

engagement[ɪnˈɡeɪdʒmənt] *n*

1. дело, занятие
2. 1) обязательство, обещание
to meet one's engagements - выполнять обязательства, платить долги
to break an engagement - нарушить обязательство/обещание/
- 2) *юр.* формальное обязательство, соглашение
international engagement - международное обязательство
to enter into an engagement - принимать на себя обязательство
3. обручение, помолвка
to announce the engagement of X to Y - объявить о помолвке X с Y
to break off one's engagement - расторгнуть помолвку
4. (принятое) приглашение; (назначенная) встреча; свидание; договорённость (о встрече)
to call off an engagement - отменить встречу *и т. п.*
we had an engagement to play golf at 4 - мы договорились играть в гольф в 4 часа
a prior engagement prevents my attendance - я не смогу быть из-за другого /ранее принятого/ приглашения
engagements keep him busy - ему вечно надо куда-то идти /с кем-то встречаться/
owing to pressing engagements I am unable to attend - в связи с большой занятостью я не смогу присутствовать
5. ангажемент, контракт (*на выступления и т. п.*)
speaking engagement - (договор на) цикл лекций
the manager offered her an engagement of one performance - директор предложил ей контракт /ангажемент/ на одно выступление
6. *воен.* стычка, бой, схватка
7. *тех.*
 - 1) зацепление, сцепление
 - 2) сцепляющий механизм
8. соединение (*оружия; фехтование*)
double engagement - двойная перемена соединения
◇ the Engagement - *ист.* тайный договор Карла I с шотландскими пресвитерианами

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en·gage·ment [engagement engagements] *BrE* [ɪnˈɡeɪdʒmənt] ^u *NAmE*[ɪnˈɡeɪdʒmənt] ^u **noun****BEFORE MARRIAGE**

1. **countable** an agreement to marry sb; the period during which two people are engaged
 - Their engagement was announced in the local paper.
 - ~ **(to sb)** She has **broken off her engagement** to Charles.
 - an engagement party
 - a long/short engagement

ARRANGEMENT TO DO STH

2. **countable** an arrangement to do sth at a particular time, especially sth official or sth connected with your job
 - an **engagement book/diary**
 - He has a number of social engagements next week.
 - It was her first **official engagement** .
 - I had to refuse because of a **prior engagement** .

FIGHTING

3. **countable, uncountable (technical)** fighting between two armies, etc
 - The general tried to avoid an engagement with the enemy.

BEING INVOLVED

4. **uncountable** ~ **(with sb/sth)** (*formal*) being involved with sb/sth in an attempt to understand them/it
 - Her views are based on years of engagement with the problems of the inner city.

EMPLOYMENT

5. **uncountable, countable (BrE)** an arrangement to employ sb; the process of employing sb
 - The terms of engagement are to be agreed in writing.

Word Origin:early 17th cent. (in the general sense 'a legal or moral obligation'): French, from **engager** 'to pledge'.Example Bank:

- He announced his engagement to his long-time girlfriend.
- He had an important engagement with his financial adviser.
- Her church promoted civic engagement.
- Higher education can contribute to civic engagement.
- It is important that I keep this engagement.

- Mrs Meyer regrets that she is unable to attend owing to a previous engagement.
- The chairman will carry out no official public engagements during the month of August.
- The president fell ill and was forced to cancel all public engagements.
- The president was forced to cancel all public engagements.
- his serious intellectual engagement with this issue
- the decline in political engagement
- the lack of engagement in politics
- Her views are based on years of engagement with the problems of the inner city.
- I don't keep an engagement diary these days.
- I had to refuse because of a prior engagement
- It was her first official engagement

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1. BEFORE MARRIAGE [countable] an agreement between two people to marry, or the period of time they are engaged

engagement of/to

- Their engagement was announced in the paper.
- Tony was stunned when Lisa suddenly broke off their engagement (=finished it).

engagement ring (=a ring that a man gives a woman to show that they are engaged)

2. ARRANGEMENT TO DO SOMETHING [countable] an official arrangement to do something, especially one that is related to your work

official/public/royal etc engagement

- The princess will continue to carry out royal engagements.
- This is his only public speaking engagement on the tour.
- His excuse of a prior engagement was accepted.

3. INVOLVEMENT [uncountable] when you become involved with someone or something in order to understand them

engagement with/in

- a strategy of engagement and cooperation with China
- Many students pass without any real engagement in learning.

4. FIGHTING [uncountable and countable] *technical* fighting between armies etc:

- military rules of engagement

5. EMPLOYMENT [uncountable and countable] *formal* an official arrangement to employ or pay someone to do a particular job:

- Please sign to indicate your acceptance of the terms of engagement.

6. MACHINE PARTS [uncountable] the fitting together of the working parts of a machine

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

■ verbs

- **announce your engagement** (=tell people about it) The couple are expected to announce their engagement today.
- **break off your engagement** (=suddenly end it) Were you surprised when Toni broke off your engagement?

■ adjectives

- **long** (=a long period between getting engaged and getting married) Neither of them wanted a long engagement.
- **short** They were married last month after a short engagement.

■ engagement + NOUN

- **engagement ring** Jerry bought her a beautiful sapphire engagement ring.

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

■ verbs

- **have an engagement** I don't have any engagements tomorrow.
- **carry out an engagement** Last year, the princess carried out over 300 official engagements.
- **cancel an engagement** He instructed his secretary to cancel all his engagements.

■ adjectives

- **an official engagement** This is the Prime Minister's first official engagement since the elections.
- **a public engagement** She appeared with her husband at many public engagements.
- **an important engagement** He had an important engagement with his solicitor.
- **a previous/prior engagement** (=one that is already arranged) I'm sorry I can't be there, but I have a previous engagement.
- **a speaking engagement** (=one in which you give a speech) I've been turning down speaking engagements to concentrate on writing my memoirs.

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