

strong**1. [strɒŋ] а**

1. сильный, обладающий большой физической силой

strong man - силач [*ср. мж.* strong man]

strong horse - сильная /крепкая/ лошадь

as strong as a horse - ≅ здоров как бык

2. здоровый, крепкий

strong constitution - крепкое здоровье

strong stomach - здоровый желудок [*см. мж.* ◇]

strong nerves - крепкие нервы

strong eyes - хорошее зрение

to be [to feel] quite strong - быть [чувствовать себя] вполне здоровым

she is quite strong again - она вполне окрепла (после болезни)

I feel stronger today - я себя чувствую лучше сегодня

3. 1) прочный

strong stick - крепкая палка

strong outer walls - прочные /крепкие/ наружные стены

strong design - прочная конструкция

strong fortress - хорошо укрепленная /защищенная/ крепость

strong defences - *воен.* сильно укрепленная оборона

strong prison - усиленно охраняемая тюрьма

strong soil - твердая почва

2) выносливый

4. твердый, сильный

strong will - сильная воля

5. 1) сильный, могущественный; имеющий силу, власть, преимущество

strong king - могущественный король

strong candidate - кандидат, имеющий большие шансы на успех

to be strong at sea - быть сильным на море; обладать мощным морским флотом

to have a strong hold upon /over/ smb. - иметь большое влияние на кого-л.

strong attraction - большая привлекательность, притягательная сила

2) мощный; сильнодействующий

strong lens - сильная линза

strong poison - сильный яд

3) многочисленный

strong party - крупная партия

strong detachment - усиленное подразделение

to be strong in horse - иметь многочисленную конницу

4) богатый

5) имеющий юридическую силу

6. сильный (в чём-л.)

to be strong in spelling [in chemistry, in mathematics] - быть сильным в правописании [в химии, в математике]

he is not strong in literature - он не силен /слабо разбирается/ в литературе

that's where he is at his strongest - это его самая сильная сторона; в этом он разбирается лучше всего

7. 1) глубокий (об уме); способный ясно мыслить, здраво рассуждать

strong mind [sense] - глубокий /здравый/ ум

2) хороший (о памяти)

8. сильный, веский, убедительный

strong evidence - убедительное доказательство

strong case for [against] smb. - веские факты в пользу [против] кого-л.

9. решительный, энергичный; крутой, строгий

strong face - энергичное /властное/ лицо

strong measures - крутые меры

10. твердый, убежденный; решительный, ревностный, усердный

strong conviction [faith] - твердое убеждение [-ая вера]

strong hate - жгучая /сильная/ ненависть

strong affection - сильная /страстная/ привязанность /любовь/

strong Catholic [Democrat] - убежденный /ревностный/ католик [демократ]

to have a strong inclination /mind/ to do smth. - намереваться /хотеть/ что-л. сделать

to give strong support to smb., smth. - оказать решительную поддержку кому-л., чему-л.

to be strong for [against] smth. - быть решительно за [против] чего-л.

he is strong for disarmament [against compromise] - он решительно выступает за разоружение [против компромисса]

to be strong on smth. - придавать особое значение чему-л.

11. 1) энергичный, выразительный (о стиле)

2) крепкий, грубый, прямой (о языке)

strong language - сильные выражения, бранные слова, брань

to express one's indignation in the strongest terms - выразить своё возмущение в весьма сильных выражениях

12. ясный, сильный, определённый

a strong family likeness /resemblance/ - большое семейное сходство

a strong English accent - сильный английский акцент
I have a strong recollection of him - я его ясно /отчётливо/ помню

13. 1) **сильный, острый, резкий, едкий**

strong smell - сильный /резкий/ запах (*обыкн. неприятный*)
strong flavour - резкий привкус
strong cheese - острый сыр
strong butter - прогорклое масло
strong bacon - протухшее свиное сало
strong breath - дурной запах изо рта

2) **интенсивный резкий**

strong voice - громкий голос
strong light - яркий свет
strong colour - резкий цвет
strong pulse - чёткий пульс
strong heat - сильная жара
strong breeze - сильный ветер
strong gale - сильный шторм

14. **крепкий, неразведённый**

strong coffee [tea] - крепкий кофе [чай]
strong solution - крепкий раствор
strong acid - концентрированная кислота
strong drink - крепкие спиртные напитки

15. **обладающий определённой численностью**

thirteen hundred strong - численностью в тысячу триста человек
a military unit one thousand strong - войсковая часть в тысячу человек
how many strong are you? - сколько вас?

