

precedent**1. ['presɪd(ə)nt] *n***

(судебный) прецедент

to set /to create/ a precedent - создать прецедент

to invoke a precedent - сослаться на прецедент

without precedent - беспрецедентный не имеющий прецедента, беспремерный, небывалый

there's no precedent for this - это беспрецедентный случай

2. ['presɪd(ə)nt] *a*

предшествующий

precedent events - предшествующие события

precedent chapter - предшествующая глава

conditions precedent - предварительные условия

precedent

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pre-ce-dent **AW** [precedent precedents] **BrE** ['presɪd(ə)nt] **NAme** ['presɪd(ə)nt]**noun****1. countable, uncountable** an official action or decision that has happened in the past and that is seen as an example or a rule to be followed in a similar situation later• The ruling **set a precedent** for future libel cases.**2. countable, uncountable** a similar action or event that happened earlier

• historical precedents

• There is no precedent for a disaster of this scale.

• Such protests are **without precedent** in recent history.**3. uncountable** the way that things have always been done**Syn:** ↑tradition

• to break with precedent (= to do sth in a different way)

see also ↑unprecedented**Word Origin:**

late Middle English: from Old French, literally preceding.

Example Bank:

- Overturning a legal precedent is no easy matter.
- The achievements of this period were without precedent in history.
- The judge based his decision on precedents set during the Middle Ages.
- The ruling does not set a binding precedent.
- There are many literary precedents for this strategy.
- There is a strong precedent for such a strategy.
- There is ample precedent for this tactic.
- There is no obvious precedent for this law.
- There was a federal court precedent for this.
- This case could serve as a precedent for others against the tobacco companies.
- This lowering of standards sets a dangerous precedent for future developments.
- This would have set a dangerous new precedent.
- The decision of the local authority was based on historical precedent.

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pre-ce-dent **AC** /'presɪd(ə)nt, 'presɪd(ə)nt/ **BrE** **AmE** **noun**[**Word Family:** verb: ↑precede; noun: ↑precedent; adjective: ↑preceding]**1. [countable]** an action or official decision that can be used to give support to later actions or decisions:a **legal precedent****set/create a precedent**

UN involvement in the country's affairs would set a dangerous precedent.

precedent for

precedents for what courts will accept as 'fair'

2. [uncountable and countable] something of the same type that has happened or existed before**precedent for**

There's not much precedent for men taking leave when their baby is born.

without precedent

An epidemic on this scale is without precedent.

3. [uncountable] the way that things have always been done**break with precedent** (=do something in a new way)

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COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1 & 2)**■ verbs**

- **set/establish a precedent** The decision is important as it could set a legal precedent for other similar cases.
- **create a precedent** If we allow this once, it will create a precedent.
- **follow a precedent** Now he is following a precedent set by military leaders around the world.
- **use something as a precedent** Latin America was afraid that the invasion of Panama would be used as a precedent.

■ adjectives

- **a bad precedent** Such a harsh punishment would set a bad precedent.
- **a dangerous precedent** (=one that could cause problems in the future) They opposed the plan, saying it would create a dangerous precedent.
- **an important precedent** By doing this, an important precedent was established.
- **a legal precedent** (=one that is important in law and so must be followed in legal cases) There are several legal precedents for this.

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