

represent[ˌreprɪˈzɛnt] *v*

1. изображать *или* представлять (*в каком-л. аспекте*); разъяснять
 the work represents the character of the country - в этой работе описывается характер страны
 I will represent to him the danger he is running - я расскажу ему о тех опасностях, которым он подвергается
 let me try to represent my idea to you in another way /in different terms/ - разрешите изложить свою мысль несколько иначе /другими словами/
2. 1) изображать, рисовать *и т. п.*
 she desired to be represented as a shepherdess - ей хотелось, чтобы художник изобразил её в виде пастушки
 2) быть изображением, изображать
 the picture represents a hunting scene - картина изображает охотничью сцену
3. 1) обозначать
 to represent musical sounds by notes - обозначать звуки музыки нотами
 phonetic signs represent sounds - фонетические значки изображают звуки
 such excuses represent nothing to me - подобные оправдания ничего для меня не значат
 2) олицетворять; символизировать
 the flag represents the nation - флаг - символ страны
 a movie hero who represents the ideal of our culture - киногерой, олицетворяющий идеал современной культуры
4. 1) исполнять роль
 the characters he represented on the stage - те характеры, которые он изображал на сцене
 2) ставить на сцене
 to represent a play - поставить пьесу на сцене; сыграть пьесу
5. 1) *обыкн. pass* представлять
 all the twelve guilds were represented in the procession - все двенадцать гильдий были представлены в процессии
 our firm is represented in India by Mr. N. - представителем нашей фирмы в Индии является г-н Н.
 many countries were represented by their Ambassadors - многие страны были представлены своими послами
 a genus represented by two species - род, состоящий из двух видов
 2) быть представителем, представлять
 he represented the town in Parliament - он был представителем города в парламенте
 to represent one's government in a foreign country - представлять своё правительство в одном из иностранных государств
 MPs representing Welsh constituencies - члены парламента от валлийских избирательных округов
6. (*часто as*) изображать (*кого-л.*); выдавать (*за кого-л.*)
 he represented himself as an expert - он выдавал себя за эксперта; он изображал специалиста
 the candidate was careful to represent himself as a man of the people - кандидат усиленно подчёркивал, что он выходец из народа
 I'm not what you represented me to be - я не таков, каким вы меня изобразили
7. заявлять (*протест и т. п.*); делать представление
 they represented their grievances to the governor - они изложили свои жалобы губернатору
 he represented to the magistrate that the offender was only a child - *юр.* он обратил внимание судьи, что правонарушителю ещё нет четырнадцати лет
8. представлять себе; создавать мысленный образ; вызывать в памяти
9. соответствовать; заменять, быть эквивалентом

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rep-re-sent [represent represents represented representing] *BrE* [ˌreprɪˈzɛnt]" *NAmE* [ˌreprɪˈzɛnt] " *verb***ACT/SPEAK FOR SB**

1. *often passive* ~ **sb/sth** to be a member of a group of people and act or speak on their behalf at an event, a meeting, etc
 - The competition attracted over 500 contestants representing 8 different countries.
 - Local businesses are well represented on the committee (= there are a lot of people from them on the committee).
 - The opening speech was by Bob Alan representing Amnesty International.
 - The President was represented at the ceremony by the Vice-President.
2. ~ **sb/sth** to act or speak officially for sb and defend their interests
 - The union represents over 200 000 teachers.
 - The association was formed to **represent the interests of** women artists.
 - Ms Dale is representing the defendant (= is his/her lawyer) in the case.
 - As an MP, it is my duty to represent my constituents.

BE EQUAL TO

3. *linking verb* + **noun** (not used in the progressive tenses) to be sth

Syn: †constitute

- This contract represents 20% of the company's annual revenue
- This decision represents a significant departure from previous policy.
- He got rid of anyone who represented a challenge to his authority.
- The peace plan represents (= is the result of) weeks of negotiation.
- These results represent a major breakthrough in AIDS research.

