

absorb[əb'zɔ:b, əb'sɔ:b] *v*

- всасывать, впитывать; поглощать; абсорбировать
to absorb heat - поглощать тепло
the sponge absorbed the spilled milk - пролитое молоко впиталось в губку
- поглощать; включать в своё число, присоединять; принимать
large companies absorb smaller ones - крупные компании поглощают мелкие
the capacity of a country to absorb immigrants - способность страны принимать иммигрантов
- поглощать, захватывать (внимание)
his work absorbed him - работа увлекла /захватила/ его
absorbed in reading [in a book] - поглощённый /захваченный/ чтением [книгой]
absorbed in thought /in one's own thoughts/ - погружённый в мысли /в размышления/
- понимать, постигать, улавливать, схватывать
to absorb the full meaning of a remark - полностью осознать смысл (сделанного) замечания
- оплачивать, брать на себя (*расходы*)
the company will absorb all the research costs - компания оплатит все расходы на научные исследования
- вынести, выдержать; переносить
the boxer absorbed the punches without buckling - боксёр устоял на ногах; боксёр хорошо держал удар
- mex.* амортизировать (*толчки*)

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ab·sorb [absorb absorbs absorbed absorbing] *BrE* [əb'sɔ:ɹɪ] *NAmE* [əb'sɔ:rɪ]
BrE [əb'zɔ:ɹɪ] *NAmE* [əb'zɔ:rɪ] *verb*

LIQUID/GAS

- to take in a liquid, gas or other substance from the surface or space around
 - ~ **sth** Plants absorb oxygen.
 - Let the rice cook until it has absorbed all the water.
 - ~ **sth into sth** The cream is easily absorbed into the skin.

MAKE PART OF STH LARGER

- often passive* to make sth smaller become part of sth larger
 - ~ **sth** The country simply cannot absorb this influx of refugees.
 - ~ **sth into sth** The surrounding small towns have been absorbed into the city.

INFORMATION

- ~ **sth** to take sth into the mind and learn or understand it
Syn: take in
 - It's a lot of information to absorb all at once.
 - It took me several days to absorb the fact of her death.
 - They spent a week in Paris just absorbing the atmosphere.

INTEREST SB

- ~ **sb** to interest sb very much so that they pay no attention to anything else
Syn: †engross
 - This work had absorbed him for several years.

HEAT/LIGHT/ENERGY

- ~ **sth** to take in and keep heat, light, energy, etc. instead of reflecting it
 - Black walls absorb a lot of heat during the day.

SHOCK/IMPACT

- ~ **sth** to reduce the effect of a blow, hit, etc.
 - This tennis racket absorbs shock on impact.
 - The bats have graphite shafts that absorb the vibration.**see also** †shock absorber

MONEY/TIME/CHANGES

- ~ **sth** to use up a large supply of sth, especially money or time
 - The new proposals would absorb \$80 billion of the federal budget.
- ~ **sth** to deal with changes, effects, costs, etc.
 - The company is unable to absorb such huge losses.

Verb forms:

verb form	
present simple	absorb
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he / she / it	absorbs
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past simple, past participle	absorbed
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Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **absorbere**, from **ab-** 'from' + **sorbere** 'suck in'.

Example Bank:

- Concrete absorbs very little moisture.
- He stood still, absorbing every detail of the scene.
- His work absorbed him completely.
- It was great to sit back and absorb the atmosphere.
- Nutrients are absorbed into the bloodstream.
- The information is presented so that it can be readily absorbed.
- These committees were gradually absorbed into the local government machine.
- My work absorbs a great deal of my time.
- She was completely absorbed in the task.
- The new proposals would absorb \$80 million of the federal budget.
- The work had absorbed him for several years.

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ab **sorb** **W3** /əb'sɔːb, əb'zɔːb/ **BrE** **AmE** **verb** [transitive]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: absorber, from Latin absorbere, from ab- 'away' + sorbere 'to suck up']

1. LIQUID/GAS to take in liquid, gas, or another substance from the surface or space around something:

* Plants absorb nutrients from the soil.

absorb something into something

* Water and salts are absorbed into our blood stream.

2. INFORMATION to read or hear a large amount of new information and understand it:

* Her capacity to absorb information is amazing.

3. INTEREST to interest someone so much that they do not pay attention to other things:

* The movement and noise of the machines absorbed him completely.

be absorbed in something

* Judith lay on the settee, absorbed in her book.

4. BECOME PART OF SOMETHING to become part of something larger:

* California absorbs many of the legal immigrants to the US.

be absorbed into something

* We were soon absorbed into local village life.

5. LIGHT/HEAT/ENERGY/NOISE if something absorbs light, heat, energy, or noise, it takes it in:

* Darker surfaces absorb heat.

6. DEAL WITH CHANGE/COSTS if something absorbs changes or costs, it accepts them and deals with them successfully:

* The beer industry had absorbed a doubling of federal tax in 1991.

7. MONEY/TIME if something absorbs money, time etc, it uses a lot of it:

* Defence spending absorbs almost 20% of the country's wealth.

8. FORCE to reduce the effect of a sudden violent movement:

* A well-designed sports shoe should absorb the impact on your feet.

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