

[rɒl] *n*1) роль (*мж. перен.*)

to play the leading role - играть главную роль

the teacher's role in society - роль преподавателя в обществе

aircraft to be used in a training role - самолёты, используемые в целях обучения

to play the role of smb. - а) *meamp.* исполнять какую-л. роль; б) изображать из себя кого-л.

2) служебные обязанности

**role**

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**role** *AW* [role roles] *BrE* [rɒl] <sup>ɹ</sup> *NAmE* [roʊl] <sup>ɹ</sup> **noun****1.** the function or position that sb has or is expected to have in an organization, in society or in a relationship

• the role of the teacher in the classroom

• She refused to take on the traditional woman's role.

• In many marriages there has been a complete **role reversal** (= change of roles) with the man staying at home and the woman going out to work.**2.** an actor's part in a play, film/movie, etc

• It is one of the greatest roles she has played.

• Who is in the **leading role** (= the most important one) ?**3.** the degree to which sb/sth is involved in a situation or an activity and the effect that they have on it

• the role of diet in preventing disease

• The media play a **major role** in influencing people's opinions.• a **key/vital role**Word Origin:early 17th cent.: from obsolete French **roule** 'roll', referring originally to the roll of paper on which the actor's part was written.Thesaurus:**role** **noun****1. C**

• Even after she retired, she retained her role as social secretary.

**place** • • **office** • • **capacity** • |**formal position** •sb's role/office/sb's capacity/sb's position **as** stha role/place/position **in** sth**take up** your role/your place/office/position**2. C**

• He played the role of Hamlet.

**character** • • **part** •the role/character/part **of** sba role/part **in** sth**play** a role/character/part**3. C**

• Regional managers have a crucial role to play in developing the strategy.

**part** • • **stake** • • **interest** • • **contribution** • • **input** • • **participation** • • **involvement** • |**formal engagement** • |**especially journalism hand** •(a/an) role/part/stake/interest/involvement/engagement/hand **in** sth**have** a/an role/part/stake/interest/input/hand **in** sth**have** a role/part **to play****Role or part? Role** is slightly more formal and is more common in business contexts, especially with adjectives such as **key**, **essential** and **primary**; **part** is used mainly in phrases: **have/play a part in sth**.Collocations:**Cinema /the movies***Watching***go to/take sb to (see)** a film/movie**go to/sit in** (*BrE*) the cinema/(*NAmE*) the (movie) theater**rent** a film/movie/DVD**download** a film/movie/video**burn/copy/rip** a DVD**see/watch** a film/movie/DVD/video/preview/trailer*Showing***show/screen** a film/movie**promote/distribute/review** a film/movie(*BrE*) **be on at** the cinema**be released on/come out on/be out on** DVD**captivate/delight/grip/thrill** the audience**do well/badly** at the box office**get a lot of/live up to the hype***Film-making*

**write/co-write** a film/movie/script/screenplay  
**direct/produce/make/shoot/edit** a film/movie/sequel/video  
**make** a romantic comedy/a thriller/an action movie  
**do/work on** a sequel/remake  
**film/shoot** the opening scene/an action sequence/footage (of sth)  
**compose/create/do/write** the soundtrack  
**cut/edit (out)** a scene/sequence

### *Acting*

**have/get/do** an audition  
**get/have/play** a leading/starring/supporting role  
**play** a character/James Bond/the bad guy  
**act in/appear in/star in** a film/movie/remake  
**do/perform/attempt** a stunt  
**work in/make it big in** Hollywood  
**forge/carve/make/pursue** a career in Hollywood

### *Describing films*

the camera **pulls back/pans over sth/zooms in (on sth)**  
the camera **focuses on sth/lingers on sth**  
**shoot sb/show sb** in extreme close-up  
**use odd/unusual camera angles**  
**be filmed/shot** on location/in a studio  
**be set/take place** in London/in the '60s  
**have** a happy ending/plot twist

### Example Bank:

- A cup of tea often serves an important social role.
- Dean Ely sings the title role.
- Economic factors played a decisive role in the outcome of the war.
- Ethan Hawke does a solid job in a thankless role.
- Every member of staff must have a clear role.
- He addressed the role of tradition in design.
- He assumed a conspicuous role at the new arts agency.
- He filled several governmental roles.
- He has been cast in the role of chief apologist for the government
- He has the starring role in the movie.
- He is looking for ways to strengthen his role in the business.
- He is trying to carve out a new role for himself.
- He may have to settle for a backup role.
- He really wants to fulfil his role as godfather properly.
- He was very good in the role.
- I accepted the executive editor role at the magazine.
- I feel I can fit any role this team needs me to.
- I've had to take on the role of mother in her absence.
- In the series, Smith assumes the role of the go-between.
- It took her three years to land her first film role.
- John's playing the leading role in this year's play.
- Lee began to get big roles in movies.
- Many staff perform multiple roles.
- Migrant workers played a central role in the state's prosperity.
- Most of the original cast are reprising their roles.
- Politicians acknowledge the key roles that young people play in the country.
- Pressure groups played a major role in bringing about the reforms.
- Regional managers occupy a crucial role in developing a strategic framework.
- Sbaraglia handles this difficult role well.
- She embraced her role as ruler of the country.
- She has a dual role as principal and French teacher.
- She has joined the team in a consultative role.
- She interprets the role as more tragic than I expected.
- She sings the title role in Tosca.
- Small businesses have a substantial role to play in keeping the economy buoyant.
- Supervising elections is a possible role for the UN.
- The authors emphasized the role of the slave trade in the economic development of the New World.
- The caregiving role is still overwhelmingly a female one.
- The fighting has prevented the UN troops from fulfilling their role as peacekeepers.
- The new prime minister promised a greater role for women in government
- The paper examines the role of various institutions.
- The supporting roles are filled by British actors.
- Their brother plays a protective role.
- They decided to expand the role that new technologies play at the hospital.
- They have to be willing to accept their roles as caregivers and not managers.

