

reform

1. [rɪ'fɔ:m] *n*

- 1. реформа, преобразование
sweeping reforms - коренные преобразования
- 2. исправление, улучшение
the reform of the Calendar - исправление календаря
reform school = reformatory I

2. [rɪ'fɔ:m] *v*

- 1. улучшать, преобразовывать, реформировать
to reform administration - улучшить /реорганизовать/ управление
- 2. 1) исправлять, перевоспитывать
to reform juvenile offenders - перевоспитывать малолетних правонарушителей
- 2) исправляться
with years he grew wiser and reformed - с годами он поумнел и изменился к лучшему
- 3. редк. искоренять (*ошибки*)

reform

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

re·form [reform reforms reformed reforming] *verb, noun* BrE [rɪ'fɔ:m] *NA* [rɪ'fɔ:m]

verb

- 1. **transitive** ~ **sth** to improve a system, an organization, a law, etc. by making changes to it
 - proposals to reform the social security system
 - The law needs to be reformed.
 - a reforming administration
- 2. **intransitive, transitive** to improve your behaviour, to make sb do this
 - He has promised to reform.
 - ~ **sb** She thought she could reform him.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	reform
	BrE /rɪ'fɔ:m/
	NA [rɪ'fɔ:m]
he / she / it	reforms
	BrE /rɪ'fɔ:mz/
	NA [rɪ'fɔ:mz]
past simple, past participle	reformed
-ing form	reform[ing]
	BrE /rɪ'fɔ:mɪŋ/
	NA [rɪ'fɔ:mɪŋ]

Word Origin:

Middle English (as a verb in the senses 'restore (peace)' and 'bring back to the original condition'): from Old French **reformer** or Latin **reformare**, from **re-** 'back' + **formare** 'to form, shape'. The noun dates from the mid 17th cent.

Thesaurus:

reform *verb* T, I

- The president has promised to reform the welfare system .
- overhaul** • **improve** • **fix** • **reorganize** • **reshape** • **revise** • **revamp** • **make sth over** • |especially journalism **shake sth up** •
- reform/overhaul/improve/fix/reorganize/reshape/revise/revamp/shake up a **system**
- reform/overhaul/fix/reorganize/reshape/revamp the **economy**
- reform/overhaul/revise the **law**

Example Bank:

- The education system must be radically reformed.
- the near impossibility of truly reforming the system
- There are proposals to reform the welfare system .
- a reformed character/alcoholic

Derived Word ↑ **reformed**

noun *uncountable, countable*

- change that is made to a social system, an organization, etc. in order to improve or correct it
 - a government committed to reform
 - **economic/electoral/constitutional, etc. reform**
 - the reform of the educational system
 - reforms in education
 - **far-reaching/major/sweeping reforms**

Word Origin:

Middle English (as a verb in the senses 'restore (peace)' and 'bring back to the original condition'): from Old French *reformer* or Latin *reformare*, from *re-* 'back' + *formare* 'to form, shape'. The noun dates from the mid 17th cent.

Example Bank:

- Health care reform is long overdue
- His administration carried out economic reforms.
- His economic reforms failed to improve their lives.
- Publishers continue to push for sweeping reforms.
- The House narrowly passed the education reform bill.
- The Prime Minister promised sweeping reforms of the banking system.
- The conservative coalition could delay further reforms or block them altogether.
- The country desperately needs broad political and constitutional reform.
- The government instituted a tax reform to stimulate demand.
- The practice of global politics requires reform.
- The reforms went through in spite of opposition from teachers.
- There remains reluctance to undertake the structural reforms advocated by Mr Smith.
- They have issued a statement advocating reform of the legal system.
- They wanted a weak president and a strong one-chamber parliament able to push through radical reforms.
- They wanted to push through radical reforms.
- Top on his list was immigration reform.
- We are committed to supporting democracy and reform in the region.
- advocates of health-care reform
- efforts to accelerate the structural reform of the economy
- much-needed reforms
- our debate on intelligence reform
- reforms in housing and education
- tax reforms aimed at encouraging land development
- the battle for corporate reform
- economic/electoral/constitutional reform
- far-reaching/major/sweeping reforms

reform

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

I. **re·form**¹ /rɪ'fɔ:m\$ -ɔ:m\$ BrE^ˈ AmE^ˈ verb

[Word Family: noun: ↑form, ↑formation, ↑transformation, ↑reformer, ↑reform, ↑reformation, ↑reformist, ↑transformer, ↑formlessness; verb: ↑form, ↑reform, ↑transform; adjective: reformed, ↑reformist, ↑formless; adverb: ↑formlessly]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: reformer, from Latin *reformare*, from *formare* 'to form']

1. [transitive] to improve a system, law, organization etc by making a lot of changes to it, so that it operates in a fairer or more effective way:

▪ plans to radically reform the tax system

2. [intransitive and transitive] to change your behaviour and become a better person, or to make someone do this:

▪ Greeley says he's a genuinely reformed character.

