

**descent**[di'sent] *n*

## 1. 1) спуск

labourious descent - трудный спуск

descent of the mountain [to the valley, with a parachute] - спуск с горы [в долину, с парашютом]

to make a descent - спуститься

2) снижение (*самолёта и т. п.*)3) понижение (*местности и т. п.*)4) *косм.* посадка

## 2. склон, скат, спуск

sharp descent - крутой спуск /скат/

rocky [gradual] descent - скалистый [пологий] спуск

precipitous descent to the sea - крутой спуск к морю

## 3. понижение, падение; ослабление

descent of temperature - понижение /падение/ температуры

descent of sound - ослабление звука

## 4. происхождение; родословная; источник

of a Norman descent - норманнского происхождения

the descent of man - происхождение человека

to boast of a long descent - хвастать древней родословной

## 5. поколение, колено

this land was theirs during four descents - четыре поколения их рода владели этой землёй

6. *обыкн. юр.* наследование, передача или переход имущества по наследству

descent of property in the female line - наследование собственности по женской линии

to acquire a title by descent - получить титул по наследству

## 7. падение; унижение

8. 1) внезапное нападение, *особ.* с моря; десант

descent upon the enemy - нападение на противника

to make a descent upon smb. - обрушиться на кого-л.

2) *разг.* облава

the police made a descent upon the nightclub - полиция устроила налёт на ночной клуб

9. *лог.* переход от общего к частному

◇ a descent from the sublime to the ridiculous is quick - от великого до смешного один шаг

Descent from the Cross - *библ., жив.* снятие с креста**descent**

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**des·cent** [descent descents] *BrE* [di'sent] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE* [di'sent] <sup>ˈ</sup> noun (formal)1. **countable, usually singular** an action of coming or going down

• The plane began its descent to Heathrow.

• (figurative) the country's swift descent into anarchy

**Opp:** ↑ ascent2. **countable** a slope going downwards

• There is a gradual descent to the sea.

**Opp:** ↑ ascent3. **uncountable** a person's family origins**Syn:** ↑ ancestry

• to be of Scottish descent

• ~ **from sb** He traces his line of descent from the Stuart kings.Word Origin:Middle English: from Old French *descente*, from *descendre* 'to descend', from Latin *descendere*, from *de-* 'down' + *scandere* 'to climb'.Example Bank:

- Humans and other apes followed separate lines of descent from a common ancestor.
- I made a slow and painful descent down the stairs.
- Most European languages have a common descent.
- She claims direct descent from Queen Victoria.
- She is Hungarian by descent.
- She is of mixed European and African descent.
- The engines failed on the plane's descent to Newark.
- The plane began its gentle descent to Heathrow.
- The plane was making its final descent so we had to fasten our seat belts.
- The space capsule used parachutes to slow its descent.
- They began the difficult descent of the mountain's south face.
- We slowed the balloon's rate of descent.
- groups sharing common descent

- his descent into alcoholism
- the descent from the top of the mountain
- people of West Indian descent

## descent

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deɪscent /dɪ'sent/ BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> noun

1. [uncountable and countable] *formal* the process of going down **OPP ascent**:  
ˈ Passengers must fasten their seat belts prior to descent.

descent from/to

ˈ The descent to Base Camp took about two days.

2. [uncountable] your family origins, especially your nationality or relationship to someone important who lived a long time ago  
of Russian/Italian etc descent

ˈ young men and women of Asian descent

descent from

ˈ The emperor claimed descent from David.

by descent

ˈ They're Irish by descent.

3. [countable] a path or road that goes down a slope **OPP ascent**

descent from/to

ˈ There is no direct descent from the summit.

4. [singular] a gradual change towards behaviour or a situation that is very bad

descent into alcoholism/chaos/madness etc

ˈ his descent into drug abuse

5. [singular] *British English* a sudden unwanted visit or attack:

ˈ the descent on the town by a motorcycle gang

## descent

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