

attraction[ə'trækʃ(ə)n] *n*

1. притяжение; тяготение
magnetic attraction - магнитное притяжение
Earth's attraction - земное притяжение
universe attraction - всемирное тяготение
2. привлекательность; прелесть, очарование
the exhibition has very little attraction for me - эта выставка меня мало интересует
she possesses many attractions - в ней много обаяния
3. *преим. pl* приманка
attractions of a big city - соблазны большого города
4. аттракцион

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at-trac-tion [attraction attractions] *BrE* [ə'trækʃn] st *NAmE* [ə'trækʃn] st **noun**

1. **singular, uncountable** a feeling of liking sb, especially sexually
 - She felt an immediate attraction for him.
 - Sexual attraction is a large part of falling in love.
 - They felt a strong mutual attraction.
 2. **countable** an interesting or enjoyable place to go or thing to do
 - Buckingham Palace is a major **tourist attraction**.
 - The **main attraction** at Giverny is Monet's garden.
 - Attractions at the fair include a mini-circus, clowns, dancers and a jazz band.
 3. **countable, uncountable** a feature, quality or person that makes sth seem interesting and enjoyable, and worth having or doing
 - I can't see the attraction of sitting on a beach all day.
 - City life holds little attraction for me.
 - She is the star attraction of the show.
 - And there's the added attraction of free champagne on all flights.
 4. **uncountable (physics)** a force that pulls things towards each other
 - **gravitational /magnetic attraction**
- compare** ↑repulsion

Word Origin:

late Middle English (denoting the action of a poultice in drawing matter from the tissues): from Latin **attractio(n-)**, from the verb **atrahere**, from **ad-** 'to' + **trahere** 'draw'.

Thesaurus:**attraction** **noun****1. U**

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desire • • **love** • • **passion** • • **crush** • • **infatuation** • |often disapproving **lust** •

attraction/desire/love/passion/infatuation/lust **for sb**

sexual/physical/mutual attraction/desire/love/passion/lust

2. U, C

- I can't see the attraction of sitting on the beach all day.

appeal • • **charm** • • **interest** • • **fascination** • • **glamour** • • **spell** •

a/an attraction/appeal/interest/fascination **for sb/sth**

have/hold a/an attraction/appeal/charm/interest/fascination

sth **loses** its attraction/appeal/charm/fascination/glamour

Example Bank:

- All matter exerts a gravitational attraction.
- Feeding the animals proved a popular attraction for visitors to the farm.
- His attraction to you is obvious.
- I could now see the attraction of a steady job and regular income.
- I struggled to resist the attraction.
- Long flights hold no attraction for me.
- Sophie was plainly the centre of attraction in the room.
- The lack of heat was an attraction for cyclists.
- The main attraction of the place is the nightlife.
- They could no longer deny the attraction between them.
- They shared a powerful mutual attraction.
- the attraction between two people
- the strong attraction that she felt for him
- And there's the added attraction of free champagne on all flights.
- I can't see the attraction of sitting on the beach all day.
- The main attraction of diesel cars is the fuel economy.
- The stunning landscape is only part of the attraction of the region.

attractionat **trac** **tion** **W3** /ə'trækʃən/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun*[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑attraction, ↑attractiveness; **verb**: ↑attract; **adverb**: ↑attractively; **adjective**: ↑attractive ≠ ↑unattractive]1. [**uncountable and countable**] a feeling of liking someone, especially in a sexual way:

The attraction between them was almost immediate.

2. [**countable**] something interesting or enjoyable to see or do:The beautiful beaches are the island's main attraction (=most popular place, activity etc).**tourist attraction** (=a place that many tourists visit)3. [**uncountable and countable**] a feature or quality that makes something seem interesting or enjoyable**attraction of**

Being your own boss is one of the attractions of owning your own business.

4. [**uncountable and countable**] **technical** a force which makes things move together or stay together:the gravitational attraction between the Earth and the Moon

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)■ **ADJECTIVES/NOUN + attraction**▪ **the main attraction** The lovely countryside is obviously the main attraction for visitors.▪ **the star attraction** (=someone or something that many people want to see) The former President was the star attraction of the conference.▪ **a popular attraction** The zoo is by far the most popular attraction.▪ **a big/major attraction** The ducks and geese are a big attraction to children.▪ **a special attraction** A special attraction is the tropical greenhouse.▪ **a tourist attraction** The British Museum is one of London's most popular tourist attractions.▪ **a visitor attraction** The park will be a new visitor attraction for the town.■ **verbs**▪ **be/become/prove an attraction** The organisers hope the event will become an annual attraction.

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THESAURUS (for Meaning 3)▪ **attraction** *noun* [**uncountable and countable**] a feature or quality that makes people like, want, or feel interested in something:

The excitement is part of the attraction of the job. | For many mothers, the attraction of childcare in the workplace is the chance to be near their children. | The idea of living in another country does have a certain attraction.

▪ **appeal** *noun* [**uncountable and countable**] a quality that makes people like something or someone: Much of Corfu's appeal lies in its lively night life. | I don't understand the appeal of this kind of music.▪ **the lure of something** *noun* [**singular**] a very attractive quality that makes you want something very much – often used about something that has a bad effect or influence: It's hard to resist the lure of credit cards and easy money. | The lure of urban life is especially powerful for the young.▪ **charm** *noun* [**uncountable and countable**] a pleasant quality that someone or something has that makes people like them, feel attracted to them, or be influenced by them: He was physically attractive and possessed considerable personal charm. | The book captures Savannah's old Southern charm perfectly.▪ **glamour** *noun* [**uncountable**] the attractive and exciting quality that is connected with wealth and success: the glamour of Monte Carlo | Hollywood glamour | The world of modelling is famous for its glitz and glamour.▪ **draw** *noun* [**singular**] something that makes people want to do something or go somewhere: The money is a big draw for many players. | The island's main draw is its wonderful beaches.**attraction**

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