

1. ['lev(ə)] *n*

## 1. 1) уровень

the level of the sea, sea level - уровень моря

the level of the coast [plateau] - высота берега [плато] над уровнем моря

level of significance - уровень значимости (в статистике)

level gauge - уровнемер

level indicator - *тех.* указатель горизонтального положения, указатель уровня

at the same level - на том же /таком же, одинаковом/ уровне

to be high above the level of the sea - находиться высоко над уровнем моря

to reduce to one level - довести до одного уровня

## 2) одинаковый уровень

on a level - на одном уровне [*ср. тж.* ◇ ]

on a level with the banks - уровень с берегами (*о разлившейся реке*)

to be on a level with smb. - а) находиться /стоять, быть/ на одном уровне с кем-л.; б) быть игроком одного класса с кем-л.

they are on a level mentally - они не уступают друг другу в уме, по уму они равны

## 3) ступень, степень; уровень

a high level of excellence - высокий уровень мастерства /совершенства/

on /at/ the highest level - а) на самом высоком уровне; на уровне глав правительств/государств/; б) в верхах, в высших сферах

on /at/ a low level - а) на низком уровне; б) в низших инстанциях

to rise to higher levels - подниматься на более высокую ступень, достигать более высокого уровня

to bring smb. to his level - поставить кого-л. на место; сбить спесь с кого-л.

acting on the level of amateurs - исполнение (роли) на любительском уровне

he is not of her level - он ей не пара

## 2. 1) плоскость, ровная горизонтальная поверхность; горизонтальная линия

the shining level of the lake - сияющая гладь озера

dead level - а) совершенно ровная однообразная местность; монотонный ландшафт; б) однообразие, монотонность; в) совершенно гладкая строго горизонтальная поверхность

2) (Level) равнина (*в географических названиях*)

Bedford [the Great] Level - Бедфордская [Великая] равнина

## 3) горизонтальное положение

4) (the level) *редк.* поверхность Земли3. 1) уровень (*инструмент*); ватерпас, нивелир

spirit level - спиртовой уровень

plumb level - уровень с отвесом

## 2) измерение уровня нивелиром

4. ряд (*в цирке, на стадионе*)5. *горн.*

## 1) этаж, горизонт

## 2) горизонтальная выработка, штольня

3) дренажная труба или канава (*в штольне*)6. *ав.* горизонтальный полёт (*тж.* level flight)

to give a level - перейти в горизонтальный полёт

7. *радио* уровень (*передачи*)8. *уст.* прицеливание

◇ on the level - а) честно; прямо, открыто, правдиво; б) честный, прямой, правдивый; [*ср. тж.* 1, 2)]

on the level! - честное слово!

is it on the level? - это правда?; ≅ а ты не врешь?

is he on the level? - ему можно верить?

to land on the street level - оказаться на улице (*потеряв работу*)

to find one's (own) level - найти себе равных; найти своё место (*в жизни, в науке*)

he has found his own level - он нашёл себе подходящих друзей

he found his level among the older students - он нашёл своё место /прижился/ среди учащихся постарше

let the child find his own level - ≅ не перегружай ребёнка, пусть он развивается естественно

2. ['lev(ə)] *a*

## 1. 1) ровный; плоский; горизонтальный

level road - ровная /гладкая/ дорога

level surface - ровная /плоская/ поверхность

level flyover - горизонтальный полёт

to make level - выравнивать, сглаживать

the prairies are vast stretches of nearly level land - прерии представляют собой обширные равнинные пространства

2) находящийся на одном уровне (*тж. перен.*)

to attempt no work that is not level with one's capacities, to apply oneself to that which is level to one's capacities - заниматься посильным делом

in the spring the rivers are often level with their bank - весной реки часто поднимаются до самых берегов

buildings whose roofs are level with one another - здания, крыши которых находятся на одном (и том же) уровне

3) *кул.* (полный) без верха

two level spoonfuls of sugar - две ложки сахара без верха

2. 1) равный, одинаковый; ровный, равномерный

level life - размеренная, спокойная жизнь

to speak in a level voice /in level tones/ - говорить ровным голосом /тоном/; не повышать голоса

to give smb. a level look - пристально посмотреть на кого-л.

