

straight

1. [streit] *n*
 1. (the straight) *мк. sing*
1) прямизна
out of the straight - кривой
 - 2) прямая линия
on the straight - по прямой [*см. тж.* 3]
 2. *спорт.* финишная прямая
back straight - прямая, противоположная финишной прямой
 3. честность
on the straight - *жарг.* честно [*см. тж.* 1, 2)]
I am on the straight - я честно говорю, действую *и т. п.*
 4. *карт.* карты, подобранные подряд по достоинству, «порядок», «стрит» (*в покере*)
 5. 1) нормальный человек (*не гомосексуалист, не наркоман*)
2) *неодобр.* «добропорядочный» человек, обыватель, мещанин
2. [streit] *a*
 1. 1) прямой, неизогнутый
straight line [road] - прямая линия [дорога]
the straightest way to - самый прямой путь в /к/
straight back - прямая /несгорбленная/ спина
 - 2) не отклоняющийся от курса, не сходящий с дороги; непрерывный
straight course - прямой курс
straight flight - полёт по прямой
straight run - беспосадочный полёт
 - 3) невьющийся
straight hair - прямые волосы
 - 4) *авт.* с цилиндрами в ряд (*о двигателе*)
 2. правильный, ровный; находящийся в порядке
your tie isn't straight - ваш галстук сбился набок
straight eye - верный глаз
straight gunner - меткий наводчик
straight blow - прямой удар (*бокс*)
 3. *разг.* честный, прямой, искренний
straight question [answer] - прямой вопрос [ответ]
straight dealing(s) - честность, честное ведение дел
to be straight in one's dealings - быть честным в своих делах
to keep straight - оставаться честным; вести честный /правильный/ образ жизни
straight talk - откровенный разговор, разговор начистоту
a straight thinker - здравомыслящий человек
 4. *разг.* верный, надёжный
straight tip - сведения из достоверных источников
 5. *амер. полит.* неуклонно поддерживающий решения своей партии; преданный своей партии
straight Republican - стойкий республиканец
a straight vote - голос, поданный за весь список кандидатов от своей партии
 6. *амер.* неразбавленный
straight whisky - неразбавленное виски
to drink one's whisky straight - пить неразбавленное виски
 7. *амер. ком.* фиксированный, преysкуранный (*о цене*); без скидки за большое количество купленного
cigars 20 cents straight - сигары 20 центов штука, без скидки
 8. *лит., театр.*
 - 1) чистый по жанру
straight play - (чистая) драма (*без музыки*)
straight comedy - (настоящая) комедия (*не музыкальная*)
straight part - драматическая роль (*без эксцентриады и т. п.*)
 - 2) естественный, органичный (*об игре актёра*)
 - 3) обыкновенный, рядовой (*о лит. произведении*)
a straight novel/story/ - рядовой роман, бесхитрое повествование (*часто в отличие от романов абсурда, фантастики и т. п.*)
 9. 1) идущий по порядку
twelve straight days - двенадцать дней подряд
 - 2) *карт.* расположенный по порядку
straight flush - карты одной масти по порядку; «королевский цвет», флеш-рояль (*в покере*)
 10. *проф.* объективный (*о газетных сообщениях*)
straight story - объективное изложение событий; факты без комментариев
 11. *разг.*
 - 1) обычный, традиционный
straight culture - традиционная культура
 - 2) нормальный, здоровый (*о психике*)
straight and gay people - нормальные /гетеросексуальные/ люди и гомосексуалисты

straight thinking and stoned thinking - нормальное мышление и мышление наркоманов и алкоголиков

12. единственный (о способе вознаграждения); прямой (о сдельщине и т. п.)

a salesman on straight commission - коммивояжёр, работающий только за комиссионные

13. прямой, непосредственный (о наблюдении, расчёте)

◇ straight face - ничего не выражающее лицо

to keep a straight face, to keep one's face straight - стараться не рассмеяться

(as) straight as a die - а) прямой, честный; ≅ такой не подведёт; б) прямой как стрела

