

prompt1. [prɒmpt] *n*

1. подсказка; напоминание

to want a prompt - нуждаться в подсказке

to wait for a prompt - ждать, когда суфлёр подаст реплику; ожидать подсказки

2. *ком.* день платежа; срок платежа; день сдачи товара и производства платежа

prompt note - памятная записка о сроке платежа

at a prompt of four months - со сроком платежа через 4 месяца

2. [prɒmpt] *a*

1. быстрый, проворный, исполнительный

prompt assistant - исполнительный помощник

to be prompt to carry (out) an order - быстро выполнить приказание

to be prompt in action /to act/ - действовать быстро /без промедления/

2. 1) немедленный, безотлагательный

prompt action - немедленные действия

prompt decisions - быстрые решения

to give a prompt answer - ответить немедленно

prompt neutron - *физ.* мгновенный нейтрон2) *ком.* срочный, промптовый, немедленный

prompt cash - расчёт немедленно наличными

prompt payment - а) немедленный платёж б) своевременная уплата

prompt ship /vessel/ - промптовое судно (*могущее стать под погрузку в короткий срок*)

prompt goods - товар с немедленной сдачей и оплатой

3. [prɒmpt] *adv разг.*

1. быстро

2. точно, ровно

at seven o'clock prompt, prompt at seven o'clock - ровно в семь часов

to arrive prompt to the minute - прибыть точно /минута в минуту/

4. [prɒmpt] *v*

1. 1) побуждать; толкать

what prompted you to do it? - что побудило вас сделать это?

he was prompted by mercy - он действовал из жалости

2) подсказывать; напоминать

2. внушать (*мысль*); возбуждать (*чувства*)

a feeling prompted by hatred - чувство, внушённое /порождённое/ ненавистью

3. *театр.* суфлировать**prompt**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

prompt [prompt prompts prompted prompting] *adjective, verb, noun, adverb BrE*[prɒmpt] ¹ *NAmE* [prɑɒmpɪt] ²*adjective*

1. done without delay

Syn: ↑immediate

• Prompt action was required as the fire spread.

• Prompt payment of the invoice would be appreciated.

2. *not before noun* (of a person) acting without delay; arriving at the right time**Syn:** ↑punctual

• Please be prompt when attending these meetings.

Word Origin:Middle English (as a verb): based on Old French **prompt** or Latin **promptus** 'brought to light', also 'prepared, ready', past participle of **promere** 'to produce', from **pro-** 'out, forth' + **emere** 'take'.Thesaurus:**prompt** *adj.*

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immediate • • **instant** • • **instantaneous** •**Opp:** slow, **Opp:** delayeda/an prompt/immediate/instant/instantaneous **reaction/response/return**a/an prompt/immediate/instant **action/attention/reaction/relief**a prompt/an immediate **start/stop****Which word?** **Prompt** describes sth that you do; **instantaneous** describes sth that happens; **immediate** and **instant** can describe either. **Prompt** does not suggest quite as much speed of reaction as the other words: action can be **very/fairly****prompt** but not: ✗ **very/fairly immediate/instant/instantaneous**2. *not before noun*

• Please be prompt when attending this class.

punctual • • **on time** •**Opp:** late

very/always prompt/punctual

Derived Word ↑promptness

verb

1. **transitive** to make sb decide to do sth; to cause sth to happen

Syn: ↑provoke

- ~ **sth** The discovery of the bomb prompted an increase in security.
- His speech prompted an angry outburst from a man in the crowd.
- ~ **sb to do sth** The thought of her daughter's wedding day prompted her to lose some weight.

2. **transitive** to encourage sb to speak by asking them questions or suggesting words that they could say

- ~ **sb** She was too nervous to speak and had to be prompted.
- ~ **sb to do sth** (**computing**) The program will prompt you to enter data where required.
- ~ **(sb) + speech** 'And then what happened?' he prompted.

