

**practice**1. ['præktɪs] *n*

## 1. практика; применение, осуществление на практике

in practice - а) на практике, на деле, фактически; б) на поверку

to put in(to) practice - осуществлять, проводить в жизнь

theory without practice is useless - теория без практики бессмысленна /мертва/

## 2. 1) обычай; обыкновение; привычка; установившийся порядок

international practice - международная практика

established diplomatic practice - установившаяся /общепринятая/ дипломатическая практика

usual /routine/ practice - обычная /установившаяся/ практика, обычное дело

practice of trade - торговый обычай, торговая практика

to make a practice of daily exercise - взять себе за правило ежедневно делать физзарядку

my usual practice is to tip the waiter - я имею обыкновение давать чаевые

it was then the practice - тогда это было принято

the practice of going to bed late - привычка поздно ложиться спать

## 2) ритуал; церемониал

## 3. 1) тренировка, упражнение

choir practice - репетиция хора

dry rowing practice - *спорт.* «сухой» курс гребли

practice ground - а) *воен.* учебный плац; б) *с.-х.* опытное поле

practice jump - *спорт.* а) учебный прыжок; б) пробный прыжок

to be out of practice - разучиться, давно не заниматься (*чем-л.*)

to keep in practice - держать себя в форме, не прекращать тренировок /занятий/

she's doing her practice at the piano - она упражняется в игре на рояле

I haven't done much practice - я мало упражнялся /тренировался/

it takes years of practice - нужны годы (упорных) занятий

practice makes perfect -  $\cong$  навык мастера ставит

2) учебная стрельба (*тж.* instruction practice)

practice ammunition - *воен.* учебные боеприпасы

practice dummy - *воен.* учебный патрон

4. 1) практика, деятельность (*врача, адвоката*)

dental practice - зубоврачебная практика

to be in practice - практиковать

he has retired from practice - он бросил практику

## 2) практика, клиентура

he has a large practice - он имеет большую практику /клиентуру/

5. *юр.* процессуальная норма; процессуальное право6. *pl арх.*

## 1) делишки, махинации

corrupt practices - ловкие происки

discreditable practices - тёмные дела

sharp practices - мошенничество

## 2) происки, интрига

2. ['præktɪs] *амер.* = practise**practice**

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**prac-tice** [practice practices practiced practicing] *noun, verb* BrE ['præktɪs] <sup>m</sup>

NAme ['præktɪs] <sup>m</sup>

*noun*

**ACTION NOT IDEAS**1. **uncountable** action rather than ideas

- the **theory and practice** of teaching
- She's determined to **put** her new ideas **into practice** .

**WAY OF DOING STH**2. **uncountable, countable** a way of doing sth that is the usual or expected way in a particular organization or situation

- **common/current/standard practice**
- guidelines for **good practice**
- a review of pay and **working practices**
- religious practices
- child care policy and practice

**see also** ↑best practice, ↑code of practice, ↑restrictive practices, sharp practice

**HABIT/CUSTOM**3. **countable** a thing that is done regularly; a habit or a custom

- the German practice of giving workers a say in how their company is run
- It is his practice to read several books a week.

## FOR IMPROVING SKILL

4. **uncountable, countable** doing an activity or training regularly so that you can improve your skill; the time you spend doing this

- conversation practice
- It takes a lot of practice to play the violin well.
- There's a basketball practice every Friday evening.
- She does an hour's piano practice every day.

**see also** ↑teaching practice

## OF DOCTOR/LAWYER

5. **uncountable, countable** the work or the business of some professional people such as doctors, dentists and lawyers; the place where they work

- the practice of medicine
- Students should have prior experience of veterinary practice.
- My solicitor is no longer in practice.
- a successful **medical/dental/law practice**

**see also** ↑general practice, ↑group practice, ↑private practice

### Word Origin:

late Middle English: from ↑practise, on the pattern of pairs such as advise, advice.

### Thesaurus:

**practice** noun

#### 1. U

- the theory and practice of teaching

**application** • • **exercise** • • **use** •

**effective/proper/continued/normal** practice/application/exercise/use

**common/current/correct/safe/commercial/industrial/clinical** practice/application/use

**limit/regulate/justify** the practice/exercise/use of sth

#### 2. U, C

- a guide to best practice for employers

**convention** • • **custom** • • **tradition** • • **norms** •

(an) **established** practice/convention/custom/tradition/norms

a **local/British** practice/custom/tradition

**follow** a practice/convention/custom/tradition/...norms

#### 3. U, C

- We have choir practice every Friday.

