# adopt

[əˈdɒpt] *v*

1. 1) усыновлять; удочерять
   to adopt a child - усыновить ребёнка
   2) признавать в качестве кого-л.
   to adopt a person as an heir - признать кого-л. (своим) наследником
2. принимать; усваивать; выбирать
   to adopt another course of action - переменить тактику
   to adopt a patronizing tone - принять покровительственный тон
   to adopt stolen goods - *юр.* укрывать краденое
   to adopt the attitude of an onlooker - занять позицию /встать в позу/ стороннего наблюдателя
3. принимать голосованием, в ходе обсуждения голосовать за
   to adopt a resolution - принять резолюцию /решение/
   to adopt a report - одобрить доклад /отчёт/
4. перенимать
   to adopt smb.'s ideas - перенять чьи-л. идеи
   his methods should be adopted - следует перенять /использовать/ его методы
5. выдвинуть в качестве кандидата на выборах (*от политической партии*)
6. *лингв.* заимствовать (*без изменения формы*)
7. *воен.* принимать на вооружение

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**adopt** [**adopt adopts adopted adopting**] *BrE* [əˈdɒpt]   *NAmE* [əˈdɑːpt]   verb

### CHILD
**1.** intransitive, transitive to take sb else's child into your family and become its legal parent(s)
- a campaign to encourage childless couples to adopt
- **~ sb** to adopt a child
- She was forced to have her baby adopted.

**compare** ↑foster

### METHOD
**2.** transitive **~ sth** to start to use a particular method or to show a particular attitude towards sb/sth
- All three teams adopted different approaches to the problem.

### SUGGESTION
**3.** transitive **~ sth** to formally accept a suggestion or policy by voting
- to adopt a resolution
- The council is expected to adopt the new policy at its next meeting.

### NEW NAME/COUNTRY
**4.** transitive **~ sth** to choose a new name, a country, a custom, etc. and begin to use it as your own
- to **adopt a name /title/language**
- Early Christians in Europe adopted many of the practices of the older, pagan religions.

### WAY OF BEHAVING
**5.** transitive **~ sth** (formal) to use a particular manner, way of speaking, expression, etc
- He adopted an air of indifference.

### CANDIDATE
**6.** transitive **~ sb (as sth)** (BrE, politics) to choose sb as a candidate in an election or as a representative
- She was adopted as parliamentary candidate for Wood Green.

Verb forms:

| present simple | |
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| I / you / we /they | adopt |
| | BrE /əˈdɒpt/ |
| | NAmE /əˈdɑːpt/ |
| he / she /it | adopts |
| | BrE /əˈdɒpts/ |
| | NAmE /əˈdɑːpts/ |
| past simple, past participle | adopted |
| | BrE /əˈdɒptɪd/ |
| | NAmE /əˈdɑːptɪd/ |
| -ing form | adopting |
| | BrE /əˈdɒptɪŋ/ |
| | NAmE /əˈdɑːptɪŋ/ |

Word Origin:
late 15th cent.: via French from Latin adoptare, from ad- **'to'** + optare **'choose'**.

**adopt** verb I, T

• She adopted her sister's child.

**take sb in** • • **bring sb up** • |especially AmE **raise** • |especially BrE **foster** •

adopt/take in/bring up/raise/foster a **child**

adopt/bring up/raise a **daughter/son/family/baby**

Collocations:

**Children**

*Having a baby / child*

**want** a baby/a child/kids

**start** a family

**conceive/be expecting/be going to have** a baby/child

**miss** your period

**become/get/ be/find out that you are** pregnant

**have** a baby/a child/kids/a son/a daughter/twins/a family

**have** a normal/a difficult/an unwanted pregnancy; an easy/a difficult/a home birth

**be in/go into/induce** labour (*especially US*) labor

**have/suffer/cause** a miscarriage

**give** birth to a child/baby/daughter/son/twins

*Parenting*

**bring up/** (*especially NAmE*) **raise** a child/family

**care for/** (*especially BrE*) **look after** a baby/child/kid

**change** (*BrE*) a nappy/(*NAmE*) a diaper/a baby

**feed/breastfeed/bottle-feed** a baby

**be entitled to/go on** maternity/paternity leave

**go back/return to work** after maternity leave

**need/find/get** a babysitter/good quality affordable childcare

**balance/combine work and** childcare/child-rearing/family life

**educate/teach/home-school** a child/kid

**punish/discipline/spoil** a child/kid

**adopt** a baby/child/kid

**offer a baby for/put a baby up for** adoption

(*especially BrE*) **foster** a child/kid

**be placed with/be raised by** foster parents

Example Bank:

• We would like to adopt a child.

• He adopted the dress and manners of an Englishman.

• She adopted an air of indifference.

• The child has now been legally adopted.

• The couple adopted two children.

• The female adopts a more passive role than the male.

• The government adopted a resolution on disarmament.

• The new manager adopted a very autocratic style.

• The party adopted its current name in 1965.

• The policy has not yet been formally adopted.

• We could not agree on the best methods to adopt.

• What position do you adopt on this issue?

• the policies employers adopt towards the labour force

• He smiled and adopted a more casual tone of voice.

• The people adopted him as their patron saint.

• The royal family adopted the name of Windsor early in the last century.

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a‧dopt **S3 W2** /əˈdɒpt $ əˈdɑːpt *BrE �716 AmE �716 verb*

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: adopter, from Latin adoptare, from ad- *'to'* + optare *'to choose'*]

**1**. CHILD [I, T] to take someone else's child into your home and legally become its parent ⇨ **foster**:

Sally was adopted when she was four.

The couple are unable to have children of their own, but hope to adopt.

**2**. **adopt an approach/policy/attitude etc** to start to deal with or think about something in a particular way:

The courts were asked to adopt a more flexible approach to young offenders.

The store recently adopted a drug testing policy for all new employees.

California has adopted a tough stance on the issue.

**3**. STYLE/MANNER [transitive] to use a particular style of speaking, writing, or behaving, especially one that you do not usually use:

Kim adopts a southern accent when speaking to family back home.

**4**. LAW/RULE [transitive] to formally approve a proposal, ↑amendment etc, especially by voting:

Congress finally adopted the law after a two-year debate.

**5**. NAME/COUNTRY ETC [transitive] to choose a new name, country, custom etc, especially to replace a previous one:

- Stevens became a Muslim and adopted the name Yusuf Islam.
- Becoming a member of a society means adopting its values.

**6**. **ELECTION** [transitive] *British English* to officially choose someone to represent a political party in an election

**—adopter** *noun* [countable]

**—adoptee** /ə,dɒpˈtiː$ ə,dɑːpˈ- *noun* [countable]

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  adopter 59

  adopters 186

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