2) *преим. спорт.* равный (по силе, подготовке и т. п.)

a level race - гонки равных противников

to be level with other runners - не отставать от других бегунов

3. уравновешенный; спокойный; ровный

a level appraisal of the situation - беспристрастная/объективная/ оценка положения

to have a level head - иметь спокойный /уравновешенный/ характер; быть рассудительным, быть хладнокровным

to keep a level head - сохранять спокойствие; не впадать в панику

◇ to do one's level best - сделать всё возможное, сделать всё от себя зависящее

3. ['lev(ə)] *adv*

ровно; вровень; наравне

to fill a basin level with the brim - наполнить таз до краёв

to run level with another - бежать вровень с кем-л.; не отставать от кого-л.

to draw level with the other runners - догнать других бегунов

4. ['lev(ə)] *v*

1. выравнивать, делать ровным, гладким (*мж.* level off)

to level a road - выровнять дорогу

to level the tennis court with a roller - укатать корт катком

2. 1) приводить в горизонтальное положение

2) наводить (оружие), нацеливать; направлять (удар и т. п. против кого-л.)

to level one's gun at a tiger - прицелиться в тигра

3) направлять, бросать

to level looks /eyes/ on smb., smth. - бросать взгляды на кого-л., что-л.

to level an accusation at /against/ smb. - выдвинуть обвинение против кого-л.

3. 1) сровнять с землёй; полностью уничтожить

to level a building with the ground - снести дом до основания

the city was levelled by one atomic bomb - город был стёрт с лица земли одной единственной атомной бомбой

2) *редк.* сбить с ног; свалить на землю

4. нивелировать, уравнивать, сглаживать различия

death levels all men - перед смертью все равны

5. *геод.* определять разность высот, нивелировать

6. *лингв.* сводить два или несколько звуков к одному

7. (with) *сл.* говорить правду; быть откровенным или честным (с кем-л.)

## level

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**level** [level levels levelled leveled levelling leveling] *noun, adjective, verb BrE*

['levl] *NAmE* ['levl]

*noun*

### AMOUNT

1. *countable* the amount of sth that exists in a particular situation at a particular time

- a test that checks the level of alcohol in the blood
- a relatively **low/high level** of crime
- **low/high** pollution **levels**
- Profits were **at the** same **level** as the year before.

### STANDARD

2. *countable, uncountable* a particular standard or quality

- a **high level of** achievement
- a computer game with 15 levels
- What is the level of this course?
- He studied French to **degree level**.
- Both players are **on a level** (= of the same standard).
- I refuse to **sink to their level** (= behave as badly as them).

**see also** ↑A level, ↑entry-level

### RANK IN SCALE

3. *uncountable, countable* a position or rank in a scale of size or importance

- a decision taken at board level
- Discussions are currently being held at national level.

### POINT OF VIEW

4. *countable* a particular way of looking at, reacting to or understanding sth

- On a more personal level, I would like to thank Jean for all the help she has given me.
- Fables can be understood on various levels.

## HEIGHT

**5. countable, uncountable** the height of sth in relation to the ground or to what it used to be

- the level of water in the bottle
- The cables are buried one metre below **ground level** .
- The floodwater nearly reached roof level.
- The tables are not **on a level** (= the same height) .

**see also** ↑eye level, ↑sea level

## FLOOR/LAYER

**6. countable** a floor of a building; a layer of ground

- The library is all on one level.
- Archaeologists found pottery in the lowest level of the site.
- a multi-level parking lot

**see also** ↑split-level

## TOOL

**7. countable** = ↑spirit level

### Word Origin:

Middle English (denoting an instrument to determine whether a surface is horizontal): from Old French *livei*, based on Latin *libella*, diminutive of *libra* ‘**scales, balance**’ .

### Thesaurus:

**level** noun

#### 1. C

- Another cause for concern is the rising level of crime.