**training** • • **rehearsal** • • **drill** •

**regular** practice/training/rehearsals/drills

**football/hockey, etc.** practice/training

**do** practice/training/rehearsals

a practice/training/rehearsal **session/schedule**

### Example Bank:

- American social practices
- Certain practices exist in both public and private schools.
- Don't worry if you can't do it at first— it takes practice!
- Established practices are difficult to modify.
- He has been suspended from practice, pending legal investigations.
- He runs a successful legal practice in Ohio.
- His accent should improve with practice.
- I can't wait to put what I've learned into practice.
- I don't make a practice of forgetting to pay my bills, I assure you!
- I'll be able to get in a bit of practice this weekend.
- I've had a lot of practice in saying 'no' recently!
- If you don't play regularly you soon get out of practice.
- It is standard practice not to pay bills until the end of the month.
- It will be good practice for later, when you have to make speeches in public.
- It's a group practice, so you can easily change doctors.
- Martin began his own practice in 1993.
- Religious practices differ from group to group.
- She has opened a new practice in the town.
- She maintains a private practice as a mental health consultant.
- She wants to go into general practice.
- Some prisoners defend this practice as the only way to survive
- Such practices do not reflect our values.
- The bank has continued its practice of charging late fees.
- The children need more practice in tying their shoelaces.
- The idea sounds fine in theory, but would it work in practice?
- The practice of community policing was introduced in the 1970s.

- They carried out a study of Japanese working practices.
- This chapter gives students practice in using adjectives.
- This is now common practice among ethnographers.
- This practice was roundly condemned by the World Medical Association.
- We use this information to inform clinical practice.
- We watched the swimmers go through their practice drills.
- a doctor in general practice
- a physician in family practice
- a psychologist in private practice
- adopting current best practices in your business
- advice on adopting current best practice in your business
- changes in employment practices
- environmentally sound practices
- ethical practice within the profession
- good practice in undergraduate education
- hard work and daily practice
- practice at swimming underwater
- questionable accounting practices regarding the sale of hardware
- safe medical practices for children
- shady business practices
- studying Japanese working practices
- sustainable land-use practices
- the ancient custom of log rolling, a practice which continues to this day
- the company's general practice of selling through agents
- the complications that arise in actual practice
- the decisions that govern our practice and our conduct
- the medical practices of ancient Egypt
- the practice of acupuncture
- voluntary codes of practice between sellers and customers
- A large number of dentists have left the National Health Service to set up in private practice.
- I like the German practice of giving workers a say in how their company is run.
- It is common practice in universities to employ foreign teachers as language assistants.
- It was my practice never to make a written record of the conversations.
- Members have to abide by the federation's code of practice.
- My analyst is no longer in practice.
- Rumours of sharp practice or dishonest dealing will ruin his career.
- She does an hour's piano practice every day.
- She runs a successful law practice.
- She's determined to put her new ideas into practice.
- The book is about the theory and practice of teaching.
- The trainees need more practice in using the compass.
- There's a basketball practice every Friday evening
- They have been studying Japanese business practices.
- They have produced a guide to best practice for employers.

Idioms: ↑in practice ▪ of practice ▪ ↑practice makes perfect

**verb (especially US) = ↑practise**

- to practice the piano every day
- The team is practicing for their big game on Friday.
- They practiced the dance until it was perfect.
- She's practicing medicine in Philadelphia.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	practice
	BrE / 'præktɪs/
	NAme / 'præktɪs/
he / she / it	practices
	BrE / 'præktɪsɪz/
	NAme / 'præktɪsɪz/
past simple, past participle	practiced
	BrE / 'præktɪst/
	NAme / 'præktɪst/
-ing form	practicing
	BrE / 'præktɪsɪŋ/
	NAme / 'præktɪsɪŋ/

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**practice**I. **practice S2 W1** /'præktəs, 'præktɪs/ *BrE* " *AmE* " *noun*

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑practice, ↑practitioner; **adjective**: PRACTISED/PRACTICED, PRACTISING/PRACTICING; **verb**: PRACTISE/PRACTICE]

1. **A SKILL** [uncountable and countable] when you do a particular thing, often regularly, in order to improve your skill at it:

- It takes hours of practice to learn to play the guitar.
- With a little more practice you should be able to pass your test.
- We have choir practice on Tuesday evening.

**in practice for something**

- Schumacher crashed out in practice for the Australian grand prix.

**football/rugby/basketball etc practice**

- John's at baseball practice.

► In British English, the verb is always spelled **practise** (see separate entry). In American English, both noun and verb are spelled **practice**.

2. **in practice** used when saying what really happens rather than what should happen or what people think happens:

- In practice women receive much lower wages than their male colleagues.
- The journey should only take about 30 minutes, but in practice it usually takes more like an hour.

