

nature['neɪtʃə] *n***1. природа; мир, вселенная**

Dame Nature - ≅ мать-природа

Nature's engineering - работа сил природы

against /contrary to/ nature - сверхъестественный [*ср. тж.* 6]

in nature - на свете, во всей вселенной

the worst rogue in nature - мерзавец, каких свет не видывал

all nature looks gay - чудесный день, природа радуется

2. природное, первобытное состояние

a return to nature - возвращение в первобытное состояние; ≅ назад к природе

state of nature - а) первобытное состояние; б) нагота

in a state of nature - ≅ в чём мать родила

Shelley was a nature poet - Шелли воспевал природу

3. сущность, основное свойство; свойства, характер (чего-л.)

radioactive nature - а) радиоактивные свойства; б) радиоактивное происхождение

nature of the terrain - характер местности

nature of soil - характер грунта; состояние почвы

in /by, from/ the nature of - по характеру, по роду (чего-л.)

by the nature of his office - по характеру /по роду/ его работы

4. род, сорт, класс, типnature of content - описание содержания (*посылки и т. п.*)

goods of such nature - товары такого рода

things of this nature - подобные вещи

events of this nature - такого рода события

nature of artillery - тип артиллерии

of /in/ the nature of - что-то вроде; нечто похожее на

in the nature of an apology - в порядке извинения

it was in the nature of a command - это было нечто вроде приказа

5. 1) натура, характер, нрав

good nature - добродушие

ill nature - злобность, плохой характер

second nature - вторая натура

human nature - человеческая природа, человеческие слабости

by nature - по природе, от рождения

that man is proud by nature - этот человек отличается гордостью от рождения

she is polite by nature - она по своей природе не может быть невежливой

it is only human nature to do that - человеку свойственно так поступать

to be contrary to smb.'s nature - идти вразрез с чьим-л. характером

cats and dogs have entirely different natures - у собак и кошек нрав совершенно разный

2) человеческая душа; человек

some natures cannot appreciate poetry - некоторые души /люди/ не воспринимают поэзию

6. естество, организм (человека); жизненные силыagainst nature - противоестественный аморальный [*ср. тж.* 1]call of nature - *эвф.* зов природы (*позыв на дефекацию и т. п.*)to ease nature - *эвф.* «облегчиться», оправиться (*отправить естественные надобности*)

to control nature - сдерживать инстинкты; владеть собой

nature is exhausted - силы иссякли

such a diet will not support nature - на такой пище не проживёшь

7. иск.**1) натура**

to draw from nature - рисовать с натуры

2) естественность, жизненность, правдоподобие**8. сила; живица, камедь**

◇ to pay one's debt to nature - отдать дань природе, умереть

all nature - все, очень много народа; ≅ кого там только не было

to beat all nature - *амер.* превзойти всё на свете

in the course of nature - естественнo; при нормальном ходе событий; в своё время

to let nature take its course - не вмешиваться в ход событий; предоставить делу идти своим чередом (*особ.* о романе)not in nature - *арх.* никак, ни за что

an engagement that cannot in nature be missed - свидание, на которое никак нельзя не прийти

nature

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na·ture [nature natures] *BrE* ['neɪtʃə(r)] ^m *NAmE* ['neɪtʃər] ^m noun**PLANTS, ANIMALS****1. (often Nature) uncountable** all the plants, animals and things that exist in the universe that are not made by people

• the beauties of nature

- man-made substances not found in nature
- nature conservation You cannot use 'the nature' in this meaning: the beauties of the nature. It is often better to use another appropriate word, for example **the countryside, the scenery or wildlife**

- We stopped to admire the scenery.

- We stopped to admire the nature.

2. (*often* **Nature**) **uncountable** the way that things happen in the physical world when it is not controlled by people

- the **forces/laws of nature**

- Just let nature take its course.

- Her illness was Nature's way of telling her to do less.

see also ↑Mother Nature

CHARACTER

3. **countable, uncountable** the usual way that a person or an animal behaves that is part of their character

- It's **not in his nature** to be unkind.

