

[tru:θ] *n*

1. 1) правда

the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth - правда, вся правда и ничего кроме правды

the real /plain, unvarnished, unadulterated, honest/ truth - чистая правда, правда как она есть, правда без всяких прикрас

to get at the truth of the matter - понять, в чём дело; докопаться до правды

that's the truth of it! - вот в чём дело!, вот где правда!

to tell /to speak/ the truth - а) говорить правду; б) по правде говоря

the truth is that ... - дело в том, что ..., по правде говоря ...

2) истина

general truth - общеизвестная истина

fundamental truths - основополагающие истины

the great truths of morals [of science, of philosophy] - великие моральные [научные, философские] истины

to seek the truth - искать истину

to implant the love of truth - привить любовь к истине

there are truths which cannot be verified - существуют истины, которые невозможно проверить

the poems hit hard at a few home truths - эти стихи разоблачали некоторые расхожие /обывательские/ истины

all new [great] truths begin as heresies - все новые [великие] истины поначалу воспринимаются как ересь

3) истинность

religion's claims to truth - притязания религии на истинность

to doubt the truth of a statement - сомневаться в истинности утверждения

there's some truth in what you say - в том, что вы говорите, есть кое-что верное; ваши слова не лишены справедливости

4) факт

the present definition of insanity has little relation to the truths of mental life - существующее определение умопомешательства

плохо согласуется с фактами психической жизни

5) принцип

the basic truths of thermodynamics - основные принципы термодинамики

2. правдивость; искренность

to doubt a person's truth - сомневаться в чьей-л. правдивости

3. точность, соответствие

truth to nature - точность воспроизведения, реализм, жизненная правда

4. *тех.*

1) соосность, точность установки

out of truth - неправильно /неточно/ установленный, сбившийся с точной установки; плохо пригнанный

2) отсутствие биения

3) концентричность

5. *физ.* «истина» (характеристика кварка)6. *рел.* Бог (в христианском вероучении)

◇ in truth - а) действительно, в самом деле, в действительности б) по правде говоря

to say /to speak, to tell/ the truth and shame the devil - говорить всю правду

truth is stranger than fiction - иногда правда диковиннее вымысла

truth lies at the bottom of a well - *посл.* ≅ ищи ветра в поле, а правду на дне морскомtruth will out - *посл.* правда всегда выйдет наружу, правду не утаишь**truth**

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truth [truθ truθs] *BrE* [truθ truθs] *NAmE* [truθ truθs] *noun* (pl. **truths** *BrE* [truθðʒ] ; *NAmE* [truθðʒ])**1. the truth** *singular* the true facts about sth, rather than the things that have been invented or guessed

- Do you think she's **telling the truth** ?
- We are determined to get at (= discover) the truth.
- **The truth (of the matter) is** we can't afford to keep all the staff on.
- I don't think you are telling me **the whole truth** about what happened.
- The awful truth about his disappearance finally dawned on her.
- It's the **gospel truth** ! (= completely true)
- The sad truth is that, at 72, he is past his prime.

2. uncountable the quality or state of being based on fact

- There is no truth in the rumours.
- There is not **a grain of truth** in what she says.
- His version of events does contain an element of truth.

Opp: ↑falsity**3. countable** a fact that is believed by most people to be true

- universal truths
- She was forced to face up to a few unwelcome truths about her family.

compare ↑untruth**see also** ↑half-truth, ↑home truth**more at** bend the truth **at** ↑bend *v.*, economical with the truth **at** ↑economical, the moment of truth **at** ↑moment**Idioms:** ↑if truth be told ▪ ↑in truth ▪ ↑nothing could be further from the truth ▪ ↑tell the truth ▪ ↑truth is stranger than fiction ▪ ↑truth will out

Word Origin:

Old English *trīewth*, *trēowth* 'faithfulness, constancy' (see ↑true, ↑-th).

Example Bank:

- Dare anyone deny the truth of what we have said?
- Finally the moment of truth will be upon you.
- He realized the truth in Adam's words.
- He was reminded of his duty to speak the truth when questioned in court.
- He was too fragile to handle the truth.
- His evidence was a blend of smears, half truths and downright lies.
- His explanation has a ring of truth to it.
- I know you think she's mean, but nothing could be further from the truth.
- I'm sure she's telling the truth.
- If the truth be known, I was afraid to tell anyone.
- It still doesn't make sense to me— I don't think he's told us the whole truth.
- It's a good film but contains little historical truth.
- It's time we told him a few home truths about sharing a house.
- Lawyers distorted the truth about the deal.
- Science, like theology, reveals transcendent truths about a changing world.
- She takes everything she reads in the paper as gospel truth.
- She was determined to discover the truth about her boss.
- She would later find out the truth about her husband.
- So now you know the truth.
- The awful truth suddenly dawned on her.
- The journalist protested that he was only trying to get at the truth.
- The police doubt the truth of his statement.
- The sad truth is he never loved her.
- The simple truth is he's lost his job.
- The truth of the matter is we can't afford to keep all the staff on.
- There is no truth in the rumour.
- There may have been a grain of truth in what he said.
- They claim to be the arbiters of sacred truth.
- They were motivated by the pursuit of the truth.
- To tell you the truth, I'm rather dreading his return.
- Towards the end of the letter the cruel truth emerged.
- We are examining the matter to see where the truth lies.
- We hold these truths to be self-evident...
- We're going to try to get the truth out of this boy.
- What's the truth behind all the gossip?
- You've been hiding the truth from me!
- a man on a journey seeking the truth about God and humanity
- finding out the truth about her husband
- in search of the eternal truths of life
- seekers after divine truth
- the deeper truths that often go unspoken
- the hidden truth behind the events of the last four years
- the plain unvarnished truth
- the revealed truth of God
- the shocking truth about heroin addiction among the young

truth

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truth **S1 W2** /truθ BrE ^u AmE ^u noun

[Word Family: **adverb** ↑truly, ↑truthfully ≠ ↑untruthfully, ↑true; **noun**: ↑truth ≠ ↑untruth, ↑truthfulness; **adjective**: ↑true ≠ ↑untrue, ↑truthful ≠ ↑untruthful]

[Language: Old English; Origin: *treowth* 'faithfulness']

1. TRUE FACTS **the truth** the true facts about something, rather than what is untrue, imagined, or guessed **OPP** lie, falsehood,

untruth:

" How do we know you're telling us the truth?

the truth about

" She hoped to find out the truth about her family.

the truth behind

" We'll never know the truth behind what happened.

2. BEING TRUE [uncountable] the state or quality of being true

truth in

" There was some truth in the accusations.

grain/element of truth (=small amount of truth)

" There wasn't a grain of truth in what he said.

" There was an element of truth (=a small amount of truth) in what he said.

There is no truth in the rumour.

3. **IMPORTANT IDEAS** [countable usually plural] *formal* an important fact or idea that is accepted as being true:

" The experience has taught us some basic truths.

an unhappy/unpleasant/unwelcome truth (=an unpleasant or disappointing fact)

" It is in his interest to hide unhappy truths about his agency's performance.

4. **in truth** in fact **SYN really** :

" Early independence leaders were in truth little better than rebels.

5. **if (the) truth be known/told** used when telling someone the real facts about a situation, or your real opinion:

" If the truth be known, I felt a little left out at school.

6. **to tell (you) the truth** *spoken* used when giving your personal opinion or admitting something:

" To tell the truth, I was frightened to death.

7. **nothing could be further from the truth** used to say that something is definitely not true

8. **the truth will out** *old-fashioned* used to say that even if you try to stop people from knowing something, they will find out in the end

⇒ ↑half-truth, ↑home truth, ⇒ **the moment of truth** at ↑moment(15)

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COLLOCATIONS

■ verbs

- **tell the truth** It's better to tell the truth.
- **speak the truth** He always spoke the truth, whether it was popular or not.
- **know the truth** At last I knew the truth about my father's death.
- **find out/discover/uncover the truth** She was determined to find out the truth.
- **learn the truth** When she learns the truth, she may decide to help us.
- **get at/to the truth** *informal* (=discover the truth) The police will eventually get to the truth of the matter.
- **reveal the truth** She'd promised never to reveal the truth.
- **accept/admit the truth** Our pride kept us from admitting the truth.
- **be/come close to the truth** The book comes a little too close to the truth for their liking.
- **get the truth out of somebody** (=make someone tell you the truth) I'll get the truth out of her, whatever it takes!

■ adjectives/NOUN + truth

- **the whole/full truth** Investors should have been told the whole truth.
- **the simple/plain/naked truth** (=the truth, with nothing added, left out, or hidden) The simple truth is that there isn't enough money to pay for it.
- **the sad/painful truth** (=something that is true but that you regret) She still misses him, and that's the sad truth.
- **the awful/terrible/dreadful etc truth** She could not bring herself to tell them the awful truth.
- **the honest truth** (=used to emphasize that you are telling the truth) We never came here to steal anything, and that's the honest truth.
- **the gospel truth** (=the complete truth) Don't take everything she says as the gospel truth.

■ phrases

- **the truth of the matter** The truth of the matter is that we don't know what really happened.

■ COMMON ERRORS

- ▶ Do not say '*say the truth*'. Say **tell the truth**.

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