

whoever

[hu:'evə] *pron* (whomever)

A *conj*

кто бы ни

whoever you may, be, sir, I am deeply grateful to you - кто бы вы ни были, сэр, я вам глубоко признателен

B *rel*

1. тот кто; любой

whoever comes shall be welcome - кто бы ни пришёл, он будет желанным гостем

whoever finds it may keep it - тот, кто найдёт это, может оставить (это) себе

2. (*см. whomever*) *разг.* :

go and fetch whoever you like - приведи того, кого хочешь

3. кто бы (*выражение удивления*)

whoever can that be knocking at the door? - кто бы это мог стучаться в дверь?

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

who-ever [**whoever**] *BrE* [hu'evə] *AmE* [hu'evər] *pronoun*

1. the person or people who; any person who

- Whoever says that is a liar.
- Send it to whoever is in charge of sales.

2. used to say that it does not matter who, since the result will be the same

- Come out of there, whoever you are.
- I don't want to see them, whoever they are.

3. used in questions to mean 'who', expressing surprise

- Whoever heard of such a thing!

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

who-ev-er **S2** /hu'ev-er/ *BrE* *AmE* *pronoun*

1. used to say that it does not matter who does something, is in a particular place etc:

- I'll take whoever wants to go.
- When you're done with the book, just give it to Kristin or Shelley or whoever.

2. used to talk about a specific person or people, although you do not know who they are:

- Whoever is responsible for this will be punished.

3. **whoever he/she is** (*also whoever he/she may be*) used to say that you do not know who someone is:

- You've got a message from Tony Gower, whoever he is.

4. used to mean 'who' at the beginning of a question to show surprise or anger:

- Whoever would do a thing like that to an old woman?

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