- She is very sensitive **by nature**.

- We appealed to his **better nature** (= his kindness).

see also ↑good nature, ↑human nature, ↑second nature

BASIC QUALITIES

4. **singular** the basic qualities of a thing

- the changing nature of society

- It's difficult to define the exact nature of the problem.

- My work is very specialized **in nature**.

- The future **by its very nature** is uncertain.

TYPE/KIND

5. **singular** a type or kind of sth

- books of a scientific nature

- Don't worry about things of that nature.

-NATURED

6. (in adjectives) having the type of character or quality mentioned

- a good-natured man

more at the call of nature **at** ↑call _{n.}, the forces of nature **at** ↑force _{n.}

Idioms: ↑against nature ▪ ↑back to nature ▪ ↑in the nature of something ▪ ↑in the nature of things

Word Origin:

Middle English (denoting the physical power of a person): from Old French, from Latin **natura** 'birth, nature, quality', from **nat-** 'born', from the verb **nasci**.

Thesaurus:

nature noun

1. U

- Take time to appreciate the beauties of nature.

the natural world • • **the environment** • • **the wild** • • **life** • • **wildlife** • • **ecosystem** • • **habitat** •

in nature/the environment/the wild/an ecosystem/a habitat

(a/an/the) **marine/terrestrial/aquatic** environment/life/wildlife/ecosystem/habitat

protect the natural world/the environment/... life/wildlife/habitats

2. C, U

- It's not in her nature to be unkind.

character • • **personality** • • **temperament** • • **self** • • **make-up** • | **formal disposition** • • **persona** •

by nature/temperament

in sb's nature/character

a **violent** nature/character/personality/temperament

a **generous** nature/character/disposition

Which word? **Nature** is used about sb's normal way of behaving **character** is used especially about sb's moral behaviour, **personality** is used especially about whether sb is confident, shy, etc. with other people.; **temperament** is mostly used about whether sb normally stays calm, or gets angry, etc.

3. sing.

- It's difficult to define the exact nature of the problem.

character • • **essence** • • **stuff** • • **spirit** •

in nature/character/essence/spirit

the **very** nature/character/essence/stuff/spirit of sth

preserve/capture/convey/reflect the nature/character/essence of sth

Nature or character? Use **nature** to talk about the basic qualities of abstract things, such as **society** or **risks**; use **character** to talk about the qualities of buildings, places and other physical things, especially qualities that make a place or thing seem different or special.

Word Family:

nature noun

natural adjective (≠unnatural)

naturally adverb (≠unnaturally)

Example Bank:

- Are you aware of the nature of the risks involved?
- Because of the detailed nature of the work, I have to use a very fine brush.
- By its very nature a secret service is not open to public inspection.
- Given the nature of this matter, I am inclined to think it should be managed by you personally.
- He believed in spending half an hour each day to relax and commune with nature.
- He had a vicious side to his nature.
- He has an inquisitive nature.
- He's not by nature an inquisitive person.
- Her view is that aggression is part of human nature.
- His love of nature was expressed through his wildlife paintings.
- His theory provides a remarkable insight into the nature of the British constitution.
- I'm not clear about the exact nature of their relationship.
- It is important to define the nature of the problem.
- It was against his nature to tell lies.
- It's highly unlikely that this mound was produced by nature.
- It's not in his nature to complain.
- It's only human nature to want more money.
- Mother Nature had served up some terrible weather for their cruise.
- Mother Nature's way of dealing with overpopulation
- Nature had endowed her with exceptional vitality.
- People are always taking advantage of her good nature.
- The Buddhist goal is to realize the true nature of the world.
- The gentle lower slopes belie the true nature of the mountain.
- The legal concept of insanity is of a different nature from the medical.
- The method employed will depend on the nature of the task.
- The parties would not reveal the exact nature of the dispute.
- The victim has not been identified because of the sensitive nature of the case.
- Their problems are of an economic nature.
- Their strategy was essentially political in nature.
- There was no point appealing to her better nature.
- They define sexual harassment as unwanted conduct of a sexual nature.
- This new information does not change the nature of our findings.
- We appreciate beauty in nature.
- We built our house in the country because we wanted to get back to nature.
- We built our house in the country because we wanted to get back= be close to nature.
- We can only treat the injury and then let nature take its course.
- We need to understand the true extent and nature of the problem.
- a debate concerning the nature of violence
- matters of a routine nature
- people who live in the country and are close to nature
- the dual nature of man as a physical and spiritual being
- the expressive part of his nature
- the international nature of the business
- the subjective nature of an odour
- the unsatisfactory nature of the meeting
- A lot of nature conservation is about protecting habitats.
- Decisions of this nature often take a long time.
- Don't worry about things of that nature.
- Her illness was Nature's way of telling her to do less.
- His books were mainly of a scientific nature.
- It seemed against the laws of nature that such a creature could even exist.
- It's not in her nature to be unkind.
- My work is very specialized in nature.
- She is very sensitive by nature.
- Take time to appreciate the beauties of nature.
- The forces of nature are constantly reshaping our world.
- The talk addressed the subject of the changing nature of our society.
- We appealed to his better nature.
- What's the nature of his work?
- White phosphorus is so reactive that it is not found in nature.