- This is the plum role in the play.
- This role conflict can quickly escalate.
- Thomas downplays the role of these letters as historical evidence.
- Traditional gender roles are reversed in their household.
- Walken carefully underplays the role.
- We are waiting to see if he can handle an expanded role.
- We need to better understand the role of cold regions in the global climate system.
- We need to find a useful role for the volunteers in the campaign.
- We will meet with them to determine individual roles.
- a clearly defined role within the group
- a starring female role
- an area where national rivalries play a powerful role
- essays that question gender roles in a patriarchal culture
- her conflicting roles as mother and manager of a large company
- methods for exploring gender role expectations
- one of his stereotypical action hero roles
- the chance to sink her teeth into the meaty role of femme fatale Margaret
- the economic role of small towns
- the expanded role of the federal government
- the limited role of women in the church
- the opportunity to assume a leadership role within your organization
- the specific role of calcium in preventing disease
- the teacher's role as instructor
- the views prevalent in society about female roles
- He stressed the role of diet in preventing disease.
- In many marriages there has been a complete role reversal with the man staying at home and the woman going out to work.
- Parents have a vital role to play in preventing accidents in the home.
- Playing the role of Hamlet is an immense challenge for the actor.
- She refused to take on the traditional woman's role.
- The media play a major role in influencing people's opinions.
- This report examines the role of the teacher in the classroom.
- Who is in the leading role?

## role

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**role** **S2 W1 AC** /rəʊl \$ roʊl/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: French; Origin: rôle 'roll, role', from Old French rolle; ⇨ ↑roll<sup>2</sup>]

1. the way in which someone or something is involved in an activity or situation, and how much influence they have on it

### role in

- ˈ women's role in society
- ˈ the role of diet in the prevention of disease

### role of

- ˈ They want to limit the role of government.

2. the character played by an actor in a play or film **SYN part**

### role of

- ˈ Matthews plays the role of a young doctor suspected of murder.

### the lead/leading/starring role (=the most important role)

- ˈ A young actor named Johnny Depp was given the leading role.

### major/minor role

- ˈ It was Johansson's first major movie role.

### the title role (=the role of the character whose name is in the title of a film or play)

- ˈ The film features Paul Schofield in the title role.

3. **role reversal** a situation in which two people, especially a man and a woman, each do what is traditionally expected of the other

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## COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

### ■ verbs

- **play/have a role** He played a prominent role in the company's success.
- **take on a role** (also **assume a role formal**) (=start having it) Mr Jones took on the role of spokesperson for the organization.
- **take a role** Britain began to take a more active role in the affairs of Europe.
- **give somebody a role** Health experts should be given a key role in developing the correct procedures.
- **cast somebody in a role** *written* (=give someone a role, especially one they do not want) He found himself cast in the role of guide and translator.

### ■ adjectives

- **an important/major role** She played an important role in her husband's political career.
- **a key/central role** The report recognized the key role of teachers.
- **a vital/crucial/essential role** Every member of the team has a vital role to play.
- **an active role** (=when you do practical things to achieve particular aims) She took an active role in the community.
- **a leading role** (=the most important role) They take a leading role in discussions.
- **a significant role** Technology is already playing a significant role in classroom teaching.
- **a prominent role** The military has played a prominent role in Burmese politics.

- **a dual role** (=when someone or something does two things) People have dual roles in society as producers and consumers.
- **sb's traditional role** (=one based on ideas that have existed for a long time, without changing) Some women are happy with their traditional role as carers.

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## COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

### ■ verbs

- **play a role** She was the first actress to play the role of Peter Pan.
- **have a role** His son has a small role in the series.
- **take a role** In the end, I decided not to take the role.
- **land a role** (=be given a role) In 1982 he landed a role in the musical 'Destry Rides Again'.
- **cast somebody in a role** (=give them a role) Television producers would not cast her in lead roles.

### ■ adjectives

- **a major/big role** It was his first major role.
- **a minor/small role** He has had small roles in several other films.
- **the lead/leading role** (=the most important role) He had already cast Tom Hanks in the lead role.
- **a starring role** (=one of the most important roles) She was offered the starring role in a new British stage comedy.
- **the title role** (=the role of the character whose name is the title of the film or play) She will play the title role in 'Emma' later this year.
- **a supporting role** (=not one of the main roles) Lee has a supporting role as Judy's best friend.
- **a comic role** She admits she is attracted to comic roles.

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