temptation

[temp′teı∫(ə)n] *n*

1. 1) соблазн, искушение, обольщение

the temptation of ultimate power - соблазн высшей /абсолютной/ власти

in spite of all temptations - вопреки всем соблазнам

to yield to temptation - не устоять перед соблазном /искушением/

to be immune to the temptation - (уметь) устоять перед соблазном, не поддаваться соблазну

to throw temptation in smb.'s way - искушать /обольщать/ кого-л.

lead us not into temptation - рел. не введи нас во искушение

2) склонность

the temptation to anarchy and disorder - склонность /стремление/ к анархии и беспорядку

2. приманка

there is no temptation to go there - ничто не влечёт (меня) туда

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temp·ta·tion [temptation temptations] BrE [temp'teɪʃn] NAmE [temp'teɪʃn]

- 1. countable, uncountable the desire to do or have sth that you know is bad or wrong
- · the temptation of easy profits
- · to give way to/yield to temptation
- I couldn't resist the temptation to open the letter.
- Don't put temptation in her way by offering her a cigarette.
- 2. countable a thing that makes sb want to do or have sth that they know is bad or wrong
 - · An expensive bicycle is a temptation to thieves.

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French temptacion, from Latin temptatio(n-), from temptare 'handle, test, try'.

Example Bank:

- · Keep your valuables locked away so as not to put temptation in the way of thieves.
- Don't give in to temptation.
- Don't put temptation in her way by offering her a cigarette.
- I couldn't resist the temptation to open the letter.
- The temptation of easy profits was too much for them.

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temp ta tion /temp'teɪʃən/ BrE AmE noun [uncountable and countable]

$\mathbf{1}.$ a strong desire to have or do something even though you know you should not

temptation to do something

- There might be a temptation to cheat if students sit too close together.
- Resist the temptation to buy the item until you're certain you need it.
- I finally gave in to the temptation and had a cigarette.
- 2. something that makes you want to have or do something, even though you know you should not:
 - Selling alcohol at truck stops is an unnecessary temptation for drivers.
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COLLOCATIONS

verbs

- resist the temptation to do something If you feel hungry during the day, resist the temptation to eat chocolate.
- give in to temptation (=do what you feel you want to do) Be strong don't give in to temptation.
- succumb/yield to temptation formal (=give in to temptation) Lorna succumbed to temptation and ordered the apple pie.
- avoid the temptation to do something Avoid the temptation to cheat.
- there is a temptation to do something There is also the temptation to pay for the whole thing with a credit card.

adjectives

- great/strong There is a strong temptation to ignore all the potential problems. | The temptation was too great for her to resist.
- overwhelming He felt an overwhelmingtemptation to kiss her.

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