**degree** • **extent** • **scale** • **size** • **proportions** • |formal **magnitude** •  
the **true** level/extent/size

**assess/judge** the level/degree/extent/scale/size/magnitude of sth

**realize** the level/degree/extent/scale/size of sth

#### 2. C, U

- These students have a high level of language ability.

**standard** • **grade** • **quality** • |BrE **calibre** • |AmE **caliber** •

**be of a/the ... level/standard/grade/quality/calibre**

**high/highest/low** level/standard/grade/quality/calibre

**raise/improve** the level/standard/quality/calibre of sth

#### 3. C

- He promised reforms at all levels of government

**rank** • **grade** • **position** • **class** • **status** •

sb's level/rank/class/position/status **in/within** sth

a/the **low/lower** level/rank/grade/position/class/status

a/the **high/higher** level/rank/grade/position/status

a/the **senior** level/rank/grade/position

#### 4. C

- The library is all on one level

**floor** • **deck** • **tier** • |especially BrE **storey** • |AmE usually **story** •

**on the top, etc.** level/floor/deck/tier/storey

the **top/upper/lower** level/floor/deck/tier/storey

### Example Bank:

- 200 m above sea level
- Are we on the right level for the restaurant?
- At a conscious level, I was quite satisfied with my life.
- At the local level there's a lot to be said for the plan.
- Crime has reached its highest level ever.
- Emissions are well below the levels set by the WHO.
- Excessive levels of lead were found in the water.
- He rose to the level of general manager.
- He's reading at grade level.
- Her blood pressure has returned to its normal level.
- Her illness has reached an advanced level.
- His English is way above the level of the other students.
- Industrial output has reached record levels.
- It's time to take my career to the next level.
- Mortgage rates were 10% above their current level.
- On a superficial level everything appears to be in order, but at a deeper level you can see that there's a lot wrong.
- On the second floor you are on a level with the treetops.
- Radiation is well below the permitted level.
- Rents will be kept at this level for another year.

- She has played tennis at a high level.
- She predicts that fuel prices will remain at current levels.
- Take the elevator to Level Four.
- The book is not suitable for students below degree level.
- The difficulty level of the exercises in the book varies widely.
- The party needs to win support at grass-roots level.
- The plane was flying at a very low level.
- The teaching is at quite a basic level.
- The thing has got to be organized on an international level.
- The water rose to the level of the ground floor windows.
- There will be stiff penalties if companies exceed these levels of pollution.
- These decisions are made at board level.
- They are going to raise the level of the banks to prevent flooding.
- They have a good range of entry-level computers for beginners.
- They have achieved higher levels of efficiency.
- They were asked to indicate the level of distress they experienced as a result of their experiences.
- They work hard, but with varying levels of success.
- We probably need to look at this problem at a more detailed level.
- You need to do all three levels to qualify as a canteen supervisor.
- a generous level of financial support for the arts
- a shelf at eye level
- a sport suitable for people of all fitness levels
- an acceptable level of risk
- below the level of the cloud
- keen amateurs who work hard, with varying levels of success
- language students at different levels of proficiency
- permitted levels of chemical pollutants
- students at intermediate level
- students who have reached the intermediate level
- the problem of rising sea levels
- the upper levels of the civil service
- the worst level of business failure since 1997
- Another cause for concern is the rising level of crime.
- He has reached an advanced level in his studies.
- He promised reforms at all levels of government
- High stress levels will affect employees' productivity.
- It's people at the lower levels within the company that will lose their jobs.
- Most of these students have a high level of language ability.
- On a more personal level, I would like to thank Jean for all the help she has given me.
- Remember that we parked on level 5.
- She reached a very high level at a very young age.
- She studied psychology at degree level.
- Standards of hygiene are at a fairly low level.
- The aim is to reduce pollution levels in the city.
- The decision is being made at top level.
- The school offers classes at all levels from beginner to advanced
- There is a lot of corruption at a local level.
- These cities have relatively low levels of unemployment.
- This computer game has fifteen levels.
- a test to check the level of alcohol in the blood

Idioms: ↑do your level best ▪ ↑level pegging ▪ ↑level playing field ▪ ↑level the playing field ▪ ↑on the level

Derived ↑level off ▪ ↑level something at somebody ▪ ↑level something down ▪ ↑level something up ▪ ↑level with somebody

adjective

## FLAT

### 1. having a flat surface that does not slope

- Pitch the tent on level ground.
- Add a **level tablespoon** of flour (= enough to fill the spoon but not so much that it goes above the level of the edge of the spoon).

