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1. [ˈʌndəlaɪn] *n*
  1. линия, подчёркивающая слово (в тексте)
  2. *pl* транспарант (для письма)
  3. пояснение под картиной, чертежом *и т. п.*
  4. нижняя линия экстерьера животного (собаки *и т. п.*)
2. [ˌʌndəˈlaɪn] *v*
  1. подчёркивать слова (в тексте)
  2. придавать особое значение, подчёркивать

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**under-line** [underline underlines underlined underlining] *BrE* [ˌʌndəˈlaɪn] <sup>u</sup>  
*NAmE* [ˌʌndərˈlaɪn] <sup>u</sup> (also **under-score** especially in *NAmE*) *verb*

1. ~ **sth** to draw a line under a word, sentence, etc
  - The names of the winners are underlined in red.
2. to emphasize or show that sth is important or true
  - ~ **sth** The report underlines the importance of pre-school education.
  - ~ **how, what, etc...** Her question underlined how little she understood him.
  - ~ **that...** The report underlined that the project enjoyed considerable support in both countries.
  - **it is underlined that...** It should be underlined that these are only preliminary findings.

See also: ↑underscore

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	underline
	<i>BrE</i> / ˌʌndəˈlaɪn/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˌʌndərˈlaɪn/
he / she / it	underlines
	<i>BrE</i> / ˌʌndəˈlaɪnz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˌʌndərˈlaɪnz/
past simple, past participle	underlined
	<i>BrE</i> / ˌʌndəˈlaɪnd/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˌʌndərˈlaɪnd/
-ing form	underlining
	<i>BrE</i> / ˌʌndəˈlaɪnɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / ˌʌndərˈlaɪnɪŋ/

**Example Bank:**

- The word 'not' was heavily underlined.
- These statistics underline an important point.
- This disaster merely underlines the need for a consistent foreign policy.
- This disaster merely underlines the need for caution.
- a move intended to underline US concern over the issue
- Her question only underlined how little she understood him.
- The prime minister underlined the government's commitment to tackling this issue.
- The victory underlined the extent to which Prussia had become a major power.

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**underline** /ˌʌndəˈlaɪn \$ -ər-/ *BrE* <sup>u</sup> *AmE* <sup>u</sup> *verb* [transitive]

1. to draw a line under a word to show that it is important
2. to show that something is important **SYN highlight**:
  - <sup>u</sup> This tragic incident underlines the need for immediate action.
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**THESAURUS**

- **emphasize** to say strongly or show clearly that a fact, idea etc is especially important: Our company emphasizes the need for good communication between staff.
- **stress** to emphasize something when you are talking about a subject: Most schools stress the importance of parental involvement in their child's learning. | He stressed the need for parents to listen to their children.
- **highlight** to show that something is important, so that people will pay special attention to it: This case highlights the need for tougher laws on gun ownership. | The report highlights the decline in the numbers of native plants and insects.
- **underline / underscore** to help to show clearly that a fact is true, especially a fact that is already known: These attacks underline the fact that the security situation here remains fragile. | The president's speech repeatedly underscored the progress that has been made.
- **accentuate** to show something clearly and make it easier to notice: The recent economic crisis has accentuated the gap between the rich and the poor.
- **overemphasize** to emphasize something too much: The relation between food and health is often overemphasized in my view.
- **play up** to emphasize something and make it seem more important than it really is, especially to get advantages for yourself: The story has been played up by the media. | The Labour party had a great time playing up the Conservatives' problems.

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