(as) straight as a ramrod - ≅ словно аршин проглотил

3. [streɪt] *adv*

1. по прямой линии, прямо

to ride straight - ехать напрямик

to stand straight - стоять прямо, не горбиться

straight set up - с прямой /стройной/ фигурой

to look smb. straight in the eyes [in the face] - смотреть кому-л. прямо в глаза [в лицо]

the drunk could not walk straight - пьяный не мог идти не шатаясь

2. прямо, непосредственно

straight above - прямо над

to go straight to London - поехать прямо в Лондон

it comes straight from Paris - это прибыло прямо из Парижа

to go /to come/ straight to the point - перейти прямо /сразу/ к сути дела

to drink straight from the bottle - пить прямо из горлышка

3. правильно, точно, метко

to shoot straight - метко стрелять

4. правильно, упорядоченно

to put a room straight - привести комнату в порядок

to put the picture straight - а) правильно /ровно/ повесить картину; б) поправить висющую картину

is my hat on straight? - у меня шляпа правильно надета?

he set us straight on that issue - он дал нам правильную информацию по этому вопросу

to get the facts straight - установить факты, разобраться в случившемся

5. честно, открыто, прямо

to tell smb. straight - сказать кому-л. прямо /честно/

to let smb. have it straight - *разг.* честно /прямо/ сказать кому-л.

6. объективно (в газетных сообщениях)

to write a story straight - нарисовать объективную картину; изложить события без комментариев

7. ясно, здраво

he thinks straight - он ясно /здраво/ мыслит

I cannot think straight - не могу собраться с мыслями

8. в сочетаниях:

straight away - немедленно, сразу, тотчас

to go straight away - сразу /немедленно/ уйти

to guess straight away - сразу угадать /догадаться/

straight off - сразу, не колеблясь; не обдумав

to tell smth. straight off - сразу же сказать что-л.

to answer straight off - ответить не задумываясь

five tricks straight off - пять взяток сразу /подряд/

straight out - напрямик, прямо

to speak straight out - говорить прямо

◇ to hit straight from the shoulder - а) говорить прямо, честно, «рубить сплеча»; б) наносить прямой удар

to go /to run/ straight - (начать) вести честный /добропорядочный/ образ жизни; порвать с преступным прошлым, «завязать»

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straight [straɪt straɪts straɪtə straɪtɪst] *adverb, adjective, noun BrE*

[streɪt] *NAme* [streɪt]

adverb (straight-er, straight-est)

NOT IN CURVE

1. not in a curve or at an angle; in a straight line

• Keep **straight on** for two miles.

• Can you stretch your arms out straighter?

• He was too tired to walk straight.

• I can't shoot straight (= accurately).

• She looked me straight in the eye.

IMMEDIATELY

2. by a direct route; immediately

• Come straight home after school.

• I was so tired I went straight to bed.

• She went straight from college to a top job.

• I'm going to the library **straight after** the class.

- I'll come **straight to the point** — your work isn't good enough.

IN LEVEL/CORRECT POSITION

3. in or into a level or vertical position; in or into the correct position

- Sit up straight!
- She pulled her hat straight.

HONESTLY

4. honestly and directly

- I told him straight that I didn't like him.
- Are you **playing straight** with me?

WITHOUT INTERRUPTION

5. continuously without interruption

- They had been working for 16 hours straight.

more at hit sb (straight/right) in the eye **at** ↑hit _{v.,} (straight) from the horse's mouth **at** ↑horse _{n.,} think straight **at** ↑think _{v.,}

Word Origin:

Middle English (as an adjective and adverb): archaic past participle of ↑stretch.