**compare** ↑heaped

## EQUAL

### 2. having the same height, position, value, etc. as sth

- Are these pictures level?
- ~ **with sth** This latest rise is intended to keep wages level with inflation.
- She **drew level with** (= came beside) the police car.

### 3. ~ (with sb) (especially BrE, sport) having the same score as sb

- A good second round brought him level with the tournament leader.
- France took an early lead but Wales soon **drew level** (= scored the same number of points).

## VOICE/LOOK

4. not showing any emotion; steady

**Syn:** †even

- a level gaze

**see also** †levelly

### Word Origin:

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### Thesaurus:

**level** *adj.*

1.

- Pitch the tent on level ground.

**flat** • • **horizontal** • |often approving **smooth** •

**Opp:** uneven **Opp:** bumpy

a level/flat/smooth/horizontal **surface**

a level/flat/smooth **road/floor**

level/flat **ground**

**Level or flat?** **Level** is used most often with the words **ground** and **floor**; **flat** is used more to talk about surfaces that are not rounded or landscapes that do not have any hills

- a flat base/stomach/surface

- flat land

- a flat landscape/field/plateau

2. **not before noun** (especially BrE)

- The clubs are level on points.

**even** • • **neck and neck** •

level/neck and neck **with sb**

### Example Bank:

- Keep the pot level, or you'll spill the coffee.
- Make sure you get the shelf level before screwing it in.
- The floor has got to be absolutely level.
- The top of the water came level with her chin.
- Add a level tablespoon of flour.
- France took an early lead but Wales soon drew level.
- He went into the last match on level points with Jones.
- The clubs are level on points.
- The score was level at 5 points each.

verb (-ll-, especially US -l-)

## MAKE FLAT

1. **transitive** ~ **sth (off/out)** to make sth flat or smooth

- If you're laying tiles, the floor will need to be levelled first.

## DESTROY

2. **transitive** ~ **sth** to destroy a building or a group of trees completely by knocking it down

**Syn:** †raze

- The blast levelled several buildings in the area.

## MAKE EQUAL

3. **transitive, intransitive** ~ **(sth)** to make sth equal or similar: (BrE) Davies levelled the score at 2 all.

## POINT

4. **transitive** ~ **sth (at sb)** to point sth, especially a gun, at sb

- I had a gun levelled at my head.

**Verb forms:**

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	level
	BrE / 'levl/
	NAme / 'levl/
he / she / it	levels
	BrE / 'levlz/
	NAme / 'levlz/
past simple, past participle	levelled (especially US) leveled
	BrE / 'levld/
	NAme / 'levld/
-ing form	levelling (especially US) leveling
	BrE / 'levlɪŋ/
	NAme / 'levlɪŋ/

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## Example Bank:

- Bulldozers are now waiting to level their home.
- She brought her right hand from behind her and levelled the pistol.
- She levelled the gun at his head.

See also: ↑on the up and up

## level

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### I. **lev** **el** <sup>1</sup> **S1 W1** /'level/ **BrE** <sup>°</sup> **AmE** <sup>°</sup> **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: live, from Latin libella, from libra 'weight, balance']

#### 1. **AMOUNT** the amount or degree of something, compared to another amount or degree:

▪ Inflation fell to its lowest level in 30 years.

#### level of

▪ Increased supplies are needed to meet the level of demand.

▪ Dolphins show a high level of intelligence.