BE EXAMPLE OF

4. **no passive** ~ **sth** to be an example or expression of sth

Syn: typical of

- a project representing all that is good in the community
- Those comments do not represent the views of us all.

BE SYMBOL

5. ~ **sth** (not used in the progressive tenses) to be a symbol of sth

Syn: ↑symbolize

- Each colour on the chart represents a different department.
- Wind direction is represented by arrows.
- The artist uses doves to represent peace.

IN PICTURE

6. ~ **sb/sth (as sb/sth)** | ~ **sb/sth doing sth (formal)** to show sb/sth, especially in a picture

Syn: ↑depict

- The carvings represent a hunting scene.
- The Egyptian goddess is represented as a woman with cow's horns.
- The map represents Italy in the 12th century.
- The results are represented in fig.3 below.

DESCRIBE

7. ~ **sb (as sth) (formal)** to present or describe sb/sth in a particular way, especially when this may not be fair

- The king is represented as a villain in the play.
- The risks were represented as negligible.

MAKE FORMAL STATEMENT

8. ~ **sth (to sb)** | ~ **that...** (formal) to make a formal statement to sb in authority to make your opinions known or to protest

- They represented their concerns to the authorities.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	represent
	BrE / ,reprɪˈzɛnt/
	NAmE / ,reprɪˈzɛnt/
he / she / it	represents
	BrE / ,reprɪˈzɛnts/
	NAmE / ,reprɪˈzɛnts/
past simple, past participle	represented
	BrE / ,reprɪˈzɛntɪd/
	NAmE / ,reprɪˈzɛntɪd/
-ing form	representing
	BrE / ,reprɪˈzɛntɪŋ/
	NAmE / ,reprɪˈzɛntɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French **representer** or Latin **repraesentare**, from **re-** (expressing intensive force) + **praesentare** 'to present'.

Thesaurus:

represent verb

1. **linking verb** (not used in the progressive tenses) (written)

- The results represent a breakthrough in AIDS research.

pose • • **amount to sth** • | **formal constitute** •

represent/pose/amount to/constitute a **challenge** /**threat**

represent/pose/constitute a **problem** /**danger** /**risk**

represent/amount to/constitute a/an **failure** /**increase** /**breach**

a/an **result** /**activity** /**action** represents/constitutes sth

Represent or constitute? **Represent** is used especially with words relating to change; **constitute** is used to talk about more dangerous or negative situations or acts

- This represents a change/turning point/decline.
- This constitutes a crime/nuisance/refusal.

2. **T, no passive**

- The artist uses doves to represent peace.

symbolize • • **embody** • • **typify** • • **epitomize** • | **formal exemplify** •

represent/symbolize/embody/epitomize the **spirit** /**essence** of sth

represent/embody/exemplify a/an **idea** /**ideal** /**principle**

Represent, symbolize or embody? Sometimes you can use any of these words

- He came to represent/embody/symbolize his country's struggle for independence.

Embody is used to talk about real people becoming the basis for other people's hopes. You use **symbolize** to talk about objects being used to give the idea of sth. **Represent** is the most general word and can be used to mean 'express'

- The comments represent the views of the majority.

Example Bank:

- Our average margins dropped to 35%, which represents a reduction in gross margins of £109 million.
- The country's economic record since 1945 represents an improvement on the period between the world wars.
- The demonstration represents a direct challenge to the new law.
- The peace plan represents weeks of negotiation.
- The talks represented the first significant move towards peace.
- These figures represent a return of 8.5% per annum.
- These proposals represent a dramatic shift in policy.
- This contract represents 20% of the company's annual revenue
- This figure represents a fall of 21% on the same period last year.
- This represents a swing of 14% towards Labour.
- This represents an apparent reversal in US policy.
- He admitted falsely representing to police officers that the car had been stolen.
- He was chosen to represent Scotland in three consecutive World Cup Finals.
- How can we all be adequately represented by one political party?
- It is not clear what these symbols were intended to represent.
- Local businesses are well represented on the committee.
- Representing an image accurately requires a great many bytes of digital information.
- The book purported to represent the lives of ordinary people.
- The data can be represented graphically in a line diagram.
- The film represents women as victims.
- The suspect must appear and may be legally represented.
- We have been ably represented in our efforts by our attorney.
- Women and men were represented equally on the teams.
- Women are disproportionately represented among welfare recipients.
- leaders who truly represent the interests of working families
- organizations claiming to represent farmers
- The project represents all that is good in the community.
- The results are represented in fig 3 below.

