

convention[kən'venʃ(ə)n] *n*

1. 1) собрание, съезд
teachers' [businessmen's] convention - съезд /конференция симпозиум/ учителей [бизнесменов]
- 2) *амер.* партийный съезд для выдвижения кандидатов на выборные должности, *особ.* на пост президента
the Democratic [Republican] (Party) Convention-съезд демократической [республиканской] партии
- 3) *уст.* конвент
2. созыв (*совещания, съезда*)
3. делегаты съезда, участники совещания, конференции *и т. п.*
4. договор, соглашение, конвенция
international convention - международная конвенция, международное соглашение
multilateral convention - многосторонняя конвенция
arbitration convention - соглашение об арбитраже
5. принятое правило; обычай
social conventions - нормы общения
to be a slave to convention - быть рабом условностей; слепо выполнять то, что принято
convention now permits trousers for women - сейчас никто не возражает против того, что женщины носят брюки
it is a matter of convention that men should open doors for ladies - принято, чтобы мужчины открывали дверь дамам /пропускали дам вперёд/
6. *иск.*, *театр.* условность
this is a convention in the theatre - это театральная условность
7. *карт.* объявление масти *или* ход с целью показать партнёру свою «руку»

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con-ven-tion **AW** [convention conventions] *BrE* [kən'venʃn] ^m *NAmE*[kən'venʃn] ^m **noun**

1. countable, uncountable the way in which sth is done that most people in a society expect and consider to be polite or the right way to do it

- social conventions
- **By convention** the deputy leader was always a woman.
- She is a young woman who enjoys flouting conventions.
- Convention demands that a club member should resign in such a situation.

2. countable a large meeting of the members of a profession, a political party, etc.

Syn: ↑conference

- to hold a convention
- the Democratic Party Convention (= to elect a candidate for president)

3. countable an official agreement between countries or leaders

- the Geneva convention
- the United Nations convention on the rights of the child

4. countable, uncountable a traditional method or style in literature, art or the theatre

- the conventions of Greek tragedy

Word Origin:

late Middle English (in sense 2): via Old French from Latin *conventio(n)* 'meeting, covenant', from the verb *convenire* 'assemble, agree, fit', from *con-* 'together' + *venire* 'come'. Sense 1 dates from the late 18th cent.

Thesaurus:

convention **noun** **C, U**

- The handshake is a social convention.

custom • • **practice** • • **tradition** • • **norms** •

a convention/custom/tradition **that ...**

follow a convention/custom/practice/tradition/... norms

break with convention/a practice/tradition

a convention/custom/tradition **demands** sth

Example Bank:

- By convention, planets are named after Roman gods.
- By convention, the Queen gives the Royal Assent to all measures passed by Parliament.
- Convention dictated that dangerous physical action is the part of heroes, not heroines.
- Dallas is one of the top convention cities in the United States.
- He addressed the annual Republican convention.
- He challenged the conventions of painting.
- He had the freedom of spirit to cut through convention.
- Her work refuses any concession to polite conventions of 'good taste'.
- In a surprising break with convention, she wore a red wedding dress.
- It's an established convention that the part is played by a woman.
- It's an established convention that the part of the prince is played by a woman.
- Life with the Leighs was not hidebound by rules or convention.
- Most countries have adhered to the convention.

- No young politician can afford to flout convention in this way.
- Over 60 countries have yet to ratify the climate convention.
- She knew that she had broken an important social convention.
- She was at the Democratic convention.
- The convention established procedures for the transport of toxic waste.
- The novel refuses to conform to the narrative conventions of 19th century realism.
- They followed the Greek convention of pinning gifts of money to the bride's dress.
- This is forbidden under the Convention on Human Rights.
- This practice breaches the arms convention.
- a convention governing the conditions under which mining is permitted
- journalists reporting from the convention floor
- the 1869 convention between Turkey and Persia
- the 1951 United Nations Convention on refugees
- the Berne Convention for the Conservation of European Wildlife
- the UN convention against torture
- the rigid social conventions of Victorian Britain
- Here we decided to break with convention.
- She is a lively young woman who enjoys flouting convention.
- The handshake is a social convention.
- The novel conforms to the conventions of nineteenth-century realism.
- The party's annual convention will be held on April 6.
- They showed a refreshing disrespect for convention.

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convention **W2 AC** /kən'venʃən/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun*

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: Latin *conventio*, from *convenire* ⇒ [†]*convenient*]

1. **[countable]** a large formal meeting for people who belong to the same profession or organization or who have the same interests:
 - a teachers' convention
 - the city's new convention center
 - a convention for science fiction fans
 2. **[countable]** a formal agreement, especially between countries, about particular rules or behaviour **SYN pact, treaty**
convention on
 - the European convention on human rights
 3. **[uncountable and countable]** behaviour and attitudes that most people in a society consider to be normal and right **SYN custom**:
 - Playing together teaches children social conventions such as sharing.
 - They defied the conventions of the time by living together without being married.
- by convention**
- By convention, the bride's father gives her away at her wedding.
4. **[countable]** a method or style often used in literature, art, the theatre etc to achieve a particular effect:
 - the conventions of the 19th-century novel
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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 3)

■ adjectives

- **a social/cultural convention** Each society has its own cultural conventions.
- **an established convention** (=one that has been used for a long time) There are established conventions for how you should end a letter.
- **an accepted convention** Saying 'thank you' and 'please' is an accepted convention.

■ verbs

- **defy convention** (=not do what is accepted or normal) At the time she was defying convention by living with a man.
- **follow convention** (=do what is accepted and normal) If everyone followed convention, the world would be a boring place.
- **conform to/adhere to convention** *formal* (=do what is accepted and normal) He'd always chosen not to conform to convention.
- **flout convention** (=deliberately not do what is accepted or normal) I was determined to flout convention when it came to the funeral arrangements.

■ phrases

- **a set of conventions** In the East you will have to learn a different set of conventions.
- **rules and conventions** Rules and conventions permeate the whole of social life.
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THESAURUS

- **meeting** an occasion when people meet in order to discuss something: a business meeting. | Mr Bell is in a meeting. | The committee will hold another meeting Wednesday.
- **conference** an organized event, especially one that continues for several days, at which a lot of people meet to discuss a particular subject and hear speeches about it: Didn't you give a talk at the conference last year? | a conference of women business leaders
- **convention** a large formal meeting of people who belong to a political party, or to an organization of people with the same interests: the Democratic Party Convention | a convention for Star Trek fans
- **rally** a large public meeting, especially one that is held outdoors to support or protest about something: There was a massive peace rally in London.
- **summit** a meeting between government leaders from important and powerful countries, to discuss important matters: A summit

meeting of OPEC leaders was called to find a solution to the oil crisis. | next week's economic summit

- **caucus** *American English* a local meeting of the members of a political party to choose people to represent them at a larger meeting, or to choose a candidate in an election: Obama won the Iowa caucus in 2007.
- **teleconference /video conference** a business meeting in which people in different places talk to each other using telephones or video equipment: The chairman held teleconferences with his senior managers.
- **gathering /get-together** a situation in which a group of people come together to meet, talk, and have drinks with each other, especially friends or family: We held a small family get-together to celebrate her birthday. | She arranged social gatherings in Kettering for young people on Saturday evenings.
- **date** an arrangement to meet someone who you are having, or hoping to have, a romantic relationship with: I think I might ask her out on a date.
- **rendezvous** a meeting where two people have arranged to meet at a particular time or place, often secretly: She arranged a rendezvous with him in the hotel bar.
- **tryst** *literary* a secret meeting between people who are having a romantic relationship: a good place for a moonlight tryst

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