

# spontaneous

[spɒnˈteɪniəs] *a*

- самопроизвольный, стихийный, спонтанный  
 spontaneous combustion - самовоспламенение, самовозгорание  
 spontaneous gangrene - *мед.* самопроизвольная /спонтанная/ гангрена  
 spontaneous generation - самозарождение  
 spontaneous movement - стихийное движение  
 spontaneous recovery from a severe illness - ≅ опасная болезнь прошла сама по себе
- добровольный, не принуждённый  
 he made a spontaneous offer of his services - он добровольно предложил свои услуги
- непроизвольный, непосредственный  
 spontaneous admiration [enthusiasm] - искреннее восхищение [-ий энтузиазм]  
 spontaneous suggestion - невольное предположение
- бот.* дикорастущий, дикий

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**spɒnˈteɪniəs** *BrE* [spɒnˈteɪniəs] <sup>1</sup> *NAmE* [spɑːnˈteɪniəs] *adjective*

- not planned but done because you suddenly want to do it
  - a spontaneous offer of help
  - The audience burst into spontaneous applause.
- often doing things without planning to, because you suddenly want to do them
- (technical)** happening naturally, without being made to happen
  - spontaneous remission of the disease
- done naturally, without being forced or practised
  - a tape recording of spontaneous speech
  - a wonderfully spontaneous performance of the piece

Derived Word ↑spontaneously

Word Origin:

mid 17th cent.: from late Latin **spontaneus** (from **(sua) sponte** 'of (one's) own accord') + ↑-ous.

Thesaurus:

**spontaneous** [**spontaneous** **spontaneously**] *adj.*

- The audience burst into spontaneous applause.
- impromptu** • **impulsive** • **informal off-the-cuff** • a spontaneous/an impulsive **gesture/reaction/act** a spontaneous/an off-the-cuff **remark**

Example Bank:

- It was a wonderfully spontaneous performance of the piece.
- What had prompted this spontaneous offer of help?

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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[**Date:** 1600-1700; **Language:** Late Latin; **Origin:** spontaneus, from Latin sponte 'of your own free will']

- something that is spontaneous has not been planned or organized, but happens by itself, or because you suddenly feel you want to do it:
  - The crowd gave a spontaneous cheer.
  - My spontaneous reaction was to run away.
- someone who is spontaneous does things without planning them first – used to show approval  
**—spontaneously** *adverb*:  
 She laughed spontaneously.  
**—spontaneity** /,spɒntˈniːəti, spɒntˈniːəti, neɪəti \$ ,spɑːnˈteɪniəti *noun* [uncountable]

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