#### 2. **STANDARD** a particular standard of skill or ability, for example in education or sport

#### at ... level

▪ Students at this level may have problems with basic grammar.

▪ What level do you think you're at?

#### beginner/advanced/national etc level

▪ Few athletes can compete at international level.

▪ an advanced-levelcoursebook ⇒ ↑A level

#### 3. **HEIGHT** the height of something in relation to the ground or to another object

#### at ... level

▪ Your arms should be at the same level as your desk.

#### eye/knee/shoulder etc level (=the same height as your eyes etc)

▪ Skirts this year are just aboveknee level.

#### water/oil etc level (=the height of the water etc from the ground or the bottom of a container)

▪ Check the water level in the car radiator. ⇒ ↑ground level, ↑sea level

#### 4. **FLOOR/GROUND** a floor or area of ground that is at a particular height, especially when you can go up or down to other floors or areas

#### on ... level

▪ Didn't we park the car on Level 2?

▪ The town is built on different levels.

▪ The medical center is on one level (=so that you do not have to go up or down). ⇒ ↑split-level

#### 5. **RANK OF JOB** a particular position in a system that has different ranks of importance

#### at ... level

▪ Training is offered at each level in the department.

#### at board/management/senior etc level

▪ Further talks at ministerial level were held. ⇒ ↑high-level, ↑low-level

#### 6. **WAY OF UNDERSTANDING** a way of considering or understanding something

#### on ... level

▪ The story can be understood on many different levels.

#### on a personal/practical/superficial etc level

▪ I agree with you, but only on a theoretical level.

#### 7. **at local/state/national etc level** happening within a small area or the whole area of a state, country etc:

▪ These changes are taking place at regional level.

#### 8. **be on the level** *informal* to be honest and legal:

▪ This is all on the level, right?

#### 9. **descend/sink to sb's level** to behave as badly as someone:

▪ If you hit him back, you'll only be descending to his level.

#### 10. **TOOL** a tool used for checking that a surface is flat **SYN spirit-level**

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ **ADJECTIVES/NOUN + level**

▪ **high** The level of salt in his diet was too high.

▪ **low** The level of violent crime is lower than ten years ago.

▪ **a record level** (=the highest ever level) Sales have reached record levels.

▪ **noise/pollution levels** Noise levels are unacceptably high.

▪ **price/income/wage levels** Wage levels had failed to keep up with inflation.

▪ **stresslevel** I find exercise helps with my stress levels.

▪ **energy/fitness level** Her fitness level is better than that of most 20-year-olds.

### ■ **verbs**

▪ **a level rises/goes up/increases** The level of unemployment has increased.

- **a level falls/goes down/decreases** Pollution levels have fallen slightly.
- **achieve/reach a level** China's imports of wheat reached record levels.
- **remain/stay at a level** The fees are likely to remain at current levels.
- **maintain a level** It's difficult to maintain the same level of physical fitness.
- **increase a level** Healthy eating can increase your energy level.
- **reduce a level** He made an effort to reduce his stress levels.

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## THESAURUS

- **amount** how much of something there is: Try to reduce the amount of fat in your diet. | a tiny amount of poison
- **quantity** a particular amount of food, liquid, or another substance that can be measured – used especially in written descriptions and instructions: Make sure that you add the right quantity of milk. | They buy the wood in large quantities.
- **volume** the amount of something such as business activity or traffic, especially when this is large or increasing: The volume of traffic on our roads has risen sharply. | the huge volume of trade with China
- **level** the exact amount of something at one time, which can go up or down at other times: They measured the level of alcohol in his blood. | There is a high level of unemployment.
- **proportion** the amount of something, compared with the whole amount that exists: the proportion of road accidents caused by drunk drivers | A high proportion of the students were from poor families.
- **quota** a maximum amount of something that can be produced, sold, brought into a country etc: import quotas on Japanese cars
- **yield** /jɪld/ the amount of something that is produced, especially crops: this year's cotton yield

## II. level<sup>2</sup> S1 W2 BrE<sup>u</sup> AmE<sup>u</sup> adjective

### 1. flat and not sloping in any direction:

- The floors in the old house were not completely level.
- a level surface suitable for wheelchairs

### 2.

#### a) two things that are level are at the same height as each other

##### level with

- Your eyes should be level with the top of the screen.
- The curtains aren't quite level.