16. **эк. твёрдый, устойчивый (о ценах)**

strong market - устойчивый рынок (*характеризующийся стабильным курсом цен*)

17. **грам. сильный**

18. **фон. находящийся под ударением**

19. **фото контрастный**

20. **в грам. знач. суц. (the strong) собир.**

1) **сильные, здоровые**

2) **сильные мира сего, власть имущие**

◇ the stronger sex - сильный /мужской/ пол
by the strong arm /hand/ - силой
the strong arm of the law - сила закона
strong head - крепкая голова; способность много пить не пьянея
strong meat - ≅ крепкий орешек; орешек не по зубам
strong stomach - небрезгливость; невпечатлительность толстокожесть [*см. тж. stomach* | ◇]
the battle is to the strong - в битве победит сильный

2. [strɒŋ] **adv разг.**

1. **сильно**

to flow strong - течь мощным потоком
to grow strong - усиливаться; укрепляться; укореняться
to be going strong - а) быть в полной силе; he is 90 but still going strong - ему девяносто, но он ещё не одряхлел; б) процветать

2. **резко, неприятно**

to smell strong - припахивать, дурно /плохо/ пахнуть
◇ to come out strong - а) производить большое впечатление; б) энергично высказываться; решительно выступать
to come it (rather) strong - а) зайти слишком далеко; хватить через край; б) сильно преувеличивать, говорить неправдоподобные вещи
to go it (rather) strong - а) действовать решительно; б) поступать безрассудно

strong

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strong [strong stronger strongest] BrE [strɒŋ] ^{adj} NAmE [strɒŋ] ^{adj} adjective
(strong-er BrE [strɒŋə(ɹ)] ^{adj} ; NAmE [strɒŋə(ɹ)] ^{adj} , strong-est BrE [strɒŋəst] ^{adj} ; NAmE [strɒŋəst] ^{adj})

HAVING PHYSICAL POWER

1. (of people, animals, etc.) having a lot of physical power so that you can lift heavy weights, do hard physical work, etc

- strong muscles
- She wasn't a strong swimmer (= she could not swim well) .
- He's strong enough to lift a car!

2. (of a natural or physical force) having great power

- Stay indoors in the middle of the day, when the sun is strongest.
- a **strong wind/current**
- a strong magnet

3. having a powerful effect on the body or mind

- a strong drug

HAVING POWER OVER PEOPLE

4. having a lot of power or influence
 - a **strong leader /government**
5. **the strong plural** people who are rich or powerful

HARD TO RESIST/DEFEAT/ATTACK

6. very powerful and difficult for people to fight against or defeat
 - a strong team
 - (figurative) The temptation to tell her everything was very strong.
7. (of an argument, evidence, etc.) difficult to attack or criticize
 - There is strong evidence of a link between exercise and a healthy heart.
 - You have a strong case for getting your job back.

OPINION/BELIEF/FEELING

8. **only before noun** (of a person) holding an opinion or a belief very firmly and seriously

Syn: †firm

- a **strong supporter/opponent** of the government
9. (of an opinion, a belief or a feeling) very powerful
 - strong support for the government
 - People have strong feelings about this issue.

NOT EASILY BROKEN

10. (of objects) not easily broken or damaged; made well
 - a strong chair

NOT EASILY UPSET

11. not easily upset or frightened; not easily influenced by other people
 - You need strong nerves to ride a bike in London.
 - It's difficult, I know. But be strong!
 - a strong personality
 - She's had a strong will since she was a baby.

see also †headstrong, †strong-minded, †strong-willed

LIKELY TO SUCCEED

12. likely to succeed or happen
 - a strong candidate for the job
 - You're **in a strong position** to negotiate a deal.
 - There's a **strong possibility** that we'll lose the game.

GOOD AT STH

13. good at sth
 - The play has a very strong cast.
 - Mathematics was never my **strong point** (= I was never very good at it) .

NUMBER

14. great in number
 - There was a strong police presence at the demonstration.
15. used after numbers to show the size of a group
 - a 5 000-strong crowd
 - The crowd was 5 000 strong.

HEALTHY

16. (of a person) not easily affected by disease; healthy
 - Are you feeling stronger now after your rest?

FIRMLY ESTABLISHED

17. firmly established; difficult to destroy
 - a strong marriage
 - The college has strong links with local industry.

BUSINESS

18. (of prices, an economy, etc.) having a value that is high or increasing
 - strong share prices
 - The euro is getting stronger against the dollar.
19. (of a business or an industry) in a safe financial position
 - Their catering business remained strong despite the recession.

