

gentleman[ˈdʒentl̩mən] *n* (*pl* -men [-{ˈdʒentl̩}mən])

1. 1) джентльмен; хорошо воспитанный человек

true /perfect/ gentleman - настоящий джентльмен

he is a gentleman - он порядочный человек

he is one of nature's gentlemen - в нём есть прирождённое благородство

he is a gentleman every inch of him - он настоящий /истинный/ джентльмен, он джентльмен с головы до пят

to be a gentleman in the finest sense of the word - быть джентльменом в лучшем смысле слова

he is no gentleman - он совсем не джентльмен

there is nothing of the gentleman about him - он совсем не похож на джентльмена

a gentleman never uses such language - воспитанный человек так не выражается

be a gentleman and give her your seat - будьте джентльменом и уступите ей место

2) *уст.* богатый человек

to lead the life of a gentleman - вести праздный образ жизни

3) *уст.* дворянин

gentleman of the King's bedchamber - камер-юнкер

4) спортсмен-любитель (*крикет*)

gentlemen and players - любители и профессионалы

2. 1) господин, джентльмен, мужчина

young [old, stout] gentleman - молодой [старый, полный] господин /человек/

who is the gentleman in the corner? - кто этот человек в углу?

a gentleman has called to see you - к тебе заходил какой-то мужчина

for gentlemen only! - только для мужчин! (*надпись*)

my gentleman - человек, о котором идёт речь; мой герой

2) *парл.* джентльменthe honourable Gentleman - почтенный джентльмен (*в обращении к члену парламента или при упоминании о нём*)the Most Honourable Gentleman - достопочтенный джентльмен (*в парламентских речах - при обращении к маркизу или члену парламента, награждённому орденом Бани, или при упоминании о нём*)the Right Honourable Gentleman - достопочтенный джентльмен (*в парламентских речах - при упоминании о членах Тайного совета, а тж. о графах, виконтах, баронах или в обращении к ним*)the honourable and gallant gentleman - почтенный и доблестный джентльмен (*обращение одного из членов парламента к другому, военному по профессии, или при упоминании о нём*)the gentleman from Texas - *амер.* представитель штата Техас, член палаты представителей от штата Техас3) *pl* в обращении:

gentlemen! - господа!

3. *pl* мужская уборная

◇ gentleman's /gentlemen's/ agreement - джентльменское соглашение

gentleman of the cloth - духовное лицо, служитель церкви, священник

gentleman of the gown /of the (long) robe/ - учёный юрист

gentleman of the inkpot /of the press/ - корреспондент, газетчик

gentleman of the pad, gentleman of the road - «рыцарь с большой дороги», разбойник

gentleman of fortune - рыцарь фортуны; пират, авантюрист, искатель приключений

walking gentleman - *театр.* статист

gentleman of virtue - ценитель искусств

a gentleman's gentleman - камердинер, слуга, лакей

gentleman at large - а) *шутл.* человек без определённых занятий, сам себе хозяин; б) *уст.* придворный без определённой должности

old gentleman, gentleman in black - сатана, дьявол

gentleman in brown - клоп

the (little) gentleman in black velvet - крот

a gentleman of the three outs (*out of pocket, out at elbows, out of credit*) - *шутл.* ≅ ни денег, ни одежды, ни доверия**gentleman**

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gentle·man [gentleman gentlemen] *BrE* [ˈdʒentl̩mən] ^ˈ *NAmE* [ˈdʒentl̩mən] ^ˈ**noun** (*pl.* gentle·men *BrE* [ˈdʒentl̩mən] ^ˈ ; *NAmE* [ˈdʒentl̩mən] ^ˈ)1. **countable** a man who is polite and well educated, who has excellent manners and always behaves well

• Thank you— you're a real gentleman.

• He's no gentleman!

compare ↑lady2. **countable, usually plural** (*formal*) used to address or refer to a man, especially sb you do not know• **Ladies and gentlemen!** Can I have your attention, please?

• Gentlemen of the jury!

• Can I help you, gentlemen?

• There's a gentleman to see you. In more informal speech, you could say

• Can I help you?

• There's someone to see you.

3. (*NAmE*) used to address or refer to a male member of a ↑legislature, for example the House of Representatives4. (*old-fashioned*) a man from a high social class, especially one who does not need to work

• a country gentleman

- a gentleman farmer (= one who owns a farm for pleasure, not as his main job)
- see a gentleman/lady of leisure at ↑leisure

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'man of noble birth'): from ↑gentle + ↑man, translating Old French *gentilz hom*. In later use the term denoted 'a man of a good family (especially one entitled to a coat of arms) but not of the nobility'.

