

important[ɪmˈpɔːt(ə)nt] *a*1. **важный, значительный, существенный**

a critically important decision - чрезвычайно важное решение

important amendment - существенная поправка

important persons - влиятельные/высокопоставленные/ лица

it is important for you to know it - важно, чтобы ты это знал

2. **разг. важничающий, напыщенный**

to look important - иметь важный вид, напускать на себя важность

important

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

im-port-ant *BrE* [ɪmˈpɔːtɪnt] ^u *NAmE* [ɪmˈpɔːrtɪnt] ^e **adjective**1. **having a great effect on people or things; of great value**

- an important decision/factor
- I have an important announcement to make.
- Money played an important role in his life.
- Listening is an important part of the job.
- one of the most important collections of American art
- **It is important to** follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- **It is important that** he attend every day.
- (BrE) **It is important that** he should attend every day.
- **It is important for** him **to** attend every day.
- ~ **(to sb)** It's very important to me that you should be there.
- **The important thing** is to keep trying.

2. **(of a person) having great influence or authority**

- an important member of the team
- He likes to feel important.

Derived Word ↑ **importantly**Word Origin:late Middle English: from medieval Latin **important-** 'being of consequence', from the verb **importare** 'bring in' (in medieval Latin 'imply, mean, be of consequence'), from **in-** 'in' + **portare** 'carry'.Thesaurus:**important** [important importantly] **adj.**

1.

- I have an important announcement to make.

significant • • **great** • • **crucial** • • **critical** • • **vital** • • **essential** • • **momentous** • |informal **big** • |formal **notable** •**Opp:** unimportant, **Opp:** trivialbe important/significant/crucial/critical/vital/essential **for/to** sb/sthbe important/significant/crucial/critical/vital/essential/notable **that...**important/significant/great/crucial/critical/vital/momentous/big/notable **events/changes/developments****Important or significant?** **Important** is a more general word. Things that are **significant** are important from a particular point of view, have been measured in some way, or are great in degree:

- These figures are statistically significant.

✗ **These figures are statistically important.:**

- a significant proportion of the population

✗ **an important proportion of the population**

2.

- Being a manager is an important job.

powerful • • **dominant** • • **influential** • • **great** • • **high-powered** • • **instrumental** • |approving **strong** •**Opp:** unimportantimportant/dominant/influential/instrumental **in** (doing) stha/an important/powerful/dominant/influential/great/strong **figure/leader /position**a/an important/powerful/dominant/great/strong **influence****Which word?** **Powerful** people such as politicians use their position to control events. **Influential** people change other people's opinions or behaviour because people respect and listen to them. **Important** people influence other people or events because people respect them or because their position means their actions have a great effect. **Strong** people are confident and have leadership qualities.Language Bank:**emphasis***Highlighting an important point*

- This case **emphasizes** ▪ / **highlights** ▪ the importance of honest communication between managers and employees.
- Effective communication skills are **essential** ▪ / **crucial** ▪ / **vital** ▪.

It should be noted that ▪ this study considers only verbal communication. Non-verbal communication is not dealt with here.**It is important to remember that** ▪ / **An important point to remember is that** ▪ non-verbal communication plays a key role in getting your message across.

- Communication is not only about the words you use but also your body language and, **especially** ▪ / **above all** ▪, the

effectiveness with which you listen.

- I would like to **draw attention to** the role of listening in effective communication.
- Choose your words carefully: **in particular** , avoid confusing and ambiguous language.
- Finally, and perhaps **most importantly** , you must learn to listen as well as to speak.

note at **essential**

Language Bank at **vital**

Example Bank:

- He made me feel important by asking me lots of questions about myself.
- It's important for you to understand this.
- Several factors make this painting uniquely important.
- Someone left a message for you— it sounded important.
- Spending time with my children is important to me.
- The work of the intelligence services was crucially important to victory in the war.
- These ideas are considered enormously important.
- These two factors are equally important.
- This is most important: you must deliver the letter to Johnson himself.
- This is what makes our work so important.
- an internationally important site for these rare birds
- historically important buildings
- Her management experience was an important factor in our decision to appoint her.
- It is important for him to attend every day.
- It is important to follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- It is one of the most important collections of American art.
- It's very important to me that you should be there.
- Many disabled people do now hold important jobs in industry.
- She is an important member of the team.
- The important thing is to keep trying.
- The media are important in forming public perceptions.

important

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im **por** **tant** **S1** **W1** /ɪm'pɔːtənt \$ -ɔːr/ **BrE** **AmE** adjective

[Word Family: noun: **importance**; adverb: **importantly**; adjective: **important** ≠ **unimportant**]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: Old Italian *importante* 'carrying a meaning, significant', from Latin *importare*; ⇒ **import**²]

1. an important event, decision, problem etc has a big effect or influence on people's lives or on events in the future:

- a very important meeting
- The accident taught him an important lesson.
- Happiness is more important than money.
- 'What did you say?' 'Oh, nothing important.'

it is important (to do something)

- It's important to explain the procedure to the patient.
- It's vitally **important** that you understand the danger.

important for

- It was important for the president to continue his schedule, regardless of the bomb threat.

important to

- Nothing could be more important to me than my family.

▶ When you mean that you care about something a lot, say that it is **important to** you, not that it is 'important for' you.

2. people who are important have a lot of power or influence:

- a very important customer
- They carry guns because it makes them **feel important**.

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- **important** having a big effect on people's lives or on events in the future: an important decision | Good qualifications are increasingly important.
- **big** important or serious: It's a big decision. | a big problem
- **significant** important enough to be noticeable or have a big effect: There is no significant difference between the performance of male and female students. | The Internet has brought about significant changes in people's lives.
- **noteworthy** *formal* important or interesting enough to deserve your attention: The castle is the island's most noteworthy feature. | The jury's verdict was noteworthy for a number of reasons.

very important

- **essential** very important, especially for the success, health, or safety of someone or something: It is essential to speak the local language. | essential supplies of food and clothing
- **vital/crucial** extremely important, because without it there could be serious problems: His evidence was vital to the case. | The US plays a crucial role in the region. | The media are a vital part of the political system.
- **key** extremely important and having a big effect: Wheeler had a key role in the development of the atom bomb. | Timing is key.
- **of great/considerable importance** very important: In the construction industry, health and safety are of considerable importance.
- **momentous** very important because it has a very great effect on the future: Momentous events were taking place in Russia. | a

momentous decision

■ **most important**

- **main/chief/principal** [only before noun] most important: What was your main aim? | the principal reason for their decision | the chief cause of the recession
- **major** [usually before noun] one of the most important or serious things: Smoking is a major cause of heart disease. | Street crime is a major problem.
- **central/primary** [usually before noun] most important – used especially when talking about the main thing that people are discussing, worried about, or trying to do: Education will be the central issue in the election. | Our primary concern is passenger safety.
- **paramount** /'pærəmaʊnt/ *formal* more important than anything else, so that you must consider it when deciding what to do: Airport security is of paramount importance. | The needs of the students are paramount.

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