

precocious[prɪ'kəʊʃəs] *a*

- 1) не по летам развитой, рано развившийся
precocious child - не по годам развитой ребёнок
precocious talent - рано развившийся талант
 - 2) преждевременный
precocious maturity - преждевременная зрелость
2. *с.-х.* скороспелый, ранний

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

pre-co-cious *BrE* [prɪ'kəʊʃəs] ^ˈ *NAmE* [prɪ'kɒʃəs] ^ˈ *adjective* (sometimes disapproving)

(of a child) having developed particular abilities and ways of behaving at a much younger age than usual

- a precocious child who started her acting career at the age of 5
- sexually precocious
- From an early age she displayed a precocious talent for music.

Derived Words ↑precociously ▪ ↑precocity

See also: ↑precociousness

Word Origin:

[**precocious** **precociously** **precocity**] mid 17th cent.: from Latin **praecox**, **praecoc-** (from **praecoquere** 'ripen fully', from **prae** 'before' + **coquere** 'to cook') + **-ious**.

Example Bank:

- sexually precocious teenagers

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[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** praecox 'becoming ripe early', from coquere 'to cook, ripen']

a precocious child shows intelligence or skill at a very young age, or behaves in an adult way – sometimes used to show disapproval in British English:

ˈ a precocious child who walked and talked early

—**precociously** *adverb*

—**precociousness** (also **precocity**) /prɪ'kɒsətɪ, prɪ'kɒsɪtɪ \$ -'kɑː-/ *noun* [uncountable]

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