3. **SOMETHING DONE OFTEN** [uncountable and countable] something that people do often, especially a particular way of doing something or a social or religious custom:

- religious beliefs and practices
- dangerous working practices

**the practice of doing something**

- the practice of dumping waste into the sea

4. **DOCTOR/LAWYER** [countable] the work of a doctor or lawyer, or the place where they work

**medical/legal practice**

- Mary Beth had a busy legal practice in Los Angeles. ⇒ ↑general practice, ↑private practice

5. **be common/standard/normal practice** to be the usual and accepted way of doing something:

- It's common practice in many countries for pupils to repeat a year if their grades are low.
- It's standard practice to seek parents' permission wherever possible.

6. **good/best/bad practice** an example of a good or bad way of doing something, especially in a particular job:

- It's not considered good practice to reveal clients' names.

7. **put something into practice** if you put an idea, plan etc into practice, you start to use it and see if it is effective:

- It gave him the chance to put his ideas into practice.

8. **be out of practice** to have not done something for a long time, so that you are not able to do it well

9. **practice makes perfect** used to say that if you do an activity regularly, you will become very good at it

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**COLLOCATIONS****■ verbs**

- **do practice** Have you done your piano practice?
- **take practice** *American English* (=do practice) If he'd done badly, he'd go out and take extra batting practice.
- **have some/more etc practice** (=do practice) I'm not a very good dancer. I haven't had enough practice.
- **get some practice** You must get as much practice as possible before the competition.
- **need practice** She needs more practice.
- **something takes practice** (=you can only learn to do it well by practising) Writing well takes practice.

**■ NOUN + practice**

- **football/basketball etc practice** Dale was at football practice.
- **piano/cello etc practice** I've got to do my cello practice.
- **batting/catching etc practice** We'd better do a bit of batting practice before the game.
- **choir practice** There's choir practice on Tuesday evening.
- **band practice** Have you got band practice tonight?
- **target practice** (=practice shooting at something) The area is used by the army for target practice.
- **teaching practice** You have to do three months of teaching practice before you qualify.

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**THESAURUS**

- **habit** something you do regularly, often without thinking about it: Biting your nails is a bad habit. | I always go to the same supermarket, out of habit.
- **mannerism** a way of speaking or a small movement of your face or body that is part of your usual behaviour: Even her mannerisms are the same as her sister's.
- **custom** something that people in a particular society do because it is traditional or the accepted thing to do: In Japan it is the custom to take off your shoes when you enter a house.
- **tradition** a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has existed for a long time: The tradition of giving Easter eggs goes back hundreds of years. | In many countries, it's a tradition for the bride to wear white. | It was a family tradition to go for a walk on Christmas Day.
- **practice** something that people often do, especially as part of their work or daily life: The hotel has ended the practice of leaving chocolates in guests' rooms.

II. **practise S3 W3** *BrE* " *AmE* " *British English*, **practice** *American English* /'præktəs, 'præktɪs/ *verb*

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1. [**intransitive and transitive**] to do an activity, often regularly, in order to improve your skill or to prepare for a test:

They moved the furniture back to practise their dance routine.

It gives students the opportunity to practise their speaking skills.

### practise doing something

Today we're going to practise parking.

### practise for

She's practicing for her piano recital.

### practise something on somebody

Everybody wants to practise their English on me.

2. [transitive] to use a particular method or custom:

a technique not widely practised in Europe

3. [intransitive and transitive] to work as a doctor or lawyer:

medical graduates who intend to practise in the UK

### practise as

Gemma is now practising as a dentist.

4. [transitive] if you practise a religion, system of ideas etc, you live your life according to its rules:

They are free to practice their religion openly.

5. **practise what you preach** to do the things that you advise other people to do:

She didn't always practise what she preached.

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## THESAURUS

- **practise** *British English*, **practice** *American English* *verb* [intransitive and transitive] to do an activity many times in order to improve your skill or to prepare for a test: The course will give you a chance to practise your language skills. | He was practising his golf swing. | You need to practise regularly if you're going to be a good piano player.
- **train** *verb* [intransitive] to practise physical movements or activities in preparation for a race or game: He's training for the Olympics.
- **rehearse** *verb* [intransitive and transitive] to practise a play, speech, or music in preparation for a public performance: She's in New York where she's rehearsing her new play. | The band are currently rehearsing for their world tour.
- **work on something** to practise a particular skill so that your general performance improves: You need to work on your listening comprehension.
- **go/run through something** to practise something such as a speech, play, or piece of music by reading or playing it from the beginning to the end: I'll just run through the speech one more time.

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