

**knowledge**[ˈnɒlɪdʒ] *n*

## 1. 1) знание; познания, эрудиция

knowledge of life [music, chemistry, French] - знание жизни [музыки, химии, французского языка]

knowledge on the subject - знания /познания/ по данному предмету

lack of knowledge - недостаток знаний /эрудиции/

a matter of common knowledge - всем известный вопрос

to accumulate [to acquire, to get] knowledge - накапливать [приобретать, получать] знания

to have a reading knowledge of a language - уметь читать на каком-л. языке

to have a working knowledge of a language - практически владеть каким-л. языком

to speak with full knowledge of the facts - говорить со знанием всех обстоятельств (дела)

to speak from one's own knowledge - говорить, основываясь на собственных знаниях /-ом опыте/

## 2) наука; сумма знаний

branches of human knowledge - отрасли знаний, накопленных человечеством, отрасли науки

## 2. 1) осведомлённость, сведения

first knowledge of inoculation - первые сведения о прививках

the knowledge of the victory soon spread - известие /весть/ о победе вскоре облетелавсех

to have no knowledge of anything, anybody - не иметь ни малейшего представления ни о чём, ни о ком

to come to smb.'s knowledge - стать известным кому-л.

it has come to my knowledge that you ... - до меня дошли сведения, что вы ...

to the best of my knowledge - насколько мне известно

to my certain knowledge - мне достоверно известно

not to my knowledge - мне это неизвестно; насколько мне известно - нет

without smb.'s knowledge - без чьего-л. ведома

it has happened twice within my knowledge - на моей памяти так было два раза

## 2) понимание

to have no knowledge of good and evil - не отличать добро от зла

a subtle knowledge of a subject - тонкое понимание вопроса

## 3. знакомство

my knowledge of Mr. X is very slight - я очень мало знаю г-на X

people of whom I had no knowledge - люди, о которых я понятия не имел

## 4. арх. полая близость

carnal knowledge - полые сношения

**knowledge**

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**know·ledge** [knowledge knowledges] BrE [ˈnɒlɪdʒ] <sup>ː</sup> NAmE [ˈnɑːlɪdʒ] <sup>ː</sup> noun1. **uncountable, singular** the information, understanding and skills that you gain through education or experience

• practical/medical/scientific knowledge

• ~ **of/about sth** He has a wide knowledge of painting and music.

• There is a lack of knowledge about the tax system.

2. **uncountable** the state of knowing about a particular fact or situation• She sent the letter **without my knowledge**.• The film was made with the Prince's **full knowledge** and approval• She was impatient **in the knowledge that** time was limited.• I went to sleep **secure in the knowledge** that I was not alone in the house.• They could relax **safe in the knowledge** that they had the funding for the project.• He **denied all knowledge of** the affair.

## 3. ~ economy/industry/worker working with information rather than producing goods

• the emergence of consultancy as a knowledge industry

• the shift toward a knowledge economy

**more at** to the best of your belief/knowledge **at** <sup>ˈ</sup>best <sub>n</sub>.**Idioms:** <sup>ˈ</sup>come to somebody's knowledge ▪ <sup>ˈ</sup>common knowledge ▪ <sup>ˈ</sup>your knowledgeWord Origin:Middle English (originally as a verb in the sense 'acknowledge, recognize', later as a noun): from an Old English compound based on cnāwan (see <sup>ˈ</sup>know).Thesaurus:**knowledge** noun

## 1. U, sing.

• He has no specialist knowledge of the subject.

**understanding** • • **experience** • • **learning** • • **scholarship** • • **wisdom** • • **enlightenment** • • **lore** •**Opp:** ignoranceknowledge/learning/wisdom/enlightenment **about** sth**practical** knowledge/understanding/experience/wisdom**acquire** knowledge/understanding/experience/learning/wisdom

## 2. U

• She sent the letter without my knowledge.

**awareness** • • **consciousness** • • **realization** • |formal **technical perception** •

**Opp:** ignorance

the knowledge/an awareness/a consciousness/the realization/a perception of sth  
the knowledge/an awareness/a consciousness/the realization/a perception **that...**  
**develop/increase** sb's knowledge/awareness/perception

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## knowledge

**knowl** **edge** **S2 W1** /'nɒlɪdʒ \$ 'nɑː-/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** [uncountable]

[**Word Family:** **adjective:** ↑knowing, ↑knowledgeable, ↑known ≠ ↑unknown; **noun:** ↑knowledge, the unknown; **adverb:** ↑knowingly ≠ ↑unknowingly, ↑knowledgeably; **verb:** ↑know]

[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Origin:** knowledge 'to acknowledge' (13-18 centuries), from know]

1. the information, skills, and understanding that you have gained through learning or experience

**knowledge of**

▪ He did not have much knowledge of American history.

