

# enlighten

[ɪnˈlaɪtn] v

## 1. просвещать

to enlighten the minds - просвещать умы  
to enlighten the masses - нести просвещение в массы

## 2. осведомлять, ставить в известность, сообщать

to enlighten smb. as to /in regard to/ smth. - осведомлять кого-л. о чём-л.  
he was thoroughly enlightened on the subject - он хорошо осведомлён в этом вопросе  
we hope to enlighten them in regard to the discoveries made during our research - мы надеемся проинформировать их относительно открытий, сделанных нами в ходе исследовательской работы  
the hint enlightened her - после этого намёка ей всё стало ясно  
he enlightened them - он раскрыл им глаза; он поставил их в известность

## 3. поэт. освещать

a smile enlightened her face - улыбка осветила её лицо

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en-light-en [enlighten enlightens enlightened enlightening] BrE [ɪnˈlaɪtn]

NAme [ɪnˈlaɪtn] verb ~ sb (formal)

to give sb information so that they understand sth better

- She didn't enlighten him about her background.

Derived Word ↑enlightening

Verb forms:

| verb forms                   |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| present simple               |                   |
| I / you / we / they          | enlighten         |
|                              | BrE /ɪnˈlaɪtn/    |
|                              | NAme /ɪnˈlaɪtn/   |
| he / she / it                | enlightens        |
|                              | BrE /ɪnˈlaɪtnz/   |
|                              | NAme /ɪnˈlaɪtnz/  |
| past simple, past participle | enlightened       |
|                              | BrE /ɪnˈlaɪtnd/   |
|                              | NAme /ɪnˈlaɪtnd/  |
| -ing form                    | enlightening      |
|                              | BrE /ɪnˈlaɪtnɪŋ/  |
|                              | NAme /ɪnˈlaɪtnɪŋ/ |

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'make luminous'; formerly also as inlighten): in early use from Old English inlīhtan 'to shine'; later from ↑en-, ↑in- (as an intensifier) + ↑lighten 'become brighter' or the noun ↑light.

Example Bank:

- A visit to her partner proved most enlightening.
- Her comments were both enlightening and thought-provoking
- The research should be particularly enlightening about the way the virus is transmitted.

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en-|light-en /ɪnˈlaɪtn/ BrE AmE verb [transitive]

formal to explain something to someone

enlighten somebody as to/on/about something

Baldwin enlightened her as to the nature of the experiment.

—enlightening adjective

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