#### b) *British English* two sports teams, competitors etc that are level have the same number of points

##### level with

- Before the weekend, Madrid was level with Barcelona.
- They finished level with ten points each. ⇒ ↑level-pegging

#### c) having the same value or position as something or someone else

##### level with

- Borrowing rates rose to over 8%, roughly level with those in America.
- He cycled along beside her, keeping level.

### 3. a level playing field a situation in which different people, companies, countries etc can all compete fairly because no one has special advantages:

- Small businesses want to compete on a level playing field with larger ones.

### 4. do your level best (to do something) to try as hard as possible to do something:

- I'll do my level best to help you.

### 5. level voice/look/gaze a steady voice, look etc that shows you are calm or determined

### 6. level teaspoon/cup etc (of something) an amount of a substance that fills a spoon, cup etc to the top but no more, used as a measure in cooking ⇒ heaped :

- Add one level teaspoon of salt. ⇒ draw level at ↑draw<sup>1</sup>(11)

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## THESAURUS

- **flat** on one level, without any holes or raised areas, and not sloping or curving: a flat roof | a flat screen | Before you lay the tiles, make sure that the ground is completely flat.
- **level** not sloping in any direction, so that every part is at the same height: Is the top of this picture level? | After four hours coming down the mountain, I was glad to be back on level ground.
- **smooth** without any holes or raised areas – used especially when saying how something feels when you touch it: her lovely smooth skin | I ran my hand across the animal's smooth fur.
- **even** without any holes or raised areas: Apply the paint to an even surface. | Be careful – the path is not very even here.
- **horizontal** going straight across and not sloping: a horizontal line | Raise both arms to a horizontal position.

## III. level<sup>3</sup> BrE<sup>u</sup> AmE<sup>u</sup> verb (past tense and past participle levelled, present participle levelling *British English*, leveled, leveling *American English*)

### 1. [transitive] (also level something ↔ off/out) to make something flat and smooth:

- Workers leveled the wet concrete with a piece of wood.
- Cover with a layer of sand and level it off.

### 2. [transitive] to knock down or destroy a building or area completely:

- Bombs levelled a large part of the town.

### 3. [intransitive and transitive] *British English* to make the score in a game or competition equal:

- He slipped the ball into the net to level the score at 1/1.
- United went ahead but the visitors levelled in the 73rd minute.

### 4. level the playing field to make a situation in which people are competing fair, with no one having special advantages

### 5. level criticism/charges/accusations etc at/against somebody to aim criticism etc at a particular person, country etc, especially publicly:

- the criticism levelled at the United States

Serious allegations were levelled against the minister.

**level something at somebody/something** *phrasal verb*

to aim something such as a weapon at someone or something:

" Slowly he levelled his gun at the tiger.

**level off/out** *phrasal verb*

1. to stop going up or down and continue at the same height:

" After climbing steeply, the path levelled off.

" The plane levelled out at 30,000 feet.

2. to stop rising or falling and become steady:

" Inflation has begun to level off.

3. **level something** ↔ **off/out** to make something flat and smooth

**level with somebody** *phrasal verb informal*

to speak honestly to someone, after hiding some unpleasant facts from them:

" She decided to level with him and tell him how she felt.

⇒ **be on the level** at ↑[level](#)<sup>1</sup>(8)

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**level**

Freakuency Pack

12500 **255**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **352**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **1k LEVEL** <sup>137706</sup>

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levelling <sup>40</sup>

leveled <sup>1682</sup>

leveler <sup>53</sup>

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758 **23690**<sup>828</sup> *vvi*

639 **25656**<sup>726</sup> *vv0*

168 **54167**<sup>192</sup> *nnu*

7 **319141**<sup>7</sup> *rr*

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