

accumulate

[ə'kju:mjuleɪt] v

1. 1) накапливать; аккумулировать
to accumulate a fortune - составить состояние
- 2) скопляться; накапливаться
- 3) нарастать
2. собирать (данные и т. п.)
composer accumulating one award after another - композитор, получающий одну награду за другой
3. **унив.**
 - 1) сдавать несколько экзаменов для одновременного получения двух учёных степеней
 - 2) сдавать экзамены в сжатые сроки

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ac-cu-mu-late **AW** [accumulate accumulates accumulated accumulating] **BrE**

[ə'kju:mjəleɪt] **NAmE** [ə'kju:mjəleɪt] **t** verb

1. **transitive** ~ **sth** to gradually get more and more of sth over a period of time

Syn: ↑amass

- I seem to have accumulated a lot of books.
- By investing wisely she accumulated a fortune.
- We have accumulated a great amount of evidence.

2. **intransitive** to gradually increase in number or quantity over a period of time

Syn: ↑build up

- Debts began to accumulate.
- Dust and dirt soon accumulate if a house is not cleaned regularly.

Derived Word ↑**accumulation**

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we /they	accumulate
	BrE /ə'kju:mjəleɪt/
	NAmE /ə'kju:mjəleɪt/
he / she /it	accumulates
	BrE /ə'kju:mjəleɪtɪz/
	NAmE /ə'kju:mjəleɪtɪz/
past simple, past participle	accumulated
	BrE /ə'kju:mjəleɪtɪd/
	NAmE /ə'kju:mjəleɪtɪd/
-ing form	accumulating
	BrE /ə'kju:mjəleɪtɪŋ/
	NAmE /ə'kju:mjəleɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late 15th cent.: from Latin **accumulat-** 'heaped up', from the verb **accumulare**, from **ad-** 'to' + **cumulus** 'a heap'.

Synonyms:

collect

gather • accumulate • amass

These words all mean to get more of sth over a period of time, or to increase in quantity over a period of time.

collect • to bring things or information together from different people or places; to gradually increase in amount in a place: ▫ We've been collecting data from various sources. ▫ Dirt had collected in the corners of the room.

People sometimes **collect** things of a particular type as a hobby: ▫ to collect stamps .

gather • to bring things together that have been spread around; to collect information from different sources: ▫ I waited while he gathered up ▫ his papers. ▫ Detectives have spent months gathering evidence.

collect or gather?

Both **collect** and **gather** can be used in the same way to talk about bringing together data, information or evidence. When talking about things, **gather** is used with words like **things**, **belongings** or **papers** when the things are spread around within a short distance. **Collect** is used for getting examples of sth from different people or places that are physically separated.

accumulate • (rather formal) to gradually get more and more of sth over a period of time; to gradually increase in number or quantity over a period of time: ▫ I seem to have accumulated a lot of books. ▫ Debts began to accumulate.

amass • (rather formal) to collect sth in large quantities, especially money, debts or information: ▫ He amassed a fortune from silver mining.

to collect/gather/accumulate/amass **data/evidence/information**

to accumulate/amass **a fortune/debts**

dirt/dust/debris collects/accumulates

to **gradually/slowly** collect/gather/accumulate (sth)

Example Bank:

- Children gradually accumulate knowledge as they grow up.
- Dirt must not be allowed to accumulate.
- Evidence began to accumulate, suggesting that the drug had harmful side-effects.

- Toxic chemicals tend to accumulate in the body.
- seas and lakes where sedimentary deposits are slowly accumulating
- the wealth he had accumulated over the years

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[Word Family: verb: ↑accumulate; noun: ↑accumulation; adverb: ↑accumulatively; adjective: ↑accumulative]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of accumulare, from ad- 'to' + cumulare 'to pile up']

1. [transitive] to gradually get more and more money, possessions, knowledge etc over a period of time:

It is unjust that a privileged few should continue to accumulate wealth.

2. [intransitive] to gradually increase in numbers or amount until there is a large quantity in one place:

Fat tends to accumulate around the hips and thighs.

—**accumulation** /ə,kju:mjə'leɪən, ə,kju:mjə'leɪən/ noun [uncountable and countable]:

the accumulation of data

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In everyday English, people usually say **build up** rather than **accumulate** :

- These chemicals tend to build up in the soil.

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- **collect** to get things of the same type from different places and bring them together: She collects stamps (=as a hobby). | They have collected 650 signatures for their petition.
- **gather** to collect information from different places, or to collect crops, flowers, wood etc, especially from the ground: Computers make it easier to gather information. | The men gathered firewood.
- **assemble** *formal* to collect something such as information in an organized way: When all the evidence is assembled, we will write our report.
- **build up** to gradually collect more things of the same type overtime: He has built up one of the country's finest collections of art.
- **accumulate** to gradually get more and more of something such as money, possessions, or knowledge, overtime. **Accumulate** is more formal than **build up**: He is driven by the desire to accumulate wealth.
- **amass** to collect a large amount of something such as money, information, or knowledge, overtime: Carnegie amassed a fortune in the steel industry.
- **run up a bill/debt/loss** *informal* to allow a debt to increase quickly, especially by spending too much: He ran up huge gambling debts.

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