

**attractive**[ə'træktɪv] *a*

притягательный привлекательный заманчивой

attractive smile - очаровательная улыбка

attractive offer [idea] - заманчивое предложение [-ая мысль]

to offer goods at attractive prices - предлагать товары по ценам, устраивающим покупателей

**attractive**

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**attract-ive** *BrE* [ə'træktɪv] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [ə'træktɪv] <sup>m</sup> **adjective****1.** (of a person) pleasant to look at, especially in a sexual way

- an attractive woman
- I like John but I don't **find him attractive** physically.

**2.** (of a thing or a place) pleasant

- a big house with an attractive garden
- Your new glasses are very attractive.
- Antique furniture is used to make an attractive contrast with a modern setting.
- That's one of the less attractive aspects of her personality.

**3.** having features or qualities that make sth seem interesting and worth having**Syn:** ↑appealing

- an **attractive offer/proposition**
- They are able to offer attractive career opportunities to graduates.

**Opp:** ↑unattractive**Derived Words** ↑attractively ▪ ↑attractiveness**Word Origin:**late Middle English (in the sense 'absorbent'): from French **attractif**, **-ive**, from late Latin **attractivus**, from the verb **attrahere**, from **ad-** 'to' + **trahere** 'draw'.**Thesaurus:****attractive** [**attractive attractively attractiveness**] **adj.****1.**

- She was a tall, attractive woman.

**good-looking** • • **handsome** • • **pretty** • • **beautiful** • • **striking** • |especially *BrE* **lovely** • |especially *AmE*, informal **cute** •**Opp:** unattractivea/an attractive/good-looking/handsome/pretty/beautiful/striking/lovely/cute **girl/woman/face**a/an attractive/good-looking/handsome/pretty/beautiful/lovely/cute **boy**a/an attractive/good-looking/handsome/beautiful/cute **man****Attractive or good-looking?** **Attractive** often describes sb's personality as well as their appearance; **good-looking** only describes sb's appearance.**2.**

- a large house with an attractive garden

**pretty** • • **charming** • • **beautiful** • • **picturesque** • • **impressive** • |especially *BrE* **lovely** •**Opp:** unattractivea/an attractive/pretty/charming/beautiful/picturesque/lovely **place/town/village**attractive/beautiful/picturesque/impressive/lovely **scenery/views**a/an attractive/charming/beautiful/lovely **smile****3.**

- attractive career opportunities for graduates

**appealing** • |formal **desirable** •**Opp:** unattractiveattractive/appealing **to sb**an attractive/appealing **idea/prospect****highly** attractive/desirable**Synonyms:****beautiful****pretty** • **handsome** • **attractive** • **lovely** • **good-looking** • **gorgeous**

These words all describe people who are pleasant to look at.

**beautiful** • (especially of a woman or girl) very pleasant to look at: ▪ She looked stunningly beautiful that night.**pretty** • (especially of a girl or woman) pleasant to look at: ▪ She's got a very pretty face.**Pretty** is used most often to talk about girls. When it is used to talk about a woman, it usually suggests that she is like a girl, with small, delicate features.**handsome** • (of a man) pleasant to look at; (of a woman) pleasant to look at, with large strong features rather than small delicate ones: ▪ He was described as 'tall, dark and handsome'.**attractive** • (of a person) pleasant to look at, especially in a sexual way: ▪ She's a very attractive woman.**lovely** • (of a person) beautiful; very attractive: ▪ She looked particularly lovely that night.When you describe sb as **lovely**, you are usually showing that you also have a strong feeling of affection for them.**good-looking** • (of a person) pleasant to look at, often in a sexual way: ▪ She arrived with a very good-looking man.**gorgeous** • (informal) (of a person) extremely attractive, especially in a sexual way: ▪ You look gorgeous!

### attractive or good-looking?

If you describe sb as **attractive** you often also mean that they have a pleasant personality as well as being pleasant to look at; **good-looking** just describes sb's physical appearance.

a(n) beautiful/pretty/handsome/attractive/lovely/good-looking/gorgeous **girl/woman**

a(n) beautiful/handsome/attractive/good-looking/gorgeous **boy/man**

a(n) beautiful/pretty/handsome/attractive/lovely/good-looking **face**

#### Example Bank:

- He no longer found her physically attractive.
- Schools must try to make science more attractive to youngsters.
- She looked attractive and beautifully dressed.
- The policy is superficially attractive, but unlikely to work.
- This is an idea that I find very attractive.
- This is not an economically attractive option for many farmers.
- a stunningly attractive woman
- a visually attractive display
- I like John as a person, but I don't find him attractive physically.
- She's a very attractive woman.
- The city itself is very attractive.
- They've made us a very attractive offer.
- This is a big house with an attractive garden.
- an attractive idea/theory/proposition/option/prospect/package/offer

### attractive

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attractive **S2 W2** /ə'træktɪv/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*

[Word Family: noun: ↑attraction, ↑attractiveness; verb: ↑attract; adverb: ↑attractively; adjective: ↑attractive ≠ ↑unattractive]

1. someone who is attractive is good looking, especially in a way that makes you sexually interested in them:

- an attractive young woman
- Women seem to find him attractive.

2. pleasant to look at:

- Kitchen utensils should be attractive as well as functional.

3. having qualities that make you want to accept something or be involved in it

**attractive to**

- a political movement that is attractive to young people

**attractive offer/proposition/package etc**

- I must say, it's a very attractive offer.

—**attractively** *adverb*

—**attractiveness** *noun* [uncountable]

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