nature

nature **S1 W1** /'neɪtʃə \$ -tʃər/ **BrE** [■] **AmE** [■] **noun**

[Word Family: **noun**: ↑nature, ↑naturalist, ↑naturalism, ↑naturalization, ↑naturalness, the supernatural, ↑natural, ↑naturalist,

↑naturalism; **adverb** ↑naturally ≠ ↑unnaturally, ↑naturalistically, ↑supernaturally; **adjective**: ↑natural ≠ ↑unnatural, ↑supernatural, ↑naturalistic; **verb**: ↑naturalize]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: French; Origin: Latin natura, from natus; ⇒ ↑nation]

1. PLANTS/ANIMALS ETC [uncountable] (also Nature) everything in the physical world that is not controlled by humans, such as wild plants and animals, earth and rocks, and the weather:

- We grew up in the countryside, surrounded by the beauties of nature.
- nature conservation

the laws/forces of nature

- The inhabitants of the island fight a constant battle against the forces of nature.

in nature

- All these materials are found in nature.
- Disease is nature's way of keeping the population down.

2. SB'S CHARACTER [uncountable and countable] someone's character:

- a child with a happy, easy-going nature

sb's nature

- It's just not in Jane's nature to lie.

by nature

- She was by nature a very affectionate person.
- I tried appealing to his better nature (=his feelings of kindness) but he wouldn't agree to help us.
- Of course she's jealous – it's only human nature (=the feelings and ways of behaving that all people have).

3. QUALITIES OF SOMETHING [singular, uncountable] the qualities or features that something has

nature of

- They asked a lot of questions about the nature of our democracy.
- He examined the nature of the relationship between the two communities.

exact/precise/true nature

- The exact nature of the problem is not well understood.

different/political/temporary etc in nature

- Any government funding would be temporary in nature.
- Capitalist society is by its very nature unstable.

4. TYPE [singular] a particular kind of thing

of a personal/political/difficult etc nature

- The support being given is of a practical nature.

of this/that nature

- I never trouble myself with questions of that nature.

5. in the nature of things according to the natural way things happen:

- In the nature of things, there is bound to be the occasional accident.

6. be in the nature of something formal to be similar to a type of thing:

- The enquiry will be more in the nature of a public meeting than a formal hearing.

7. against nature not natural, and morally wrong:

- They believe that suicide is against nature.

8. let nature take its course to allow events to happen without doing anything to change the results:

- The best cure for a cold is to let nature take its course.

9. back to nature a style of living in which people try to live simply and not use modern machines:

- city workers who want to get back to nature in their holidays

⇒ **be/become second nature (to somebody)** at ↑second¹(10), ⇒ **the call of nature** at ↑call²(12)

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