understanding

1. 1) понимание

he hasn't much understanding of the question - он совсем мало смыслит в этом вопросе he has a good understanding of economics - он хорошо разбирается в экономике

2) объяснение, интерпретация суждение

this is my understanding of the affair - так я воспринимаю это дело

this is not my understanding - я об этом сужу иначе, у меня другое суждение

3) понимание (кого-л.); сочувствие (кому-л.); чуткость, отзывчивость

2. разум, рассудок, интеллект

he has an excellent understanding - он прекрасно соображает, он обладает большой сообразительностью a man of understanding - человек с головой

3. согласие, взаимопонимание

he disturbed the good understanding between them - он испортил хорошие отношения между ними

4. договорённость, соглашение

private understanding - частное соглашение

memorandum of understanding - дип. меморандум о договорённости

to reach /to come to/ an understanding - прийтик соглашению

they have a secret understanding with other firms - они имеют негласную договорённость с другими фирмами with a clear understanding as to the price - при твёрдой договорённости о цене

it is our understanding that ... - мы исходим из того, что ...

5. условие

on this understanding - при этом условии

on the understanding that ... - при условии, что ..., на том условии, что ...

6. филос. рассудочное познание

2. [, Andə'stændıŋ] a

1. понимающий, разумный

understanding parents - разумные родители

2. отзывчивый, чуткий

understanding heart - чуткое сердце

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under·stand·ing [understanding understandings] noun, adjective BrE [,^ndə'stændɪŋ] ^{*} NAmE [,^ndər'stændɪŋ] ^{*}

noun

1. uncountable, singular ~ (of sth) the knowledge that sb has about a particular subject or situation

- The committee has little or no understanding of the problem.
- The existence of God is beyond human understanding (= humans cannot know whether God exists or not) .
- Most of the students have a sound understanding of English grammar.
- 2. countable, usually singular an informal agreement
- We finally came to an understanding about what hours we would work.
- We have this understanding that nobody talks about work overlunch.

3. uncountable, singular the ability to understand why people behave in a particular way and the willingness to forgive them when they do sth wrong

- We must tackle the problem with sympathy and understanding.
- We are looking for a better understanding between the two nations.
- Try to show a little more understanding.

4. uncountable, countable ~ (of sth) the particular way in which sb understands sth

Syn: [†]interpretation

- My understanding of the situation is...
- The statement is open to various understandings.

Example Bank:

- After spending a month living together, they have gained a better understanding of each other.
- All of this research informs our understanding of how disease processes work.
- Greater contact between the two groups should lead to a better mutual understanding.
- He didn't show much understanding towards her when she lost her job.
- He had a poor understanding of international law.
- He showed a full understanding of the sequence of events.
- How children change so quickly is beyond my understanding.
- I have a clear understanding with any lawyer I hire.
- $\ensuremath{\cdot}$ I thought you gave me the book on the understanding that I could keep it.
- It allowed him to deepen his degree of understanding even further.
- It was our understanding that you had already been informed.
- My understanding of the arrangements is that David is buying the tickets and we're meeting him at the theatre.
- Our goal was to build shared understanding between the two communities.
- Scientists are seeking a better understanding of the process.
- She gave me a look filled with sympathetic understanding.
- She has only a limited understanding of what the job involves

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- She suddenly had a new understanding for her mother.
- Some religions have a common understanding of the nature of a divine being.
- The association fosters a deeper understanding between prisons and the public.
- The book aims to give children a balanced understanding of food and the environment
- The idea of eternity is beyond our full understanding.
- The students seem to have a reasonable level of understanding of how genes work.
- There is an unspoken understanding that Hugh will be in charge while Jane is away.
- They came to an understanding on when final payment was to be made.
- This change of policy reflects a growing understanding of the extent of the problem.
- This creates a better understanding of organic farming.
- You need to read more widely to gain a proper understanding of the issue.
- a book that will deepen your understanding of global warming
- a force for understanding among the races
- · a level of cruelty that passes human understanding
- a tacit understanding on the need for a pay rise
- an improved understanding of the mechanisms involved
- an understanding between the companies to fight against the proposed tax reform
- with a view to increasing public understanding of the functions and institutions of government
- His writings reflect a good understanding of the society he lived in.
- Our growing understanding of genetics raises some complex issues.
- Please try to show a little more understanding.
- She has always shown great understanding of local political structures.
- Students will gain an active understanding of the workings of Parliament.
- The course should help enhance your understanding of the treatments available.
- The vastness of the universe is beyond human understanding.
- There is a general lack of understanding about the problems facing newly-arrived immigrants.
- You will need to have a thorough understanding of financial systems .

