

**encounter****1.** [ɪn'kʌvntə] *n*

1. (неожиданная) встреча
2. столкновение; схватка, стычка
3. дуэль; состязание; турнир
4. *спорт.* встреча, схватка
5. *физ.* столкновение, соударение (*частиц*)
6. *арх.* любовное свидание

**2.** [ɪn'kʌvntə] *v*

1. (неожиданно) встретить  
to encounter an old acquaintance - случайно встретить старого знакомого
2. иметь столкновение, стычку; встретиться (*в бою и т. п.*)  
we will encounter the enemy at dawn - на рассвете мы встретимся с противником
3. наталкиваться (*на трудности и т. п.*)  
we encounter so many problems in our work - мы сталкиваемся в своей работе с многочисленными проблемами
4. *спорт.* встретиться (*с противником*); провести схватку
5. *физ.* сталкиваться, соударяться (*о частицах*)

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**en-coun-ter** AW [encounter encounters encountered encountering] **verb, noun**BrE [ɪn'kʌntə(r)] <sup>1</sup> NAmE [ɪn'kʌntər] <sup>2</sup>**verb**

- 1.** ~ **sth** to experience sth, especially sth unpleasant or difficult, while you are trying to do sth else

**Syn:** meet with, **Syn:** run into

- We encountered a number of difficulties in the first week.
- I had never encountered such resistance before.

- 2.** ~ **sb/sth** (*formal*) to meet sb, or discover or experience sth, especially sb/sth new, unusual or unexpected

**Syn:** ↑come across

- She was the most remarkable woman he had ever encountered.

**Verb forms:**

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	encounter
	BrE /ɪn'kʌntə(r)/
	NAmE /ɪn'kʌntər/
he / she / it	encounters
	BrE /ɪn'kʌntəz/
	NAmE /ɪn'kʌntərz/
past simple, past participle	encountered
	BrE /ɪn'kʌntəd/
	NAmE /ɪn'kʌntəd/
-ing form	encountering
	BrE /ɪn'kʌntərɪŋ/
	NAmE /ɪn'kʌntərɪŋ/

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**Example Bank:**

- Walrus were commonly encountered in the Shetland Islands until quite recently.
- What are the difficulties you are most likely to encounter?
- an idea I first encountered when I was in the army

**noun**

- 1.** a meeting, especially one that is sudden, unexpected or violent
  - ~ (**with sb/sth**) Three of them were killed in the subsequent encounter with the police.
  - ~ (**between A and B**) The story describes the extraordinary encounter between a man and a dolphin.
  - a chance encounter
  - I've had a number of **close encounters** (= situations that could have been dangerous) with bad drivers.
  - It was his first sexual encounter (= first experience of sex).
  - Flaubert was her first encounter with French literature.
- 2.** a sports match against a particular player or team
  - She has beaten her opponent in all of their previous encounters.
- 3.** (IndE) an incident in which police shoot dead a suspected criminal
  - The two gangsters were later killed in a police encounter.

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**Example Bank:**

- I decided not to risk a second close encounter with the snakes.
- I did not see him again, except for a brief encounter on a train.
- I had my first encounter with him two years ago.
- It was a chance encounter that led to the setting up of the new political party.
- The press conference was her first direct encounter with the media.
- examination of UFO sightings and alien encounters
- her early encounters with contemporary art
- my first encounter with my new boss
- the colonial encounter of indigenous craftsmen with Europeans
- the language we use in everyday social encounters
- violent encounters between police and protesters
- I've had a number of close encounters with bad drivers.
- It was his first sexual encounter.
- The whole thing was the result of a chance encounter in 1975.
- They lost their second-round encounter against Germany.

## encounter

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

I. **en** **ˈ****caʊ****n****tər**<sup>1</sup> **W3 AC** /ɪnˈkaʊntə \$ -ər/ **BrE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **AmE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **verb** [transitive]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: enconter, from Late Latin *incontra* 'toward']

1. to experience something, especially problems or opposition

**encounter problems/difficulties**

" They encountered serious problems when two members of the expedition were injured.

**encounter opposition/resistance**

" The government has encountered strong opposition to its plans to raise income tax.

" The doctor had encountered several similar cases in the past.

### REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually say **come across problems/difficulties** rather than **encounter problems/difficulties** and **come up against opposition/resistance** rather than **encounter opposition/resistance** :

▪ Did you come across any problems?

▪ We came up against quite a lot of opposition from local people.

2. **formal** to meet someone without planning to:

" I first encountered him when studying at Cambridge.

II. **en** **ˈ****caʊ****n****tər**<sup>2</sup> **AC BrE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **AmE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** [countable]

1. an occasion when you meet someone, or do something with someone you do not know:

" She didn't remember our encounter last summer.

**encounter with**

" His first encounter with Wilson was back in 1989.

" Bernstein began training the young musician after a chance encounter at a concert (=a meeting that happened by chance).

" casual sexual encounters (=occasions when people have sex)

**encounter between**

" hostile encounters between supporters of rival football teams

2. an occasion when you meet or experience something

**encounter with**

" a child's first encounter with books

" a close encounter with a snake (=a frightening situation in which you get too close to something)

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