

invitation[ˌɪnvɪ'teɪʃ(ə)n] *n*

- приглашение**
invitation card /ticket/ - пригласительный билет
a letter of invitation, a written invitation - письменное приглашение
an invitation to dinner - приглашение к обеду /на обед/
admission by invitation only - вход только по пригласительным билетам
at the invitation of smb. - по чьему-л. приглашению
to send out invitations - разослать приглашения
to accept an invitation - принять приглашение
- заманивание, завлечение**
smth. full of invitation - что-л. манящее /привлекательное/
- рел.** приглашение к исповеди
- стимул, поощрение, побуждение**

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in-vi-ta-tion [invitation invitations] *BrE* [ˌɪnvɪ'teɪʃn] ^u *NAmE* [ˌɪnvɪ'teɪʃn] ^u**noun**

- countable** a spoken or written request to sb to do sth or to go somewhere
 - to **issue/extend an invitation**
 - to **accept/turn down/decline an invitation**
 - ~ **to sth** an invitation to the party
 - ~ **to do sth** I have an **open invitation** (= not restricted to a particular date) to visit my friend in Japan.
- uncountable** the act of inviting sb or of being invited
 - A concert was held **at the invitation of** the mayor.
 - Admission is **by invitation only**.
- countable** a card or piece of paper that you use to invite sb to sth
 - Have you ordered the wedding invitations yet?
- singular ~ to sb (to do sth) | ~ to sth** something that encourages sb to do sth, usually sth bad
 - Leaving the doors unlocked is an **open invitation** to burglars.

Word Origin:late Middle English: from French, or from Latin *invitatio(n-)*, from *invitare*.Example Bank:

- An unlocked door is an open invitation to any burglar.
- Have you received your invitation to the exhibition?
- He is here to give a concert at the invitation of the British Council.
- I got a baby shower invitation from a friend.
- I must sadly decline your generous invitation.
- I'm on the invitation list.
- Membership of the club is by invitation only.
- The head extended an invitation to all parents to come and see the school.
- We got a wedding invitation from Laura and Jennifer.
- We have an open invitation to use their holiday cottage whenever we like.
- We'd love to take up your invitation to visit you some time.
- Admission is by invitation only.
- Have you ordered the wedding invitation yet?
- I have an open invitation to visit my friend in Japan.
- to accept/turn down/decline an invitation
- to issue/extend an invitation

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in-vi-ta-tion /ˌɪnvə'teɪʃən, ˌɪnvɪ'teɪʃən/ *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u **noun**[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑invitation, ↑invite; **adjective:** ↑uninvited, ↑inviting ≠ ↑uninviting; **verb:** ↑invite; **adverb:** ↑invitingly]

- [**countable**] a written or spoken request to someone, inviting them to go somewhere or do something
an invitation to do something
" an invitation to speak at a scientific conference
invitation to
" Roger never turns down an invitation to dinner.
- [**uncountable**] the act of being invited or of inviting someone to go somewhere or do something
by invitation
" Attendance at the seminars is by invitation only (=only those people who have been invited can attend).
" They were always dropping by, usually without invitation.
at sb's invitation/at the invitation of somebody
" Kegl traveled to Nicaragua at the invitation of the Education Minister.
- [**countable**] a card inviting someone to attend a party, wedding etc
party/wedding invitation
" We sent out more than 300 wedding invitations.

invitation to

" Did you get an invitation to Jason's party?

4. [singular, uncountable] encouragement to do something

take something as an invitation to do something

" He seemed to take my silence as an invitation to talk.

5. **be an open invitation for/to somebody** to make it very easy for someone to rob you or harm you:

" Leaving the car unlocked is just an open invitation to thieves.

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1, 2 & 3)

■ verbs

- **get/receive an invitation** Did you get an invitation to Janet's party?
- **have an invitation** The following week, I had an invitation to give a talk in Cambridge.
- **accept an invitation** She accepted his invitation to dinner.
- **take up somebody's invitation/take somebody up on their invitation** (=accept someone's invitation) I decided to take them up on their invitation to dinner.
- **refuse/turn down an invitation** (also **decline an invitation formal**) She turned down an invitation to take part in a televised debate.
- **give somebody an invitation** (also **issue/extend an invitation formal**) He has issued an invitation to the Chinese president to come to Washington.
- **send (somebody) an invitation** We sent out the invitations last week.
- **thank somebody for an invitation** I'll have to write a letter thanking Martha for the invitation to her wedding.

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + invitation

- **a party/wedding invitation** He had a wedding invitation from Rob and Jen.
- **a dinner/lunch invitation** Fred's wife has accepted the dinner invitation.
- **a formal/official invitation** The president received a formal invitation to visit Nigeria.
- **a personal invitation** Each parent was sent a personal invitation for the school's open day.
- **somebody's kind invitation** It gives me great pleasure to accept your kind invitation.
- **a special invitation** We received a special invitation to attend a reception at the embassy.
- **an open/standing invitation** (=an invitation to do something at any time you like) Phillip kindly gave me an open invitation to stay at his villa in Tuscany.
- **a long-standing invitation** (=an invitation which someone has had for a long time) He had accepted a long-standing invitation to address the conference.

■ invitation + NOUN

- **an invitation card** (=a card with an invitation printed on it) Everyone entering will have to show an invitation card.

■ phrases

- **a flood of invitations** (=a lot of invitations) He got a flood of invitations to appear on TV and radio shows.

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