3. **transitive, intransitive** ~ **(sb)** to follow the text of a play and remind the actors what the words are if they forget their lines

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	prompt
	BrE /prɒmpt/
	NAmE /pra:mpt/
he / she / it	prompts
	BrE /prɒmpts/
	NAmE /pra:mpts/
past simple, past participle	prompted
	BrE /prɒmptɪd/
	NAmE /pra:mptɪd/
-ing form	prompting
	BrE /prɒmptɪŋ/
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Thesaurus:

prompt verb

1. T

- What prompted you to choose us?
- lead** • • **make** • • **motivate** • |**formal induce** • • **predispose** •
- prompt/lead/motivate/induce/predispose **sb to do sth**
- make **sb do sth**

2. T

- The news prompted speculation about further price rises.
- provoke** • • **trigger** • • **set sth off** • • **cause** • • **lead (sth) to sth** • |**especially journalism spark** •
- prompt/provoke/trigger/set sth off/cause/lead to/spark a **debate** /**reaction**
- prompt/provoke/trigger/cause/lead to/spark **discussions**/**controversy**
- prompt/provoke/trigger/lead to/spark **demonstrations**
- prompt/provoke/cause/lead to/spark **anger**

Example Bank:

- I understand your views and the reasons which prompted you to write.
- The accusation prompted the resignation of the education minister.
- The discussion was prompted by a chance remark.
- The earth tremors prompted worries of a second major earthquake.
- The incident prompted a full-scale review of police procedures.
- The news prompted speculation that prices will rise further.
- The thought of her daughter's wedding day prompted her to lose some weight.
- What prompted you to choose this area?

noun

1. a word or words said to an actor, to remind them what to say next when they have forgotten
2. (**computing**) a sign on a computer screen that shows that the computer has finished doing sth and is ready for more instructions

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adverb

exactly at the time mentioned

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prompt

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I. **prompt**¹ /prɒmpt \$ praʊmpt *BrE* *AmE* *verb*

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Medieval Latin; Origin: *promptare*, from Latin *promptus*; ⇨ [↑]**prompt**²]

1. **[transitive]** to make someone decide to do something

prompt somebody to do something

"What prompted you to buy that suit?"

2. **[transitive]** to make people say or do something as a reaction:

"The decision prompted an outcry among prominent US campaigners."

3. **[transitive]** to help a speaker who pauses, by suggesting how to continue:

"'I can't decide,' said Beatrice. 'Decide what?' prompted Marlon."

4. **[transitive]** to ask someone to do something on a computer:

"A message will appear which will prompt you for certain information."

5. **[intransitive and transitive]** to remind an actor of the next words in a speech

II. **prompt**² *W3 BrE* *AmE* *adjective*

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: *promptus*, from the past participle of *promere* 'to bring out']

1. done quickly, immediately, or at the right time:

"Prompt action must be taken."

"Prompt payment is requested."

"a prompt response"

2. **[not before noun]** someone who is prompt arrives or does something at the right time and is not late:

"Lunch is at two. Try to be prompt."

—**promptness** *noun* [uncountable]

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- **quick** taking only a short time to do something: I took a quick look at the map. | Do I have time for a quick shower before we go out?
- **short** lasting only a short time: You can do a short course in diving. | The meeting was shorter than I'd expected.
- **brief** *especially written* lasting only a short time. **Brief** is more formal than **short**, and is used especially in written English: The President made a brief visit to Buenos Aires. | a brief introduction to Piaget's ideas | a brief pause in the rain
- **rapid** *especially written* happening in a short period of time – used about changes, increases, improvements etc: a rapid increase in crime | the rapid rate of industrial development
- **speedy** happening or done as quickly as possible, especially so that you get the result that you want: Best wishes for a speedy recovery. | The restoration work has been making speedy progress.
- **prompt** done very soon after something else: Thank you for your prompt reply. | the prompt action of the firefighters | Discounts will be offered for prompt payment.
- **hasty** deciding or doing something very quickly, especially when this has bad results: It was a hasty decision, which he later regretted. | They had to make a hasty departure.
- **cursory** *formal* looking at something very quickly without much attention to detail: Even a cursory glance at these figures shows that there is a problem. | The police conducted a cursory search of the property.

III. **prompt**³ *BrE* *AmE* *adverb* *British English informal*

at the time mentioned and no later **SYN sharp** *American English*:

"The bus will leave at 8 o'clock prompt."

IV. **prompt**⁴ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

1. a word or words said to an actor in a play, to help them remember what to say

2. a sign on a computer screen which shows that the computer has finished one operation and is ready to begin the next

prompt

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15000 **2184**^{COCA}

RANGE: **3k** **PROMPT** 15028

prompt 2568

prompts 1147

promptly 3040

prompting 1931

prompted 6342

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

937 **21214**⁹⁹⁰ *vvi*

667 **24968**⁷⁵⁸ *jj*

289 **33500**⁴⁵⁹ *nn1*

338 **38404**³⁶¹ *vv0*