪŋ/
	NAmE / ,oʊvər'ʃædəʊɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English ofersceadwian (see ↑over, ↑shadow).

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**over|shad|ow** /,əʊvə'ʃædəʊ \$ ,oʊvər'ʃædəʊ *BrE* *AmE* *verb* [transitive]

[**Word Family:** *verb:* ↑shadow, ↑overshadow *adjective:* ↑shadowy, ↑shadow; *noun:* ↑shadow]

1. to make someone or something else seem less important:  
" Her interest in politics began to overshadow her desire to be a poet.  
" The achievement of the men's team was overshadowed by the continuing success of the women's team.
2. to make an occasion or period of time less enjoyable by making people feel sad or worried:  
" The threat of war overshadowed the summer of 1939.
3. if a tall building, mountain etc overshadows a place, it is very close to it and much taller than it:  
" a dark valley overshadowed by towering peaks

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