

indulge

[ɪnˈdʌldʒ] v

- 1) быть снисходительным (к кому-л.); потворствовать; *разг.* потакать
 to indulge smb.'s desires [whims /fancies/] - потакать чьим-л. желаниям [причудам]
 to indulge a sick person - выполнять капризы больного
 to indulge one's children - баловать своих детей, потакать своим детям
 you can't indulge every creature - на всех не угодишь
- 2) (*обыкн.* in) доставить себе удовольствие, не отказать себе (в удовольствии); позволить себе
 to indulge in amusements - предаваться удовольствиям
 to indulge in a cigar [in a nap] - позволить себе /не отказать себе в удовольствии/ выкурить сигару [вздremнуть]
 to indulge in noisy games - с удовольствием играть в шумные игры
 he seldom indulges in a holiday [in a new suit] - он редко позволяет себе отдохнуть [купить новый костюм]
 to indulge a vain hope - льстить себя пустой /тщетной/ надеждой, обольщаться
2. (with) доставлять удовольствие, развлекать
 he indulged the company with a song - он развлекал компанию /гостей/ пением
 to indulge oneself with a cigar - с удовольствием выкурить сигару [*ср. тж.* 1, 2)]
3. *разг.* выпивать
 I'm afraid he indulges too much - я боюсь, что он много пьёт
 will you indulge? - *шутл.* выпьешь?
4. *ком.* дать отсрочку платежа по векселю

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in·dulge [indulge indulges indulged indulging] BrE [ɪnˈdʌldʒ] ^u NAmE

[ɪnˈdʌldʒ] ^u verb

1. **intransitive, transitive** to allow yourself to have or do sth that you like, especially sth that is considered bad for you
 - ~ **in sth** They went into town to indulge in some serious shopping.
 - She has never been one to indulge in gossip.
 - ~ **yourself (with sth)** I indulged myself with a long hot bath.
2. **transitive ~ sth** to satisfy a particular desire, interest, etc
 - The inheritance enabled him to indulge his passion for art.
 - In the closing lines, the poet indulges his sense of irony.
3. **transitive** to be too generous in allowing sb to have or do whatever they like
 - ~ **sb (with sth)** She did not believe in indulging the children with presents.
 - His questions were annoying but it was easier to indulge him than try and protest.
 - ~ **sth** Her father had always **indulged her every whim** .
4. **intransitive ~ in sth** to take part in an activity, especially one that is illegal

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	indulge
	BrE /ɪnˈdʌldʒ/
	NAmE /ɪnˈdʌldʒ/
he / she / it	indulges
	BrE /ɪnˈdʌldʒɪz/
	NAmE /ɪnˈdʌldʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	indulged
	BrE /ɪnˈdʌldʒd/
	NAmE /ɪnˈdʌldʒd/
-ing form	indulging
	BrE /ɪnˈdʌldʒɪŋ/
	NAmE /ɪnˈdʌldʒɪŋ/

Word Origin:

early 17th cent. (in the sense 'treat with excessive kindness'): from Latin *indulgere* 'give free rein to'.

Example Bank:

- For a special treat, indulge yourself with one of these luxury desserts.
- She was free to indulge in a little romantic daydreaming.

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[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Latin; Origin: indulgere]

1. [**intransitive and transitive**] to let yourself do or have something that you enjoy, especially something that is considered bad for you
 - indulge in**
 - Most of us were too busy to indulge in heavy lunchtime drinking.
 - Eva had never been one to indulge in self-pity.
 - indulge yourself**
 - Even if you're dieting, you can indulge yourself (=eat what you want) once in a while.
 - Ray has enough money to indulge his taste for expensive wines.
2. [**transitive**] to let someone have or do whatever they want, even if it is bad for them:
 - His mother spoiled him, indulging his every whim.

3. [intransitive] to take part in an activity, especially an illegal one

indulge in

" Women do not indulge in crime to the same extent as men.

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