Idioms: ↑get something straight ▪ ↑go straight ▪ ↑play it straight ▪ ↑put somebody straight ▪ ↑straight A's ▪ ↑straight and narrow ▪ ↑straight away ▪ ↑straight face ▪ ↑straight from the shoulder ▪ ↑straight off ▪ ↑straight up

Derived Word ↑straightness

adjective (**straight-er, straight-est**)

WITHOUT CURVES

1. without a bend or curve; going in one direction only

- a straight line
- a straight road
- long straight hair (= without curls)
- a boat sailing **in a straight line**
- straight-backed chairs

CLOTHING

2. not fitting close to the body and not curving away from the body

- a straight skirt

AIM/BLOW

3. going directly to the correct place

- a straight punch to the face

IN LEVEL/CORRECT POSITION

4. positioned in the correct way; level, vertical or parallel to sth

- Is my tie straight?

CLEAN/NEAT

5. **not usually before noun** clean and neat, with everything in the correct place

- It took hours to get the house straight.

HONEST

6. honest and direct

- a straight answer to a straight question
- I don't think you're being straight with me.
- It's time for some **straight talking** .
- You can trust Ben— he's **(as) straight as a die** (= completely honest) .

CHOICE

7. **only before noun** simple; involving only two clear choices

- It was a **straight choice** between taking the job and staying out of work.
- (BrE) The election was a **straight fight** between the two main parties.

ACTOR/PLAY

8. **only before noun** (*of an actor or a play*) not connected with comedy or musical theatre, but with serious theatre

WITHOUT INTERRUPTION

9. **only before noun** one after another in a series, without interruption

Syn: ↑consecutive

- The team has had five straight wins.

ALCOHOLIC DRINK

10. (NAmE) (BrE neat) not mixed with water or anything else

NORMAL/BORING

11. (informal) you can use straight to describe a person who is normal and ordinary, but who you consider dull and boring

SEX

12. (informal) †heterosexual

Opp: †gay

more at ramrod straight(as) straight as a ramrod at †ramrod, put/set the record straight at †record_n.

Word Origin:

Middle English (as an adjective and adverb): archaic past participle of †stretch.

Synonyms:

honest

frank • direct • open • outspoken • straight • blunt

These words all describe people saying exactly what they mean without trying to hide feelings, opinions or facts.

honest • not hiding the truth about sth: ▪ Thank you for being so honest with me.

frank • honest in what you say, sometimes in a way that other people might not like: ▪ To be frank with you, I think your son has little chance of passing the exam.

direct • saying exactly what you mean in a way that nobody can pretend not to understand: ▪ You'll have to get used to his direct manner.

Being **direct** is sometimes considered positive but sometimes it is used as a 'polite' way of saying that sb is rude.

open • (approving) (of a person) not keeping thoughts and feelings hidden: ▪ He was quite open about his reasons for leaving.

outspoken • saying exactly what you think, even if this shocks or offends people: ▪ She was outspoken in her criticism of the plan.

straight • honest and direct: ▪ I don't think you're being straight with me.

blunt • saying exactly what you think without trying to be polite: ▪ She has a reputation for blunt speaking.

which word?

Honest and **frank** refer to **what** you say as much as **how** you say it: ▪ a(n) honest/frank admission of guilt. They are generally positive words, although it is possible to be **too** frank in a way that other people might not like. **Direct**, **outspoken** and **blunt** all describe sb's manner of saying what they think. **Outspoken** suggests that you are willing to shock people by saying what you believe to be right. **Blunt** and **direct** often suggest that you think honesty is more important than being polite. **Open** is positive and describes sb's character: ▪ I'm a very open person.

honest/frank/direct/open/outspoken/straight **about** sth

honest/frank/direct/open/straight/blunt **with** sb

a(n) honest/direct/straight/blunt **answer**

a frank/direct/blunt **manner**

Example Bank:

- Can you hang that sign straight for me?
- His teeth were white and perfectly straight.
- I think he was pretty straight with me.
- I'm trying to get the house straight before the weekend.
- Keep going in a dead straight line.
- Keep the car straight when you're backing out.
- Keep your back absolutely straight.
- Let's get this absolutely straight.
- She had curled her naturally straight hair.
- She held herself very straight.
- She soon set me straight about what had happened.
- She tidied up and put the ornaments straight.
- He stepped back to make sure that the picture was straight.
- I don't think you're being straight with me.
- I expect a straight answer to a straight question.
- I was stranded for nine straight weeks.
- It's time for some straight talking.
- She won in straight sets.
- The team has had six straight wins.
- This was our third straight victory.
- You can trust Ben— he's (as) straight as a die.

