

Intrigue

1. [ɪnˈtriːɡ] *n*
 1. интрига; происки, махинации, козни
a passion for intrigue - страсть к интриганству
 2. тайная любовная связь; интрижка
 3. сочетание дамы и валета (в некоторых карточных играх)
 4. сюжет, сюжетная линия, интрига
2. [ɪnˈtriːɡ] *v*
 1. интриговать, вести интриги; заниматься происками, махинациями; строить козни; организовывать тайные заговоры
to intrigue with smb. against smb. - строить козни совместно с кем-л. против кого-л.
 2. 1) заинтриговывать, заинтересовывать, увлекать
his remark intrigued me - его замечание заинтриговало меня
 - 2) редк. озадачивать; сбивать с толку, вводить в заблуждение
 3. иметь тайную любовную связь (с кем-л.)

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in-trigue [intrigue intrigues intrigued intriguing] **verb, noun**

verb BrE [ɪnˈtriːɡ] ; NAmE [ɪnˈtriːɡ]

1. **transitive, often passive** ~ sb | **it intrigues sb that...** to make sb very interested and want to know more about sth
 - The idea intrigued her.
 - You've really intrigued me— tell me more!
2. **intransitive** ~ (with sb) (against sb) (formal) to secretly plan with other people to harm sb

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	intrigue
	BrE /ɪnˈtriːɡ/
	NAmE /ɪnˈtriːɡ/
he / she / it	intrigues
	BrE /ɪnˈtriːɡz/
	NAmE /ɪnˈtriːɡz/
past simple, past participle	intrigued
	BrE /ɪnˈtriːɡd/
	NAmE /ɪnˈtriːɡd/
-ing form	intriguing
	BrE /ɪnˈtriːɡɪŋ/
	NAmE /ɪnˈtriːɡɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- It really intrigues me— tell me more!
- There was something about him that intrigued her.

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1. **uncountable** the activity of making secret plans in order to achieve an aim, often by tricking people
 - political intrigue
 - The young heroine steps into a web of intrigue in the academic world.
2. **countable** a secret plan or relationship, especially one which involves sb else being tricked
 - I soon learnt about all the intrigues and scandals that went on in the little town.
 - Sexual intrigues were almost part of the culture of high politics.
3. **uncountable** the atmosphere of interest and excitement that surrounds sth secret or important
 - North was a man who added to the intrigue of meetings.

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- The prime minister engaged in political intrigues against the king.
- a tale of treachery and court intrigue
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- Political intrigue and prejudice are prevalent here.

intrigueI. **in** **trigue**¹ /ɪn'triːɡ/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ **verb**

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: French; Origin: intriguer, from Italian intrigare, from Latin intricare; ⇨ ↑intricate]

1. **[transitive]** if something intrigues you, it interests you a lot because it seems strange or mysterious:

Other people's houses always intrigued her.

2. **[intransitive] formal** to make secret plans to harm someone or make them lose their position of power**intrigue against**

While King Richard was abroad, the barons had been intriguing against him.

II. **in** **trigue**² /'ɪntriːɡ/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ **noun****[uncountable and countable]** the making of secret plans to harm someone or make them lose their position of power, or a plan of this kind:It's an exciting story of political intrigue and murder.a web of intrigue (=complicated set of secret plans)**intrigue of**

the political intrigues of the capital

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