

sober**1. ['səʊbə] a****1. трезвый**

to sleep oneself sober - проспаться (после пьянки)

2. воздержанный, умеренный (в употреблении спиртных напитков)**3. сдержанный, спокойный, хладнокровный**

to have a sober head in a panic - сохранять спокойствие во время паники

4. здравый, здравомыслящий; рассудительный, трезвый

sober critic - объективный критик

sober estimate - трезвая /реальная/ оценка

a man of sober judgement - трезво смотрящий на вещи человек

a man of sober mind - человек, обладающий трезвым умом

no one in his sober senses would do such a thing - ни один человек в здравом уме так не поступил бы

5. неяркий, спокойный, мягкий (о цвете)

sober garments - скромный наряд

clad in sober colours - *поэт.* одетый в мягкие тона

◇ in sober earnest - совершенно серьезно, ответственно

in sober fact - на самом деле, в действительности

as sober as a judge - совершенно трезвый; ≅ ни в одном глазу

2. ['səʊbə] v**1. 1) отрезвлять, приводить в чувство****2) протрезвляться, приходить в себя (мж. sober up)****2. (мж. sober down)****1) охлаждать, обуздывать, отрезвлять**

the news sobered him - это известие подействовало на него отрезвляюще

2) остывать, успокаиваться

he sobered down and married - он остепенился и завёл себе жену

the class sobered down when the teacher came into the room - ученики утихомирились, как только учитель вошёл в класс

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sober [sober sobers sobered sobering soberer soberest] **adjective, verb BrE**

['səʊbə(r)]¹ **NAmE** ['sɒbər]²

adjective

1. not usually before noun not drunk (= not affected by alcohol)

• I promised him that I'd stay sober tonight.

• He was **as sober as a judge** (= completely ↑sober) .

2. (of people and their behaviour) serious and sensible

• a sober assessment of the situation

• He is honest, sober and hard-working.

• **On sober reflection** (= after some serious thought) , I don't think I really need a car after all.

3. (of colours or clothes) plain and not bright

• a sober grey suit

see stone-cold sober **at** ↑stone cold

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **sobre**, from Latin **sobrius**.

Example Bank:

• By this time he felt more or less sober again.

• I've been clean and sober for four years.

• Only the thought of her kept him sober.

• She wanted a drink, but she had to stay sober.

• He was honest, sober and hardworking.

• I promised him that I'd stay sober tonight.

• On sober reflection I have decided to drop the case.

• We need to make a calm, sober assessment of the situation.

Derived Word ↑soberly

Derived ↑sober somebody up ▪ ↑sober up

verb transitive, intransitive ~ (sb)

to make sb behave or think in a more serious and sensible way; to become more serious and sensible

• The bad news sobered us for a while.

• He suddenly sobered.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	sober
	BrE / 'sɒbə(r) /
	NAmE / 'sɒbər /
he / she / it	sobers
	BrE / 'sɒbəz /
	NAmE / 'sɒbərz /
past simple, past participle	sobered
	BrE / 'sɒbəd /
	NAmE / 'sɒbəd /
-ing form	sobering
	BrE / 'sɒbərɪŋ /
	NAmE / 'sɒbərɪŋ /

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I. **sober**¹ /'səʊbə \$ 'sɒbər/ BrE[Ⓜ] AmE[Ⓜ] *adjective*

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: sobre, from Latin sobrius]

1. not drunk:

He's a nice guy when he's sober.

2. serious, and thinking or making you think carefully about things:

a sober hard-working young man

a sober reminder of the difficulties we face

3. plain and not at all brightly coloured:

a sober grey suit

—soberly *adverb*

II. **sober**² BrE[Ⓜ] AmE[Ⓜ] (also **sober down**) *verb* [intransitive and transitive]

to become more serious in behaviour or attitude, or to make someone become more serious:

His expression sobered instantly.

sober up *phrasal verb*

to gradually become less drunk, or to make someone become less drunk:

I had sobered up by now and felt terrible.

sober somebody ↔ **up**

Some coffee should sober you up.

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