Culture:

gentlemen's clubs

The **gentlemen's club** is a British institution. Gentlemen's clubs are comfortable, private places with bars, a restaurant, a library and sometimes bedrooms. They attract as members **businessmen**, politicians and others from the ↑upper class and the ↑Establishment. Members use their club as a place to meet friends or take business contacts. Most are situated in London's ↑West End and many have large impressive buildings.

Membership is expensive and at most clubs is restricted to men, though the ↑Reform Club has had women members since the 1960s. Generally, women and other **non-members** are not allowed inside clubs except as guests of a member, and women are allowed only in certain rooms. Members must obey rules about dress and behaviour. People wanting to be members may have to wait a long time before they are admitted to the most popular clubs, and will only be allowed to join if an existing member **seconds** (= supports) them. Any member may object to membership being offered to a particular person by **blackballing** (= voting against) him.

Gentlemen's clubs developed in the mid 18th century. Men had previously met socially and to discuss business in coffee houses where coffee, tea and chocolate, all new drinks in Britain at the time, were available. ↑White's, the oldest London club, developed from a chocolate house. Some coffee houses, like the later clubs, were linked with particular professions. For instance, Lloyd's coffee house was associated with **shipping** and later became ↑Lloyd's of London. In the 18th century clubs were mainly used for drinking and gambling but later attracted members who shared more serious interests. People interested in science and literature joined the ↑Athenaeum, politicians went to the Reform, the ↑Carlton Club or Brooks's, and theatre people joined the Garrick.

Today, the gentlemen's club suggests to many people an old-fashioned world based on class, where **snobbery** and prejudice still survive. There is now less interest among younger business people in joining clubs and several have had to close.

In the US there are not many institutions like the gentlemen's club. Private universities like Harvard have ↑alumni associations for people who have studied there, and being a member of such clubs is associated with wealth and social status. The club building of the Harvard Club has in many ways the atmosphere of an English gentlemen's club.

Thesaurus:

gentleman noun C (formal)

• There's a gentleman here to see you.

man • |informal **guy** • |BrE, informal **bloke** • |especially AmE, slang **dude** • |formal **male** •

Opp: lady

a **young/old** gentleman/man/guy/bloke/dude/male

a **nice** gentleman/man/guy/bloke/dude

Example Bank:

- He may be famous, but he's no gentleman.
- He retired to his estate and lived the life of a country gentleman.
- He was too much of a gentleman to ask them for any money.
- He's a real gentleman, always kind and considerate.
- Ladies and gentlemen! Can I have your attention, please?
- There's a gentleman here to see you.

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gen **tle** **man** **S2 W2** /'dʒentlmən/ BrE " AmE " noun (plural **gentlemen** /-mə'n/) [countable]

1. a polite word for a man, used especially when talking to or about a man you do not know ⇒ **lady**:

" Could you serve this gentleman please, Miss Bath?

" Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

" An elderly gentleman was asleep next to the fire.

2. a man who is always polite, has good manners, and treats other people well ⇒ **lady**:

" Martin – always the perfect gentleman – got to his feet when my mother walked in.

" Mr Field was a real gentleman.

3. **old-fashioned** a man from a high social class, especially one whose family owns a lot of property ⇒ **lady**:

" an English country gentleman

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- **man** an adult male human: a young man | Sir Edmund Hillary was the first man to climb Mount Everest.
- **guy** (also **bloke/chap** *British English*) **informal** a man: She'd arranged to meet a guy in the bar. | Alex is a really nice bloke.
- **gentleman** **formal** a man – used as a very polite way of talking about a man: an elderly gentleman | Please could you serve this gentleman?
- **boy** a young male person, usually a child or a teenager: a teenage boy
- **lad** *old-fashioned informal* a boy or young man: When I was a young lad, I wanted to join the army.
- **youth** a teenage boy or young man – used especially in news reports to show disapproval: Gangs of youths roam the streets.
- **male** **formal** a man – used especially by the police or in science and research contexts. The adjective **male** is much more

common than the noun: We are investigating the death of an unidentified male. | The condition is usually found only in males.
- **dude** *American English informal* a man - a very informal use: You could tell there was something creepy going on with that dude.

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