

**divert**

- [daɪ'vɜ:t] *v*
- 1) отклонять, отводить; направлять в другую сторону  
 to divert the course of a river - изменить русло реки  
 traffic was diverted to the side street - движение было отведено на боковую улицу  
 flights were diverted because of poor visibility - из-за плохой видимости маршруты самолётов были изменены
  - 2) направлять в другую сторону, в другое русло  
 to divert the conversation - переменить тему разговора; перевести разговор на другое /на другую тему/
  - 3) отводить, выделять  
 to divert a sum to charity - выделить сумму для нужд благотворительности
  2. сбивать (с пути); уводить в сторону  
 to divert smb. from a purpose - заставить кого-л. отказаться от своей цели  
 nothing will divert him from this trip - ничто не заставит его отказаться от этой поездки
  3. отвлекать (внимание и т. п.)  
 to divert smb.'s thoughts - отвлечь чьи-л. мысли, отвлечь кого-л.
  4. развлекать, увеселять, забавлять  
 to divert smb. with an amusing story - позабавить кого-л. смешным рассказом  
 to divert oneself by reading parodies - развлекаться чтением пародий

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**di·vert** [divert diverts diverted diverting] *BrE* [daɪ'vɜ:t] *NAme* [daɪ'vɜ:rt]

*verb* ~ **sb/sth (from sth) (to sth)**

1. to make sb/sth change direction
    - Northbound traffic will have to be diverted onto minor roads.
    - The course of the stream has now been diverted
  2. ~ **sth** to use money, materials, etc. for a different purpose from their original purpose
  3. ~ **sth** to take sb's thoughts or attention away from sth
- Syn:** ↑distract
- The war diverted people's attention away from the economic situation.
4. ~ **sb (formal)** to entertain people
    - Children are easily diverted

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	divert
	<i>BrE</i> /daɪ'vɜ:t/
	<i>NAme</i> /daɪ'vɜ:rt/
he / she /it	diverts
	<i>BrE</i> /daɪ'vɜ:ts/
	<i>NAme</i> /daɪ'vɜ:rts/
past simple, past participle	diverted
	<i>BrE</i> /daɪ'vɜ:tɪd/
	<i>NAme</i> /daɪ'vɜ:rtɪd/
-ing form	diverting
	<i>BrE</i> /daɪ'vɜ:tɪŋ/
	<i>NAme</i> /daɪ'vɜ:rtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: via French from Latin *divertere*, from *di-* 'aside' + *vertere* 'to turn'.

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[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Old French; Origin: divertir, from Latin *divertere*, from *vertere* 'to turn']

1. to change the use of something such as time or money  
**divert something into/to/(away) from etc something**
  - The company should divert more resources into research.
  - Officials diverted revenue from arms sales to the rebels.
2. to change the direction in which something travels  
**divert a river/footpath/road etc**
  - Canals divert water from the Truckee River into the lake.
  - The high street is closed and traffic is being diverted
3. if you divert your telephone calls, you arrange for them to go directly to another number, for example because you are not able to answer them yourself for some time:
  - Remember to divert your phone when you are out of the office.
4. to deliberately take someone's attention from something by making them think about or notice other things  
**divert (sb's) attention (away from somebody/something)**
  - The crime crackdown is an attempt to divert attention from social problems.
  - He'd been trying to divert suspicion away from himself.
5. **formal** to amuse or entertain someone

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