

unusual

[ʌn'ju:|zʌəl,-{ʌn'ju:}z(ə)] *a*

1. **необыкновенный, необычный, особенный**
unusual event - необыкновенное событие
nothing unusual - ничего особенного
2. **замечательный, исключительный**
a man of unusual ability - человек исключительных способностей

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un·usual [unusual] *BrE* [ʌn'juː|uəl] *NAme* [ʌn'juː|uəl] *BrE* [ʌn'juː|uəl]

NAme [ʌn'juː|uəl] **adjective**

1. different from what is usual or normal

Syn: ↑uncommon

- **It's unusual** for the trees to flower so early.
- She has a very unusual name.
- It's **not unusual** for young doctors to work a 70-hour week (= it happens often) .

2. different from other similar things and therefore interesting and attractive

- an unusual colour

Example Bank:

- It was considered unusual for a woman to study medicine.
- It's not at all unusual to feel very tired in the early months of pregnancy.
- It's unusual for a woman to do this job.
- The arrival of a taxi was unusual enough; an unknown woman getting out of it was sensational.
- The organization is unusual in several respects.
- This is a highly unusual case.
- He's a man of unusual strength and courage.
- He's a writer with an unusual sensitivity to the differences between past and present.
- If you have an unusual hobby you would like to share with our readers, write to...
- It was unusual to see anyone out on the streets at this hour.
- It's highly unusual for her to be so late.
- It's not unusual for junior doctors to work 60 hours a week.
- It's unusual for apple trees to flower so early.
- The best teachers had enthusiasm and an unusual energy and commitment.
- The conference has generated an unusual degree of interest.
- The house has several unusual but interesting features.
- The island is a land of unusual beauty and vivid contrasts.
- The new chairman has an unusual breadth of experience.
- The painter reveals unusual skill in representing three-dimensional objects.
- The wine, with its deliciously mature, honeyed fruit, is an unusual bargain.
- What an unusual colour!

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different from what is usual or normal:

- " an unusual feature
- " unusual circumstances
- " It's unusual for Dave to be late.
- " It's not unusual (=it is quite common) to feel very angry in a situation like this.
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COLLOCATIONS

■ **adverbs**

- **very/most/highly unusual** Gandhi was a most unusual politician.
- **extremely unusual** We've not had any snow yet, which is extremely unusual.
- **rather/somewhat/quite/fairly unusual** The design of the house was somewhat unusual.

■ **phrases**

- **nothing unusual** There is nothing unusual about the arrangement.
- **something unusual** We want to know if anyone saw something unusual last night.
- **anything unusual** Did you notice anything unusual about him?
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THESAURUS

■ **events/situations**

- **unusual** different from what usually happens: We had snow in May, which is very unusual.
- **rare** not happening very often, or existing only in small numbers: Violent crimes are rare. | Hatton gathered many rare plants from all over the world.
- **exceptional** /ɪk'sepʃənəl/ very unusual and happening very rarely: 90-day visas can be extended only in exceptional circumstances. | The presence of a jury in a civil trial is now quite exceptional.
- **out of the ordinary** unusual and surprising or special: It was a small village where nothing out of the ordinary ever seemed to happen.

▪ **freak** extremely unusual and unexpected - used about an accident, storm etc: A freak wave wrecked most of the seafront. | Their car was crushed by a tree in a freak accident.

▪ **unprecedented** /ʌn'presədəntəd, ʌn'presidentəd/ if something is unprecedented, it has never happened before - often used about successes and achievements: An unprecedented number of students have received top grades. | This kind of deal is unprecedented.

▪ **unheard of** if something is unheard of, it has never happened or been done before - used especially when something seems very surprising to people at that time: In our small town, this kind of crime was almost unheard of. | unheard-of luxuries such as electric windows and air-conditioning

■ people /behaviour /methods etc

▪ **eccentric** behaving in a way that seems rather strange but not frightening: The house was owned by an eccentric millionaire. | eccentric behaviour

▪ **unconventional** very different from the way people usually behave, think, dress etc, often in a way that seems interesting: His parents had a rather unconventional lifestyle, and let their children do whatever they pleased. | His approach to business may seem unconventional, but he certainly gets results.

▪ **unorthodox** unorthodox ideas or methods are different from the usual ones, and therefore seem surprising to many people: He is known for his unorthodox political views. | unorthodox teaching methods

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