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rep **re** **re** **sent** **S2 W1** /,reprɪ'zent/ **BrE** **AmE** **verb**

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑representation, ↑representative; **adjective**: ↑representative ≠ ↑unrepresentative, ↑representational; **verb**: ↑represent]

[**Date**: 1300-1400; **Language**: Old French; **Origin**: representer, from Latin repraesentare, from praesentare; ⇒ ↑present²]

1. SPEAK FOR SOMEBODY [**transitive**] to officially speak or take action for another person or group of people:

Mr Kobayashi was chosen to represent the company at the conference.

2. IN COURT [**transitive**] to speak officially for someone in a court of law

represent yourself

She decided to represent herself (=speak for herself without a lawyer) during the trial.

3. BE SOMETHING [**linking verb**] to form or be something ⇒ **amount to**:

European orders represented 30 percent of our sales last year.

represent a change/an advance/an increase etc

This treatment represents a significant advance in the field of cancer research.

4. GOVERNMENT [**transitive**] to have been elected to a parliament, council etc by the people in a particular area:

He represents the Congressional District of Illinois.

5. SIGN [**transitive**] to be a sign or mark that means something **SYN stand for**:

Brown areas represent deserts on the map.

6. SYMBOL [**transitive**] to be a symbol of something **SYN symbolize**:

He hated the school and everything it represented.

7. SPORTS [**transitive**] if you represent your country, school, town etc in a sport, you take part in a sports event for that country etc:

Her greatest ambition was to represent her country at the Olympics.

8. be represented if a group, organization, area etc is represented at an event, people from it are at the event:

All the local clubs were represented in the parade.

9. DESCRIBE [**transitive**] to describe someone or something in a particular way, especially in a way that is not true **SYN portray** ⇒ **depict**

represent somebody/something as something

The article represents the millionaire as a simple family man.

He had represented himself as an employee in order to gain access to the files.

10. ART [**transitive**] if a painting, ↑statue, piece of music etc represents something or someone, it shows them:

Paintings representing religious themes were common in medieval times.

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THESAURUS

- **describe** to talk or write about a person, place, event etc, in order to show what they are like: Could you try and describe the man you saw? | In her book, she describes her journey across the Sahara. | Police described the attack as particularly violent.
- **tell somebody about somebody/something** to describe someone or something to someone. This phrase is more commonly used than **describe** in everyday spoken English: So, tell me about your holiday! | My friends have told me all about you!
- **depict** *formal* to describe someone or something in a piece of writing: His stories depict life in Trinidad as seen through the

eyes of a young boy. | In this new biography she is depicted as a lonely and unhappy woman.

- **portray/represent formal** to describe someone or something in a particular way: College teachers are often represented on television shows as slightly eccentric. | The magazine has been criticized for the way it portrays women. | The treatment has been portrayed as a painless way of curing cancer, which is simply not true. | Police have represented her as a willing participant in the crimes.

- **characterize somebody/something as something formal** to describe someone or something by emphasizing one particular quality or feature about them: He characterized himself as 'an average American'. | The successful schools were characterized as innovative and creative.

- **paint somebody/something as something** to describe someone or something, especially in a way that makes people believe something that is not true: Not all young people are as bad as they're painted in the press. | We won, yet the media is painting it as a victory for our opponents. | The woman was painted as having only a slight grasp of reality.

- **paint a picture** to describe a situation, so that people can get a general idea of what it is like: Can you paint a picture of life in Japan for us? | My uncle's letters generally painted a rosy picture of how things were. | The report painted a bleak picture of the management's failures.

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