EASY TO SEE/HEAR/FEEL/SMELL

20. easy to see, hear, feel or smell; very great or ↑intense

- a strong smell
- a strong feeling of nausea
- a strong voice (= loud)
- strong colours
- a face with strong features (= large and noticeable)
- She spoke with a strong Australian accent.
- He was under strong pressure to resign.

FOOD

21. having a lot of flavour

- strong cheese

DRINKS

22. containing a lot of a substance

- strong black coffee

WORDS

23. (of words or language) having a lot of force, often causing offence to people

- The movie has been criticized for **strong language** (= swearing) .

GRAMMAR

24. usually before noun (of a verb) forming the past tense and past participle by changing a vowel, not by adding a regular ending, for example sing, sang

PHONETICS

25. usually before noun used to describe the way some words are pronounced when they have stress. For example, the strong form of and is / [ænd] / .

Opp: ↑weak

more at sb's best/strongest/winning card at ↑card n.

Idioms: ↑a bit strong ▪ ↑come on strong ▪ ↑going strong ▪ ↑have a strong stomach ▪ ↑somebody's strong suit ▪ ↑strong on something

Derived Word ↑strongly

Word Origin:

Old English, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch and German streng, also to ↑string.

Thesaurus:

strong adj.

1.

- He's strong enough to lift a car!

muscular • |especially written, usually approving powerful •

Opp: weak

(a) strong/muscular/powerful build/body/arms/legs

strong/powerful muscles/jaws

2.

- Stay indoors when the sun is strongest.

bright • • dazzling • • brilliant • • bold • • intense • |disapproving harsh • • glaring •

Opp: weak

strong/bright/dazzling/brilliant/intense/harsh/glaring light

strong/bright/dazzling/brilliant/bold/harsh/glaring colours

strong/bright/dazzling/brilliant/glaring sunshine

3. (approving)

- The country needs a strong leader.

powerful • • important • • influential • • great • • dominant •

Opp: weak

a/an strong/powerful/important/influential/great/dominant figure/leader /position

a/an strong/powerful/influential lobby

a/an strong/powerful/important/great/dominant influence

Which word? Strong people are confident and have leadership qualities. Powerful people such as politicians use their position to control events. Important people influence other people or events because people respect them or because their position means their actions have a great effect. Influential people change other people's opinions or behaviour because people respect and listen to them.

4.

- You have a strong case for getting your job back.

convincing • • persuasive • • forceful • • compelling • |formal cogent •

Opp: weak

a strong/convincing/persuasive/forceful/compelling/cogent argument

strong/convincing/persuasive/compelling/cogent evidence

a strong/convincing/persuasive/compelling/cogent **reason/case**

- 5.
- You need vitamins to keep you strong and healthy.
- healthy** • • **good** • |especially BrE **fit** • |especially spoken **well** • • **fine** •
- Opp: weak**
get strong/fit/well
physically strong/healthy/fit/well
fit and strong/healthy/well

- 6.
- strong cheese/coffee
- hot** • • **spicy** •
- Opp: mild, Opp: weak**
a strong/hot/spicy **flavour**
a strong/spicy **taste**
strong/hot **mustard**

Word Family:

strong adjective
strongly adverb
strength noun
strengthen verb

Synonyms:

well

all right • OK • fine • healthy • strong • fit

These words all describe sb who is not ill and is in good health.

well • [not usually before noun] (*rather informal*) in good health: ▫ I'm not feeling very well. ▫ Is he well enough to travel?

Well is used especially to talk about your own health, to ask sb about their health or to make a comment on it.

all right • [not before noun] (*rather informal*) not feeling ill; not injured: ▫ Are you feeling all right?

OK • [not before noun] (*informal*) not feeling ill; not injured: ▫ She says she's OK now, and will be back at work tomorrow.

all right or ok?

These words are slightly less positive than the other words in this group. They are both used in spoken English to talk about not actually being ill or injured, rather than being positively in good health. Both are rather informal but **OK** is slightly more informal than **all right**.

fine • [not before noun] (not used in negative statements) (*rather informal*) completely well: ▫ 'How are you?' 'Fine, thanks.'

Fine is used especially to talk about your health, especially when sb asks you how you are. It is also used to talk about sb's health when you are talking to sb else. Unlike **well** it is not often used to ask sb about their health or make a comment on it: Are you keeping fine?

healthy • in good health and not likely to become ill: ▫ Keep healthy by exercising regularly.

strong • in good health and not suffering from an illness: ▫ After a few weeks she was feeling stronger.