noun

SEX

1. (informal) a person who has sexual relationships with people of the opposite sex, rather than the same sex

- gays and straights

OF ROAD/TRACK

2. (NAme also **straight-away**) a straight part of a ↑**racetrack** or road

see also ↑**home straight**

Word Origin:

Middle English (as an adjective and adverb): archaic past participle of ↑**stretch**.

See also: ↑**neat** ▪ ↑**straightaway**

straight

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I. **straight**¹ **S1 W2** /stret/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *adverb*

[Word Family: **verb**: ↑**straighten**; **noun**: ↑**straight**; **adverb**: ↑**straight**; **adjective**: ↑**straight**]

1. **IN A STRAIGHT LINE** in a line or direction that is not curved or bent

straight ahead/at/down/in front of etc

- The book is on the table **straight in front of** you.
- She was looking **straight at** me.
- Terry was so tired he couldn't walk **straight**.
- He was sitting with his legs stretched **straight out** in front of him.

2. **POSITION** in a level or correct position:

- He stopped in front of the mirror to put his tie **straight**.
- Sit up **straight**, don't slouch.

3. **IMMEDIATELY** immediately, without delay, or without doing anything else first

straight to/up/down/back etc

- I went **straight up** to bed.
- Go **straight home** and tell your mother.

straight after

- I've got a meeting **straight after** lunch.
- I think I should **get straight to the point**.

4. **ONE AFTER THE OTHER** happening one after the other in a series:

- He's been without sleep now for three days **straight**.

5. **HONEST** (also **straight out**) if you say or ask something **straight**, you say it in an honest direct way, without trying to hide your meaning:

- I just told him **straight** that I wouldn't do it.
- She **came straight out with it** and said she was leaving.
- I hope, for your sake, you're **playing it straight** (=being honest).
- I told him **straight to his face** (=speaking directly to him) what I thought of him.

6. **think/see straight** if you cannot think or see **straight**, you cannot think or see clearly:

- Turn the radio down – I can't think **straight**.

7. **straight away** (also **straight off**) *British English spoken* immediately or without delay:

- I phoned my mum **straight away**.

8. **go straight informal** to stop being a criminal and live an honest life:

- Tony's been trying to go **straight** for about six months.

9. **straight up spoken**

a) used to ask someone if they are telling the truth:

- **Straight up?** Did you really pay that much for it?

b) used to emphasize that what you are saying is true:

- **No, straight up,** I've never seen him before.

10. **straight from the shoulder** *British English informal* if someone speaks **straight from the shoulder**, they say things in a very direct way, without trying to be polite

II. **straight**² **S2 W3** *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *adjective* (comparative **straighter**, superlative **straightest**)

[Word Family: **verb**: ↑**straighten**; **noun**: ↑**straight**; **adverb**: ↑**straight**; **adjective**: ↑**straight**]

[Date: 1300-1400; Origin: From an old past participle of stretch]

1. **NOT BENDING OR CURVING** something that is **straight** does not bend or curve:

- a long, **straight** road
- Try to keep your legs **straight**.
- Always lift with a **straight** back.
- her long, **straight** black hair
- They sat down **in a straight line**.
- The road was **dead straight** (=completely straight).

2. **LEVEL/UPRIGHT** level or upright, and not leaning to one side:

- Is my tie **straight**?
- **straight** white teeth

3. **TRUTHFUL** honest and truthful:

- I'd like a **straight answer** please.
- Just give me a **straight** yes or no.
- I think it's time for some **straight talk** now.

be straight with somebody

- I wish you'd just be **straight with** me.

4. **ONE AFTER ANOTHER** [only before noun] happening immediately one after another in a series:

- The team now has an amazing record of 43 **straight** wins.

