

# straighten

[ˈstreɪtn] *v*

1. 1) **выпрямлять, расправлять** (*мж.* straighten out)

- to straighten a piece of wire - выпрямить кусок проволоки
- to straighten one's shoulders - расправить плечи
- to straighten one's back - выпрямиться
- to straighten the front lines - **воен.** выпрямлять линию фронта
- to straighten (out) a plane - выравнивать самолёт

2) **выпрямляться; разгибаться** (*мж.* straighten up)

the old man had some difficulty in straightening (himself) up - старик разогнулся не без труда

2. (*часто* straighten out)

1) **разобраться** (*в чём-л.*); **выяснить; разъяснить**

- to straighten out a tangle - разобраться в путанице, распутать узел
- to straighten out a very complicated subject - разобраться в очень сложной теме
- to straighten out a quarrel - уладить ссору
- to straighten a misunderstanding - выяснить недоразумение
- to straighten out one's affairs - привести в порядок свои дела
- the disagreement between them will not be straightened out /will not straighten itself out/ overnight- их разногласия не скоро сгладятся

2) **исправляться, улаживаться**

- things will straighten out - всё наладится /образуется/
- I'd like to see world affairs straighten out - мечтаю, чтобы международные отношения улучшились

3. **выправлять, приводить в порядок** (*мж.* straighten up)

- to straighten one's tie - поправить галстук
- to straighten (up) a room - привести комнату в порядок
- to straighten one's skirt - одёрнуть юбку

4. **разг.** **исправляться, начинать вести честный, добропорядочный образ жизни**

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

straight·en [straɪtən straɪtəns straɪtənd straɪtənɪŋ] *BrE* [ˈstreɪtn]

*NAmE* [ˈstreɪtn] *verb*

1. **transitive, intransitive** to become straight; to make sth straight

- ~ **sth (out)** I straightened my tie and walked in.
- ~ **(out)** The road bends here then straightens out.

2. **transitive, intransitive** to make your body straight and vertical

- ~ **sth** He stood up and straightened his shoulders.
- ~ **sth/yourself up** I straightened myself up to answer the question.
- ~ **(up)** Straighten up slowly, then repeat the exercise ten times.

Derived ↑straighten somebody out ▪ ↑straighten something out ▪ ↑straighten something up

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	straighten
	BrE / ˈstreɪtn/
	NAmE / ˈstreɪtn/
he / she / it	straightens
	BrE / ˈstreɪtnz/
	NAmE / ˈstreɪtnz/
past simple, past participle	straightened
	BrE / ˈstreɪtnd/
	NAmE / ˈstreɪtnd/
-ing form	straightening
	BrE / ˈstreɪtnɪŋ/
	NAmE / ˈstreɪtnɪŋ/

Example Bank:

- She walked around my room, straightening things that didn't need to be straightened.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

straight·en /ˈstreɪtn/ *BrE* *AmE* *verb*

[**Word Family:** *verb:* ↑straighten; *noun:* ↑straight; *adverb:* ↑straight; *adjective:* ↑straight]

1. [**intransitive and transitive**] (*also* **straighten out**) to become straight, or to make something straight:

Can you straighten your leg?

2. [**intransitive**] (*also* **straighten up**) to make your back straight, or to stand up straight after bending down

3. [**transitive**] (*also* **straighten up**) to make something tidy:

Mum told me to straighten my room.

**straighten out** *phrasal verb*

- 1. **straighten something ↔ out** to deal with problems or a confused situation and make it better, especially by organizing things

**SYN sort out:**

There are several financial problems that need to be straightened out quickly.

- 2. to become straight, or to make something straight:

The path soon bends to the right, then straightens out.

**straighten something ↔out**

She straightened out her legs.

**3. to improve your bad behaviour or deal with personal problems, or to help someone do this:**

He straightened out when he joined the army.

**straighten somebody ↔out**

Her parents changed her school, hoping it would straighten her out.

**straighten up phrasal verb**

**1. to make your back straight, or to stand up straight after bending down:**

He remained bent over for several seconds before slowly straightening up.

**2. straighten something ↔up** to make something tidy

**3. American English** to begin to behave well after behaving badly:

You'd better straighten up, young lady!

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