

inform

[ɪn'fɔ:m] v

1. сообщать, извещать, уведомлять, информировать
to inform smb. of smth. - сообщить кому-л. что-л. /о чём-л./
inform me on /about, concerning, regarding/ this matter - проинформируйте меня по этому вопросу
if I am rightly informed - если меня правильно проинформировали
to keep smb. informed (of smth.) - держать кого-л. в курсе дела
I wish to inform you that - **офици.** (я) хочу сообщить Вам, что
I have the honour to inform you that - **офици.** (я) имею честь сообщить Вам, что
herewith I inform you that - **офици.** настоящим сообщаю Вам /извещаю Вас/, что
2. (against, **редк.** on) осведомлять, доносить; подавать жалобу
to inform smb. against /on/ smb. - донести кому-л. на кого-л.; пожаловаться кому-л. на кого-л.
3. **возвыш.** наполнять (**чувствами и т. п.**); (во)одушевлять
to inform smth. with life - вдохнуть жизнь во что-л.
to inform one's heart with pity - наполнить сердце жалостью
4. **редк.** развивать (**ум и т. п.**); формировать (**характер**)

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in·form [inform informs informed informing] BrE [ɪn'fɔ:m] NAmE [ɪn'fɔ:rm]

verb

1. to tell sb about sth, especially in an official way
 - ~ **sb (of/about sth)** Please inform us of any changes of address.
 - The leaflet informs customers about healthy eating.
 - He went to inform them of his decision.
 - Inform me at once if there are any changes in her condition.
 - Have the police been informed?
 - ~ **sb that...** I have been **reliably informed** (= somebody I trust has told me) that the couple will marry next year.
 - A notice informed the guests that formal dress was required.
 - I am pleased to inform you that you have won first prize in this month's competition.
 - ~ **sb + speech** 'He's already left,' she informed us.
 - ~ **sb when, where, etc...** I have not been informed when the ceremony will take place.
2. ~ **yourself (of/about sth)** to find out information about sth
 - We need time to inform ourselves thoroughly of the problem.
3. ~ **sth (formal)** to have an influence on sth
 - Religion informs every aspect of their lives.
 - These guidelines will be used to inform any future decisions.

Derived ↑inform on somebody

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	inform
	BrE /ɪn'fɔ:m/
	NAmE /ɪn'fɔ:rm/
he / she /it	informs
	BrE /ɪn'fɔ:mz/
	NAmE /ɪn'fɔ:rmz/
past simple, past participle	informed
	BrE /ɪn'fɔ:md/
	NAmE /ɪn'fɔ:rmɪd/
-ing form	informing
	BrE /ɪn'fɔ:mɪŋ/
	NAmE /ɪn'fɔ:rmɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English enforme, informe 'give form or shape to', also 'form the mind of, teach', from Old French **enfourmer**, from Latin **informare** 'shape, fashion, describe', from in- 'into' + forma 'a form'.

Thesaurus:

inform verb T

- Please inform us of any change of address.
- tell** • • **report** • • **fill sb in** • • **brief** • |**formal notify** • |**especially written humorous enlighten** •
- inform sb/tell sb/report/brief sb/notify sb **that...**
- inform/tell/notify sb **of** sth
- inform/tell/brief/enlighten sb **about** sth

Inform or notify? **Notify** is often used for important facts that the authorities or public need to know. It is not used for more personal or general information:

- I have been reliably informed that the couple will marry next year.
- ✗ I have been reliably notified that the couple will marry next year.:
- The leaflet informs customers about healthy eating.
- ✗ The leaflet notifies customers about healthy eating.

Example Bank:

- I am not advising you. I am merely informing you of the situation.
- I regret to inform you that you have been unsuccessful in your application.
- Many people questioned whether patients were informed adequately of the risks.
- Next time you decide to take some action, kindly inform me.
- Students are clearly informed that drugs will not be tolerated.
- The clinic is required to inform the patient about possible alternative treatments.
- We will immediately inform you of any changes to the programme.
- efforts to inform young people about the dangers of drugs
- I am pleased to inform you that you have won first prize in this month's competition.
- I have been reliably informed that the couple will marry next year.

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[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑nformant, ↑nformation, ↑nformer, ↑mismformation, ↑disinformation; **verb**: ↑nform, ↑mismform; **adjective**: ↑nformative ≠UNINFORMATIVE, ↑nformed ≠↑uninformed; **adverb**: ↑nformatively]

[**Date**: 1300-1400; **Language**: Old French; **Origin**: enformer, from Latin informare 'to give shape to', from forma; ⇨ ↑form¹]

1. to officially tell someone about something or give them information:

• They decided to inform the police

inform somebody about/of something

• Please inform us of any change of address as soon as possible.

inform somebody (that)

• We regret to inform you that your application has been rejected.

2. formal to influence someone's attitude or opinion:

• Her experience as a refugee informs the content of her latest novel.

inform on/against somebody phrasal verb

to tell the police or an enemy information about someone that will harm them:

• He denied that he had ever informed on his neighbours.

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THESAURUS

■ **to officially tell someone**

- **inform** to officially tell someone about something: Do you think we ought to inform the police? | Doctors should inform patients about the possible side effects of any drugs they prescribe.
- **announce** to tell people publicly and officially about something: The university chancellor announced his resignation on Friday. | It was announced that the company had made a profit of \$6 billion.
- **report** to officially tell someone about something that has happened: She was able to report that the project was nearly finished.
- **notify formal** to tell someone officially about something that has happened or that is planned to happen: Staff were notified several months in advance that they would be losing their jobs.

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