5. **TIDY** [not before noun] a room that is straight is clean and tidy and everything is in its proper place:
 - " It took me two hours to get the house straight.
 6. **get something straight** *spoken* to understand the facts of a situation and be able to tell them correctly:
 - " I wanted to get the facts straight.
 - " Let me get this straight – Tom sold the car and gave you the money?
 7. **set/put somebody straight** to make someone understand the true facts about a situation:
 - " Tell him to ask Ruth – she'll put him straight.
 8. **straight face** if you have a straight face, you are not laughing or smiling even though you would like to:
 - " I found it very difficult to keep a straight face.
 9. **SEXUAL CHOICE** *informal* someone who is straight is attracted to people of the opposite sex **SYN** heterosexual
 10. **ALCOHOLIC DRINK** a straight alcoholic drink has no water or any other drink added to it:
 - " a straight whisky
 11. **NOT OWING MONEY** [not before noun] *spoken* if two people are straight, they no longer owe money to each other:
 - " If you give me £10, then we're straight.
 12. **CHOICE/EXCHANGE** [only before noun] a straight choice or exchange is between only two possible choices or things:
 - " It was a straight choice between my career or my family.
 - " We did a straight swap – one of my cards for one of his.
 13. **FIGHT/COMPETITION** [only before noun] a straight fight or competition is between only two people:
 - " The election is now a straight fight between Labour and the Conservatives.
 14. **NORMAL** *informal* someone who is straight behaves in a way that is accepted as normal by many people but which you think is boring
 15. **NOT FUNNY** a straight actor or character does not try to make people laugh
 16. **ONLY ONE TYPE** completely one particular type of something:
 - " It's not a straight historical novel.
 17. **DRUGS** *informal* someone who is straight does not take illegal drugs
- ⇒ **set/put the record straight** at ↑record
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THESAURUS

■ not hiding the truth or the facts

- **honest** saying what you really think and not hiding the truth or the facts: I'm going to ask you something, and I want you to be honest with me. | an honest answer | To be honest, I didn't think his speech was very good.
- **straight** *informal* honest and saying what you really think: I can't help you if you're not straight with me. | I need a straight answer.
- **open** willing to talk about what you think, feel etc in an honest way, rather than trying to hide it: People have become more open about their feelings. | She's very easy to talk to because she's so open.
- **frank** speaking honestly and directly about something, especially something that people find difficult to discuss: In his book, he's brutally frank about his experience with his illness. | a frank discussion about sex
- **direct** saying exactly what you think in an honest clear way, even when this might annoy or upset people: Not everyone liked his direct manner. | She can be very direct.
- **blunt** speaking in a completely honest way, even if it upsets people, when it would be better to be more careful or polite: Sorry if I was a bit blunt with you. | His hard tone and blunt words were hurtful. | She didn't reply and I knew I had been too blunt.
- **upfront** [not before noun] *informal* talking and behaving in an honest way, even when it is difficult to do this, in a way that people respect: It's best to be upfront about your financial problems. | You have to be upfront with kids.
- **outspoken** expressing your opinions publicly in a very direct way, which may offend or annoy some people: an outspoken critic of the government | He was known for his outspoken views on various controversies.
- **forthright** *formal* saying exactly what you think, without being afraid of what other people will think: The opposition have not come up with a clear forthright statement of their policies. | At times, Helena was a little too forthright.
- **candid** *formal* honest about the facts, or about your opinions and feelings, even if other people disapprove of them: He'd always been completely candid about his past. | It was an unusually candid admission for a politician.

III. **straight**³ *BrE* *AmE* *noun*

[Word Family: verb: ↑straighten; noun: ↑straight; adverb: ↑straight; adjective: ↑straight]

1. [singular] *especially British English* the straight part of a ↑racetrack
2. **the straight and narrow** *old-fashioned* an honest and morally good way of life
3. [countable] *informal* someone who is attracted to people of the opposite sex **OPP** gay

straight

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