▪ a reformed criminal

...

THESAURUS

■ to change something

- **change** to make someone or something different: Unfortunately, there's nothing we can do to change the situation. | Being at college has changed her – she's much more confident now.
- **alter** *especially written* to change something so that it is better or more suitable: You can alter the colour and size of the image using a remote control. | Can we alter the date of the meeting?
- **adapt** to change something slightly in order to improve it or make it more suitable: How much would it cost to adapt the existing equipment? | You can adapt the recipe to suit your own requirements.
- **adjust** to make small changes in the position or level of something in order to improve it or make it more suitable: How do you adjust the volume on the television? | He adjusted his tie in the mirror.
- **modify** *especially written* to make small changes to something such as a piece of equipment, a set of ideas, or a way of behaving in order to improve it or use it in a different way: He's modified his opinions since then. | a modified version of the original program.
- **reform** to change a law, system, organization etc so that it is fairer or more effective: plans to reform the tax system | Health care needs to be completely reformed.
- **revise** to change a plan, idea, law etc because of new information and ideas: In July, China revised the rules for foreign investment. | The findings could force the scientists to revise their ideas about climate change.
- **reorganize** to change the way that a system or organization works: We've had to reorganize our database | During the 1980s, the government reorganized the civil service.
- **restructure** to make big changes to the way something is organized, especially a large political or economic system or a big company, in order to make it more effective: The company has been restructured from top to bottom.

II. **reform**² **W2** BrE^ˈ AmE^ˈ noun [uncountable and countable]

[Word Family: noun: ↑form, ↑formation, ↑transformation, ↑reformer, ↑reform, ↑reformation, ↑reformist, ↑transformer, ↑formlessness; verb: ↑form, ↑reform, ↑transform; adjective: reformed, ↑reformist, ↑formless; adverb: ↑formlessly]

a change or changes made to a system or organization in order to improve it

reform of

" a reform of the legal system

economic/political/educational reform

" The government announced a much-needed programme of economic reform.

" Reforms were made to revivethe economy.

far-reaching/sweeping/radical reforms

" The Prime Minister is calling for sweeping reforms of the NHS.

• • •

COLLOCATIONS

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + reform

- **economic reform** The Prime Minister has promised to push ahead with economic reform.
- **political/democratic/constitutional reform** He stressed that democratic reform could not be achieved overnight.
- **tax reform** The Chancellor's proposals for tax reform met strong resistance in the Commons.
- **education reform** Teachers say the government's education reforms are causing stress.
- **a major reform** He called for a major reform of the drug laws.
- **radical reform** (=very big and important changes) His government adopted a policy of radical reform.
- **fundamental reform** (=changes to the most basic and important parts of something) He wants fundamental reform of the EU's agricultural policy.
- **far-reaching/sweeping reforms** (=reforms that affect many things or have a great effect) The new government instituted a series of far-reaching reforms.

verbs

- **make/carry out reforms** They haven't made any real reforms.
- **introduce reforms** They increased pressure on the government to introduce political reforms.
- **push through reforms** (=make them happen) He has so far failed to push through much-needed economic reforms.
- **implement reforms** (=carry out planned reforms) Much will depend on how local managers implement the reforms.

phrases

- **a package/programme of reforms** A package of reforms was approved by the National Assembly on April 12.

• • •

THESAURUS

- **change** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a situation in which someone or something becomes different, or the act of making something different: There was a sudden change in the weather. | We are living in a period of great change. | He was told to make some slight changes to his essay.
- **alteration** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change, especially a small one that happens naturally or gradually, or one that is made in order to improve something: I noticed a slight alteration in her behaviour. | They had to make some alterations to their original theory.
- **reform** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change made to a system or law in order to improve it: He called for a reform of our outdated voting system. | Many people opposed the economic reforms.
- **shift** *noun* [countable] a change, especially in people's attitudes or in the way they do things, or in the position of someone or something: a shift in public opinion about the war | There has been a noticeable shift in government policy on education. | There needs to be a major shift away from road transport to rail transport. | After he died, there was a dramatic shift in the balance of power.
- **swing** a big change, especially in someone's opinions or moods: There has been a big swing toward the Democrats (=many more people are supporting them). | The drug can cause mood swings.
- **fluctuation** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a change in something - used when something changes often: fluctuations in the value of the dollar | temperature fluctuations | fluctuations in his mood | There has been some fluctuation in productivity levels.

reform

Freakuency Pack

12500 **1227**^{MCW}

15000 **952**^{COCA}

RANGE: **4k** REFORM 49440

reform 32580

reforms 9522

reformist 689

reformists 190

reformed 1604

unreformed 60

reforming 1315

reformer 849

reformers 2251

reformation 325

reformatory 55

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

10759 **1420**²⁹⁶⁶⁵ *nn1*

2024 **11707**²⁴⁷² *vvi*

291 **40170**³³³ *vv0*

86 **74764**¹⁰³ *nnu*

6 **320951**⁷ *jj*