**knowledge about**

▪ the need to increase knowledge about birth control

### REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually say that someone **knows about** something rather than **has knowledge of/about** something:

▪ He didn't know much about American history.

2. when you know about a particular situation or event, or the information you have about it:

▪ Evans denied all knowledge of the robbery.

▪ I had no knowledge of this whatsoever until The Times contacted me.

**(secure/safe) in the knowledge that**

▪ Kay smiled, secure in the knowledge that she was right.

**be common/public knowledge** (=be known about by everyone)

▪ Their affair is public knowledge.

**to (the best of) sb's knowledge** (=used to say that someone may not know the true facts)

▪ To the best of my knowledge, the new project will be starting in June.

▪ To our knowledge, this is the first time it's happened.

▪ 'Is it true that she's leaving the company?' 'Not to my knowledge (=I do not think so).'

**without sb's knowledge**

▪ He was annoyed to find the contract had been signed without his knowledge.

▪ She acted with the full knowledge of her boss (=her boss knew about her action).

▪ Ministers publicly denied that they had prior knowledge of the attack (=they denied that they knew that it was going to happen).

⇒ ↑general knowledge, ⇒ working knowledge at ↑working<sup>1</sup>(9)

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### GRAMMAR

**Knowledge** is an uncountable noun and has no plural form. Use a singular verb after it:

▪ Knowledge comes from research.

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### COLLOCATIONS

#### ■ verbs

▪ **have some knowledge of something** The book assumes that you already have some knowledge of physics.

▪ **get knowledge** (also **gain/acquire knowledge formal**) He gets all his knowledge about politics from watching the television.

▪ **increase/improve your knowledge** If you want to improve your knowledge of the language, you should go and live in France. | In the past twenty years, we have greatly increased our knowledge of how the brain works.

▪ **broaden/expand your knowledge** (=increase your knowledge) The course is designed to help students broaden their knowledge of modern American literature.

▪ **show/demonstrate your knowledge** The test should be an opportunity for students to demonstrate their knowledge.

#### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + knowledge

▪ **general knowledge** (=knowledge about a lot of different subjects) The questions are intended to test your general knowledge.

▪ **scientific/technical knowledge** the practical application of scientific knowledge

▪ **specialist/expert knowledge** Making profitable investments requires specialist knowledge.

▪ **detailed knowledge** You need to have a detailed knowledge of criminal law.

▪ **first-hand/personal knowledge** (=knowledge from experiencing something yourself) writers who had no first-hand knowledge of war

▪ **basic knowledge** (=knowledge of the basic aspects of something) These things are obvious to anyone with even a basic knowledge of computers.

▪ **in-depth/thorough knowledge** (=detailed knowledge about all of a particular subject) He demonstrated an in-depth knowledge of the subject matter.

▪ **considerable/extensive/vast knowledge** She had considerable knowledge of antiques.

▪ **intimate knowledge** (=knowledge about something because you are involved in it) He seemed to have an intimate knowledge of prison life.

▪ **inside knowledge** (=knowledge that you have because you are part of a group) his inside knowledge gained from 20 years in the industry

▪ **background knowledge** (=knowledge that you need before you can understand or do something) The test will show what background knowledge a student brings to the course.

#### ■ phrases

- **a thirst for knowledge** (=a desire to learn more) She arrived at college with a thirst for knowledge.
- **somebody's breadth of knowledge** (=when you know a lot about all the different parts of something) They lack his breadth of knowledge about the industry.

### COMMON ERRORS

- ▶ Do not say '*learn knowledge*'. Say **gain knowledge** or **acquire knowledge**.

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### THESAURUS

- **knowledge** the facts and information that you have learned, and the understanding you have gained: Our knowledge of other cultures and societies has improved. | scientific knowledge
- **expertise** special knowledge about how to do something, that you get through experience, training, or study: The technical expertise was provided by a Japanese company. | They need people with medical expertise.
- **know-how** practical knowledge about how to do something: Business leaders often lack the local know-how to tackle problems in specific countries. | financial know-how
- **wisdom** good sense and judgment, based on knowledge and experience: the wisdom of the older family members | It's a matter of common wisdom that newspapers cannot be trusted.
- **grasp** how much you know about a situation or subject, and how well you understand it: He's been praised for his grasp of the country's economic problems. | She has a good grasp of the language.

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knowledge 52592

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