Strong is often used to talk about becoming healthy again after an illness.

fit • (*especially BrE*) in good physical health, especially because you take regular physical exercise: ▫ I go swimming every day in order to keep fit.

all right/OK/fit **for** sth

all right/OK/fit **to do** sth

to **feel/look** well/all right/OK/fine/healthy/strong/fit

to **keep (sb)** well/healthy/fit

perfectly well/all right/OK/fine/healthy/fit

physically well/healthy/strong/fit

Example Bank:

- Don't try to go back to work before you are physically strong enough.
- He exerts an extremely strong influence on his classmates.
- Sales were surprisingly strong in the second half of the year.
- The box looks strong enough.
- The business is still going strong.
- The men's golf team finished strong on Saturday.
- The party lacks a strong enough local base.
- This news helped keep the dollar relatively strong today.
- We must stand strong in the face of adversity.
- After a few weeks she was feeling stronger.
- He felt that the evidence was sufficiently strong to make the claims he did.
- He's strong enough to lift a car!
- It's difficult, I know, but be strong!
- She has long been one of the strongest advocates of sanctions.
- She is the leader of one of the country's strongest trade unions.
- She wasn't a strong swimmer.
- Stay indoors in the middle of the day, when the sun is strongest.
- The report recommended a strong role for the governingboard in school policy on discipline.

- There is strong evidence of a link between exercise and a healthy heart.
- These vitamins are meant to keep you healthy and strong.
- This traditional Cheddar is a treat for lovers of strong farmhouse cheese.
- We hope to see you well and strong again soon.
- What the country needs right now is a strong government
- Will this damage his image as a strong leader?
- You'll need to use plenty of strong French mustard.
- a cup of strong black coffee

strong

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strong **S1 W1** /strɒŋ \$ strɒŋ^{BrE} ^{AmE} *adjective* (comparative **stronger**, superlative **strongest**)

[Word Family: verb: ↑strengthen; noun: ↑strength; adverb: ↑strongly; adjective: ↑strong]

[Language: Old English; Origin: strang]

1. ABLE TO LIFT HEAVY THINGS/DO HARD WORK having a lot of physical power so that you can lift heavy things, do hard physical work etc:

- He was a big strong man.
- Jack was tall and strong.

strong hands/arms/muscles etc

- He picked her up in his big strong arms.
- I'm not strong enough to fight him. ⇒ see *Thesaurus box on P. 1752*

2. NOT EASILY BROKEN OR DAMAGED not easily broken or damaged:

- good strong shoes
- The locks on the doors were solid and strong.

3. ABLE TO DEAL WITH DIFFICULTY determined and able to deal with a difficult or upsetting situation:

- I'm not strong enough to take insults and hatred.
- Laura had a strong character.

4. POWERFUL having a lot of power or influence:

- The Fifth French Republic was established with a strong president in 1958.
- a strong national army
- Our party is the strongest as we come up to the election.

5. FEELINGS/OPINIONS strong emotions, opinions, beliefs etc are ones that you feel or believe a lot and are very serious about:

- He had a strong sense of responsibility to his vocation of preaching.
- There has been strong support for the strike.
- The proposal has met with strong opposition from local people.

strong feelings/views/opinions

- Many people have strong feelings about the issue.

6. AFFECT/INFLUENCE a strong desire, influence etc affects you very much:

- He had a strong desire for power.
- Such feelings may have a strong influence over your decisions.
- The temptation is very strong.

7. RELATIONSHIP a strong relationship, friendship etc is very loyal and likely to last a long time:

- He maintained strong links with the world of the deaf.
- She still has a strong relationship with her mother.
- I have a strong commitment to the quality of teaching.

8. ARGUMENT/REASON ETC likely to persuade other people that something is true or the correct thing to do:

- There is a strong case for an energy conservation programme.
- They need strong evidence to secure a conviction.
- a strong argument

9. LIKELY likely to succeed or happen:

- She's a strong candidate for the party leadership.

strong possibility/chance/probability

- A year ago, there was a strong possibility that he wouldn't live.

10. HEALTHY healthy, especially after you have been ill:

- I don't think her heart is very strong.
- You've been blessed with a strong constitution (=you are healthy and do not easily become ill).

11. be in a strong position (also **gain a strong position**) to be in a situation where you have power over other people or are likely to get what you want:

- The company have gained a strong position in the cheese market.

