

incapable

[ɪnˈkeɪpəb(ə)] *a*

1. неспособный; неумелый; некомпетентный
2. неспособный (*на что-л.*), не поддающийся (*чему-л.*)
 incapable of solution - *мат.* не поддающийся решению; неразрешимый
 incapable to lie /of a lie, of telling a lie/ - неспособный лгать, неспособный на ложь
 incapable of pity - не знающий жалости
 incapable of proof - недоказуемый
 incapable of improvement [of exact measurement] - не поддающийся улучшению [точному измерению]
3. *юр.* правоспособный; недееспособный
 ◇ drunk and incapable - мертвецки пьяный

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in·cap·able *AW BrE* [ɪnˈkeɪpəbəl] *AmE* [ɪnˈkeɪpəbəl] *adjective*

1. not able to do sth
 - ~ **of sth** incapable of speech
 - ~ **of doing sth** The children seem to be **totally incapable** of working by themselves.
2. not able to control yourself or your affairs; not able to do anything well
 - He was found lying in the road, drunk and incapable.
 - If people keep telling you you're incapable, you begin to lose confidence in yourself.

Opp: †capable

Word Origin:

[**incapable**] late 16th cent.: from French, or from late Latin *incapabilis*, from *in-* 'not' + *capabilis* (from Latin *capere* 'take or hold').

Example Bank:

- He was apparently physically incapable of lowering his voice.
- She was constitutionally incapable of bad temper.
- The wine had made him incapable of thinking clearly.
- This type of arrangement remains valid even if you become mentally incapable.

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[**Word Family:** *noun:* †capability ≠ †incapability; *adverb:* †capably; *adjective:* †capable ≠ †incapable]

[**not before noun**] not able to do something **OPP** capable

incapable of

- He seemed incapable of understanding how she felt.
- Seventy-five percent of the electorate believe his party is incapable of government.
- The stroke rendered her incapable of speech.

▶ Do not say 'incapable to do something'. Say **incapable of doing something**.

—incapability /ɪnˌkeɪpəˈbɪləti, ɪnˌkeɪpəˈbɪlɪti/ *noun* [uncountable]

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