

**adolescent**

1. [ˌædəˈles(ə)nt] *n*
  1. 1) подросток
  - 2) юноша или девушка 11-16 лет (иногда 14-20)
2. *неодобр.* недоросль; инфантильная незрелая личность
2. [ˌædəˈles(ə)nt] *a*
  1. 1) подростковый
  - 2) юношеский; юный
2. ребячливый, незрелый, инфантильный
- I find his humour a bit adolescent - мне кажется, его шуточки не совсем к лицу взрослому
3. *геол.* молодой
- adolescent mountains - молодые горы

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

• **I. ado-les-cent** [adolescent adolescents] *BrE* [ˌædəˈlesnt] <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *NAmE* [ˌædəˈlesnt] <sup>Ⓜ</sup> *noun*

a young person who is developing from a child into an adult

- adolescents between the ages of 13 and 18 and the problems they face

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as a noun): via French from Latin **adolescent-** 'coming to maturity', from **adolescere**, from **ad-** 'to' + **alescere** 'grow, grow up', from **alere** 'nourish'. The adjective dates from the late 18th cent.

Example Bank:

- I just saw them as a group of nasty little adolescent boys.
- the attitudes of adolescent girls

Example Bank:

- Stop acting like an adolescent!
- adolescents between the ages of 13 and 18, and the problems they face

• **II. ado-les-cent** *adjective*

• **adolescent boys/girls/experiences**

Main entry: ↑adolescent <sup>derived</sup>

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[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: Latin, present participle of adolescere; ⇒ ↑adult<sup>2</sup>]

a young person, usually between the ages of 12 and 18, who is developing into an adult

—**adolescent** *adjective*:

adolescent girls

⇒ ↑child

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**THESAURUS**

- **child** someone who is not yet an adult. You don't usually use **child** to talk about babies or teenagers: Many children are scared of the dark. | He's just a child.
- **kid** *informal* a child. **Kid** is the usual word to use in everyday spoken English: We left the kids in the car.
- **little boy/little girl** a young male or female child: I lived there when I was a little girl. | Little boys love dinosaurs.
- **teenager** someone between the ages of 13 and 19: There's not much for teenagers to do around here.
- **adolescent** a young person who is developing into an adult – used especially when talking about the problems these people have: He changed from a cheerful child to a confused adolescent.
- **youth** *especially disapproving* a teenage boy – especially one who is violent and commits crimes: He was attacked by a gang of youths. | a youth court
- **youngster** a child or young person – used especially by old people: You youngsters have got your whole life ahead of you. | He's a bright youngster with a good sense of humour.
- **minor** *law* someone who is not yet legally an adult: It is illegal to sell alcohol to a minor.

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