Idiom: [†]on the understanding that ...

Derived Word [†]understandingly

adjective showing sympathy for other people's problems and being willing to forgive them when they do sth wrong **Syn:** †sympathetic

• She has very understanding parents.

understanding

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I. un der stand ing¹ W3 /,∧ndə'stændıŋ \$ -ər-/ BrE * AmE * noun [Word Family: adjective: ¹understandable, ¹understanding, ¹misunderstood; verb: ¹understand ≠ ¹misunderstand; noun:

- tunderstanding \neq timisunderstanding; adverb tunderstandably]
- 1. [singular, uncountable] knowledge about something, based on learning or experience understanding of
 - How does this add to our understanding of the problem?
 - ^{*} If you know the neighbourhood, you <u>have an understanding of</u> what the children are like.
 - ^{*} Linguists currently <u>have little</u> <u>understanding of</u> the exact cause of language change.
 - How can we gain an understanding of other cultures?
 - Overtime, you will get <u>a</u> far <u>better understanding of</u> the job.
 - Success depends on <u>a clear understanding of</u> the problem.
 - a basic understanding of AIDS prevention
- 2. [countable usually singular] an unofficial or informal agreement
- come to/reach an understanding (=stop arguing and agree)
 - My father was furious at first, but eventually we came to an understanding.
 - We had an understanding that Jean-Claude should neverbe mentioned.
- **3**. [singular, uncountable] the ability to understand people's behaviourand to forgive them when they do something wrong: The principal listened to the boy's story with sympathy and understanding.
- 4. sb's understanding (of something) the way in which someone judges the meaning of something:
 - According to my understanding of the letter, it means something quite different.

5. on the understanding that if you agree to something on the understanding that something else will be done, you agree to it, believing that it will be done:

Jack lent Sarah the money on the understanding that she would pay it back next month.

COLLOCATIONS

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verbs

- have an understanding The authorities don't seem to have a clear understanding of the problem.
- gain/get/develop an understanding Scientists continued to gain a greater understanding of the effects of radiation.
- deepen /broaden an understanding It is hoped that the research will broaden our understanding of the disease.
- increase/improve/enhance sb's understanding The classes really helped to increase our understanding of the subject.

adjectives

- a better/greater/deeper understanding All of this will lead to a better understanding of the overseas market.
- a clear understanding Before you begin, it is vital that you have a clear understanding of what you want to achieve.

- a complete/thorough/full understanding The degree gives students a thorough understanding of issues relating to housing.
- a proper/real understanding They lacked any real understanding of the subject.
- **a good understanding** The sales force has a good understanding of the market.
- **a basic understanding** The aim of the examination is to test basic understanding of the written language.
- a limited understanding We have only a limited understanding of how the brain processes this information.

II. understanding² BrE AmE adjective

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sympathetic and kind about other people's problems:

Luckily, I have a very understanding boss.

THESAURUS

• sympathetic kind to someone who is having problems: My friends were very sympathetic when I lost my job. | Jill was a very sympathetic listener. | a sympathetic attitude

compassionate wanting to help people who are suffering or having problems: The doctor was a compassionate man who always acted in his patients' best interests.

• understanding not getting angry with someone or criticizing them, because you can see that they have problems: I have had a lot of time off work, but my boss is very understanding. | an understanding look

- caring caring about other people's feelings and wanting to help them: I have very caring parents. | Most of the nurses are very caring.

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