

honourable1. [ˈɒn(ə)rəb(ə)] *n*

1. (Honourable) лицо, имеющее титул «достопочтенный» [*см.* honourable II 4, 2)]

the guest list was studded with judges, congressmen and other honourables - список приглашённых пестрел именами судей, конгрессменов и других высокопоставленных лиц

2. *редк.* благородная или выдающаяся личность

2. [ˈɒn(ə)rəb(ə)] *a*

1. честный, благородный

honourable man - честный /благородный/ человек

honourable calling - благородное призвание

honourable service - безупречная служба (*в армии и т. п.*)

honourable intentions - честные намерения (*преим. в отношении женитьбы*)

honourable conduct /behaviour/ - благородное поведение

to be honourable in one's obligations - честно относиться к своим обязательствам

such sentiments are entirely honourable to you - такие чувства делают вам честь

an honourable understanding - джентльменское соглашение; устная договорённость

2. благородный, знатный

descended from an honourable family - благородного происхождения

3. почётный

honourable duty - почётная обязанность

honourable peace - почётный мир

honourable distinctions - почётные награды, знаки отличия

honourable burial - погребение с почестями, торжественные похороны

honourable mention - *офиц.* благодарность в приказе

honourable discharge - *амер. воен.* увольнение со службы с хорошей аттестацией

4. 1) уважаемый, почтенный, достопочтенный, достойный

the honourable (and gallant) gentleman /member/ - почтенный джентльмен /член палаты (о члене парламента или конгресса)

my honourable friend - мой достойный друг (*при обращении к члену парламента или конгресса*)

my honourable colleague - многоуважаемый коллега

2) (Honourable) достопочтенный (*в Великобритании титул детей пэров и некоторых сановников; в США также обращение к конгрессменам, судьям и лицам, занимающим др. высокие посты*)

the Honourable John Jones - достопочтенный Джон Джонс

Right /Most/ Honourable - достопочтенный (*титулование знати и некоторых сановников*)

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hon-our-able (especially US **hon-or-able**) *BrE* [ˈɒnərəbəl] * *NAmE* [ˈɑːnərəbəl] *

adjective

1. deserving respect and admiration

• a long and honourable career in government

• They managed an honourable 2–2 draw.

• **With a few honourable exceptions**, the staff were found to be incompetent.

2. showing high moral standards

• an honourable man

3. allowing sb to keep their good name and the respect of others

• an honourable compromise

• They urged her to **do the honourable thing** and resign.

• He received an honourable discharge from the army.

Opp: ↑dishonourable

4. **the Honourable** (abbr. Hon) **only before noun** (in Britain) a title used by a child of some ranks of the ↑nobility

5. **the/my Honourable...** (abbr. Hon) **only before noun** (in Britain), a title used by Members of Parliament when talking about or to another Member during a debate

• If my Honourable Friend would give me a chance to answer,...

• Would the Honourable Member agree that...?

6. (abbr. Hon) a title of respect used by an official of high rank

• the Honorable Alan Simpson, US senator

compare ↑Right Honourable Use **an**, not **a**, before **honourable**.

Derived Word ↑honourably

See also: ↑honorably

Word Origin:

[**honourable** **honourably**] Middle English: via Old French from Latin **honorabilis**, from **honor** 'honour'.

Culture:

In Britain the title **the Honourable** is used for the children of ↑barons and ↑viscounts and the daughters and younger sons of ↑earls. In the US **the Honorable** is used as a title of respect used before the names of certain important officials, but not when speaking to or about them. They include members of ↑Congress, the US ↑Attorney General, members of the ↑Supreme Court, other judges, members of the President's Cabinet, US **ambassadors**, state governors and mayors

Example Bank:

- My intentions were perfectly honourable.
- a very honourable man
- He was an honourable man who could not lie.
- I'm sure she's honourable enough, but does that mean she's the best person to negotiate?
- She had a long and honourable career in government
- The only honourable thing to do is to resign.
- The team managed an honourable 2–2 draw.
- With a few honourable exceptions, most of the staff were found to be incompetent.

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hon-our-a-ble *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *British English, honorable American English* /'ɒnərəbəl \$

^ˈɑːn- *adjective*

1. an honourable action or activity deserves respect and admiration:
^ˈ My father didn't think acting was an honorable profession.
2. behaving in a way that is morally correct and shows you have high moral standards:
^ˈ a principled and honourable man
3. an honourable arrangement or agreement is fair to everyone who is involved in it

—honourably *adverb*

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