

**detect**

[dɪ'tekt] *v*

1. 1) открывать, находить, обнаруживать  
to detect the murderer - найти убийцу  
to detect smb. in the act - поймать кого-л. с поличным, застать кого-л. на месте преступления
- 2) расследовать (*преступление*)
2. замечать, обнаруживать  
to detect a smell - уловить запах  
to detect a sound [a noise] - услышать звук [шум]  
to detect several mistakes - заметить несколько ошибок  
to detect a leakage of gas - обнаружить утечку газа  
to detect a trace of irony in her voice - уловить иронические нотки в её голосе
3. *эл. , элк.* выпрямлять, детектировать
4. *спец.* обнаруживать, регистрировать, детектировать

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**de-tect** *AW* [detect detects detected detecting] *BrE* [dɪ'tekt] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [dɪ'tekt]

*u* **verb** ~ sth

to discover or notice sth, especially sth that is not easy to see, hear, etc

- The tests are designed to detect the disease early.
- an instrument that can detect small amounts of radiation
- Do I detect a note of criticism?

Derived Word ↑**detectable**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	detect
	BrE /dɪ'tekt/
	NAmE /dɪ'tekt/
he / she / it	detects
	BrE /dɪ'tektz/
	NAmE /dɪ'tektz/
past simple, past participle	detected
	BrE /dɪ'tektɪd/
	NAmE /dɪ'tektɪd/
-ing form	detecting
	BrE /dɪ'tektɪŋ/
	NAmE /dɪ'tektɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **detect-** 'uncovered', from the verb **detegere**, from **de-** (expressing reversal) + **tegere** 'to cover'. The original senses were 'uncover, expose' and 'give someone away', later 'expose the real or hidden nature of'; hence the current senses (partly influenced by ↑**detective**).

Synonyms:

**notice**

note • detect • observe • witness

These words all mean to see sth, especially when you pay careful attention to it.

**notice** • to see, hear or become aware of sb/sth; to pay attention to sb/sth: ▫ The first thing I noticed about the room was the smell.

**note** • (rather formal) to notice or pay careful attention to sth: ▫ Please note (that) the office will be closed on Monday.

This word is very common in business English: ▫ Note that the prices are inclusive of VAT.

**detect** • to discover or notice sth, especially sth that is not easy to see, hear, etc: ▫ The tests are designed to detect the disease early.

**observe** • (formal) to see or notice sb/sth: ▫ Have you observed any changes lately? ◇▫ The police observed a man enter the bank.

**witness** • (rather formal) to see sth happen: ▫ Police have appealed for anyone who witnessed the incident to contact them.

to notice/note/detect/observe **that/how/what/where/who...**

to notice/observe/witness **sth happen/sb do sth**

Example Bank:

- Some cancers can now be cured if they are detected early.
- Some substances can be detected fairly easily.
- The test failed to detect any illegal substances.
- a machine that is sensitive enough to detect tiny amounts of explosives
- Do I detect a note of criticism in your voice?
- These creatures are so small they would be impossible to detect with the human eye.
- This is an instrument that can detect very small amounts of radiation.

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[Word Family: noun: ↑detection, ↑detective; verb: ↑detect; adjective: ↑detectable ≠INDETECTIBLE]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: detectus, past participle of detegere 'to uncover]

to notice or discover something, especially something that is not easy to see, hear etc:

" Many forms of cancer can be cured if detected early.

difficult/impossible/easy/possible etc to detect

detect a change/difference

" Dan detected a change in her mood.

detect a note of sarcasm/irony/excitement etc

" Do I detect a note of sarcasm in your voice?

—detectable adjective

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### THESAURUS

- **notice** to realize that something is there or that something is happening, because you can see, hear, or feel it: I noticed that he was rather quiet during dinner. | Children don't seem to notice the cold. | 'Julie's home.' 'Yes, I noticed her bicycle outside.'
- **detect** to notice something that is difficult to see, hear etc because it is very small, faint, or unclear. **Detect** is used about people and machines, and is more formal than **notice**: X-ray telescopes can now detect virtually every type of astronomical object. | He thought he detected a flicker of interest in her eyes.
- **spot** to notice something, especially something that is difficult to see or that you see for a short time only. **Spot** is more informal than **notice**: Can you spot the difference between these two pictures? | I'm glad you spotted the mistake before it was too late.
- **become aware /conscious** to gradually begin to notice that something is happening or is true: I became aware that Mum was getting a lot older. | Tessa became conscious of a feeling of guilt.
- **can tell** to be able to notice something because you can see, smell, hear it etc: I could tell that she had been drinking. | Can you tell I've lost weight?
- **something/somebody catches your eye** used to say that you suddenly notice something or someone because they are interesting, attractive, or good at something: I saw this shirt in the shop window and it just caught my eye. | Clarke caught the eye of boss Bryan Robson when he scored for Newry last week.
- **observe formal** to notice something as a result of watching or studying it closely: Psychologists observed that the mice became more aggressive in smaller cages.
- **perceive formal** to notice something, especially that something is happening, or is true, or needs to be done: The company quickly perceived the need for change. | Doctors perceive that they do not have adequate time to spend with their patients.
- **witness** to see something happen because you are there at the time: People have witnessed some great economic changes during the last ten years.
- **miss** to not notice something because it is difficult to see: It's easy to miss the entrance – the sign is hidden behind a tree.

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 15000 **1350**<sup>COCA</sup>  
 RANGE: **2k** DETECT <sup>31807</sup>  
 detect <sup>5885</sup>  
 detectable <sup>678</sup>  
 detected <sup>4650</sup>  
 detecting <sup>1380</sup>  
 detection <sup>3701</sup>  
 detective <sup>6737</sup>  
 detectives <sup>2948</sup>  
 detector <sup>2256</sup>  
 detectors <sup>2083</sup>  
 detects <sup>581</sup>  
 undetected <sup>638</sup>  
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