12. strong wind/current/tide wind, water etc that moves with great force:

- A strong wind was blowing across the lake.

13. GOOD AT SOMETHING very good at something:

- His writing was strong on description.
- We beat a team that was much stronger than ourselves.

be sb's strong point/suit (=the thing that someone is especially good at)

- Tact never was my strong point.

14. TASTE/SMELL having a taste or smell that you notice easily:

- strong coffee
- This cheese has a very strong flavour.

a strong smell of petrol

15. **ALCOHOL/DRUGS ETC** having a lot of a substance, such as alcohol, that gives something its effect:

- extra strong beer
- strong painkillers
- I haven't touched strong drink (=alcoholic drinks) for years.

16. **LIGHT/COLOUR** bright and easy to see:

- The light was not very strong.

17. **strong language** speech or writing that contains a lot of swearing:

- This film is not suitable for children under 12 as it contains strong language.

18. **strong accent** the way that someone pronounces words that shows clearly that they come from a particular area or country:

- a strong German accent

19. **strong nose/chin/features** a nose etc that is large and noticeable, especially in an attractive way:

- She has the same strong features as her mother.

20. **MONEY** a strong ↑currency (=the type of money used in a country) does not easily lose its value compared with other currencies

21. **600/10,000 etc strong** [only after number] used to give the number of people in a crowd or organization:

- the company's 2,200 strong workforce
- The crowd was 10,000 strong.

22. **be going strong** to continue to be active or successful, even after a long time:

- He celebrated his ninetieth birthday this month, and he's still going strong.

⇒ come on strong at ↑come on(10)

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 5 & 6)

nouns

- **strong views/opinions/ideas** She has strong views on education.
- **a strong feeling** I have a lot of strong feelings on the issue.
- **a strong belief** We have a strong belief that everyone has the right to worship freely.
- **a strong sense of something** There is a strong sense of community here.
- **strong support** The idea won strong support in rural areas.
- **strong opposition** There had been strong opposition to the scheme from the national park authority.
- **a strong interest in something** At 16, he developed a strong interest in archaeology.
- **a strong commitment to something** Since its establishment in 1945 the College has had a strong commitment to research.
- **a strong desire for something/to do something** People have a strong desire for personal independence.
- **a strong influence** The experience of living there had a strong influence on me.
- **a strong impression** She made a strong impression on me.
- **a strong temptation** There's always a strong temptation to put off doing difficult tasks.

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THESAURUS

having a strong body

- **strong** having a lot of physical strength: It took four strong men to lift the piano. | You open it – you're stronger than I am.
- **powerful** very strong – used about someone's body, arms, muscles etc: his big powerful shoulders | He was a tall man with a powerful physique.
- **muscular** having big muscles and looking strong: She liked men who were big and muscular. | He had a firm muscular body.
- **well-built** a well-built man is strong and tall and has a big body: Police say the man they are looking for is 36 years old, 6 feet tall, and well-built.
- **hunky informal** strong and attractive: She married hunky Hollywood star Brad Pitt. | He looks hunky, but he's not really my type.

not easily broken or damaged

- **strong** not easily broken or damaged: The bags are made of strong black plastic. | We need a strong rope for this job.
- **tough** strong – used especially about something that can be used a lot without damaging it or making it weaker: a pair of tough leather boots | Kitchen floors need to be tough enough to withstand heavy use.
- **heavy-duty** [only before noun] extremely strong – used about materials, tools, machines etc that are made especially to be used a lot without being easily damaged: heavy-duty rubber gloves | a heavy-duty carpet for the hallway
- **sturdy** strong and often thick, and not likely to fall over or get broken: a fence made with sturdy wooden posts | The furniture is simple but sturdy.
- **unbreakable** extremely strong and impossible to break: Babies need to have unbreakable dishes and cups.
- **indestructible** impossible to break, damage, or destroy, and lasting forever: Gold is virtually indestructible. | The pyramids were built as indestructible tombs for the Pharaohs.
- **hard-wearing** *British English*, **long-wearing** *American English* used about materials and products that will remain in good condition for a long time even when they are used a lot: Ceramic tiles are easy to keep clean and hard-wearing. | a hard-wearing fabric
- **durable** *especially written* used about materials and products that will remain in good condition for a long time – often used on product labels: The jacket has a durable nylon lining. | Varnish is more durable than paint.
- **robust** *especially written* strongly made – used especially about the structure of something, for example a vehicle or machine: a mountain bike with a robust frame | The hardware for the computer must be robust and inexpensive.

strong

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