

**persevere**

[pɜːsiˈviə] **v**  
 упорно, настойчиво добиваться; стойко, упорно продолжать  
 to persevere in one's studies - упорно продолжать свои занятия  
 to persevere in /with/ one's work - упорно продолжать свою работу

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**per-se-vere** [persevere perseveres persevered persevering] **BrE** [ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪə(r)] **AmE** [ˌpɜːrsəˈvɪr]

**verb intransitive** (approving)

- to continue trying to do or achieve sth despite difficulties
- ~ **(in sth/in doing sth)** Despite a number of setbacks, they persevered in their attempts to fly around the world in a balloon.
  - ~ **(with sth/sb)** She persevered with her violin lessons.
  - You have to persevere with difficult students.

**Verb forms:**

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	persevere
	BrE / ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪə(r) /
	NAme / ˌpɜːrsəˈvɪr /
he / she / it	perseveres
	BrE / ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪəz /
	NAme / ˌpɜːrsəˈvɪrz /
past simple, past participle	persevered
	BrE / ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪəd /
	NAme / ˌpɜːrsəˈvɪrd /
-ing form	persevering
	BrE / ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪərɪŋ /
	NAme / ˌpɜːrsəˈvɪrɪŋ /

**Word Origin:**

late Middle English: from Old French **perseverer**, from Latin **perseverare** 'abide by strictly', from **perseverus** 'very strict', from **per-** 'thoroughly' + **severus** 'severe'.

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**per-se-vere** /ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪə/ **BrE** **AmE** **verb** [intransitive]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: persévérer, from Latin perseverare from severus; ⇨ ↑severe]

to continue trying to do something in a very determined way in spite of difficulties – use this to show approval:

It can be tricky at first, but persevere.

**persevere with**

He persevered with his task until he had succeeded in collecting an armful of firewood.

**persevere in (doing) something**

She had persevered in her claim for compensation.

**—persevering** *adjective*

**THESAURUS**

**to continue doing something**

- **continue** to not stop doing something that you are already doing: We need the money to continue our work. | They continued arguing for a long time. | Despite all the warnings, many people continue to smoke. | Sometimes she just couldn't see the point of continuing. | My teacher advised me to continue with my studies.
- **go on** (also **carry on especially British English**) to continue doing something. **Go on** is less formal than **continue**, and is the phrase that people usually use in everyday English: Dan went on talking but she was no longer listening. | He carried on with his day job. | Sheehan has carried on with her campaign.
- **keep (on) doing something [not in progressive]** to continue doing something for a long time – especially so that you feel tired or annoyed: We kept on walking until we got to the top of the hill. | The man kept staring at me.
- **persevere** /ˌpɜːsɪˈvɪə/ **BrE** **AmE** **verb** to continue trying to do something in a very patient and determined way, in spite of difficulties. **Persevere** sounds rather formal: He didn't know any English, but he persevered and became a good student. | Her health was rapidly declining but she persevered with her duties. | Stevenson persevered in his efforts to discover what had really happened. | Children today seem less willing to seek out challenges and persevere in the face of adversity.

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