

complicate

1. ['kɒmplɪkɪt] *а редк.*

- 1. = complicated
- 2. = conduplicate

2. ['kɒmplɪkeɪt] *v*

- 1. 1) *осложнять, запутывать*
to complicate matters [a situation] - осложнить /запутать/ дела [положение]
too many rules complicate the game - если правил слишком много - это только усложняет игру
- 2) *редк. осложняться*
- 2. (with, by) *усложнять (чем-л.); приводить к осложнениям*
a serious disease complicated by a bacterial infection - серьезное заболевание, осложнённое бактериальной инфекцией

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com·pli·cate [**complicate complicates complicated complicating**] *BrE*

['kɒmplɪkeɪt] *NAmE* ['kɑːmplɪkeɪt] *verb ~ sth*

to make sth more difficult to do, understand or deal with

- I do not wish to complicate the task more than is necessary.
- **To complicate matters** further, there will be no transport available till 8 o'clock.
- The issue **is complicated by the fact that** a vital document is missing.

Verb forms: *verb forms*

present simple	
I / you / we / they	complicate
	BrE / 'kɒmplɪkeɪt/
	NAmE / 'koːmplɪkeɪt/
he / she / it	complicates
	BrE / 'kɒmplɪkeɪts/
	NAmE / 'koːmplɪkeɪts/
past simple, past participle	complicated
	BrE / 'kɒmplɪkeɪtɪd/
	NAmE / 'koːmplɪkeɪtɪd/
-ing form	complicating
	BrE / 'kɒmplɪkeɪtɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'koːmplɪkeɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

early 17th cent. (in the sense 'combine, entangle, intertwine'): from Latin **complicat-** 'folded together', from the verb **complicare**, from **com-** 'together' + **plicare** 'to fold'.

Thesaurus:

complicate *verb T*

- To complicate matters further, there will be no transport available

confuse • • **blur** • • **cloud** •

Opp: *simplify*

complicate/confuse/cloud **the issue**

complicate/confuse **matters/things/the situation**

Complicate or confuse? Something **complicates** a situation by being an additional problem. With **confuse** the emphasis is on the fact that it is difficult to recognize or understand what needs to be done.

Example Bank:

- These events will greatly complicate the situation.
- The situation is further complicated by the language difficulties.
- This latest bloodshed greatly complicates efforts to bring peace to the region.
- To complicate matters further, there will be no transport available till 8 o'clock.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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[**Word Family:** *verb*: ↑complicate; *noun*: ↑complication; *adjective*: ↑complicated ≠UNCOMPLICATED]

[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** past participle of complicare, from com- (⇒ COM-) + plicare 'to fold']

1. to make a problem or situation more difficult:

- The situation is complicated by the fact that I've got to work late on Friday.
- To complicate matters further, differences exist as regards legal systems, trade customs, and language.

2. [**usually passive**] to make an illness worse:

- a heart condition complicated by pneumonia

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