

# aggravate

[ˈægrəveɪt] v

- 1) ухудшать, усиливать; отягчать  
to aggravate an illness - обострять болезнь  
to aggravate danger - усугублять опасность
- 2) *юр.* отягчать (*вину*)  
2. раздражать (*кожу*); расчёсывать; доводить до воспаления  
the child aggravates the rash by rubbing - ребёнок расчёсывает сыпь
3. *сл.* изводить, раздражать; злить, сердить  
threats will only aggravate her - угрозами её можно только вывести из себя  
if he aggravates me any more I'll hit him - если он не кончит меня изводить, я ему врежу  
the whispering in class aggravates the teacher - перешёптывание в классе бесит учителя

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ag·gra·vate [aggravate aggravates aggravated aggravating] BrE [ˈægrəveɪt]

" NAmE [ˈægrəveɪt] " verb

1. ~ sth to make an illness or a bad or unpleasant situation worse

Syn: ↑worsen

- Pollution can aggravate asthma.
- Military intervention will only aggravate the conflict even further.

2. ~ sb (informal) to annoy sb, especially deliberately

Syn: ↑irritate

Derived Words ↑aggravating = ↑aggravation

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	aggravate
	BrE / ˈægrəveɪt/
	NAmE / ˈægrəveɪt/
he / she / it	aggravates
	BrE / ˈægrəveɪts/
	NAmE / ˈægrəveɪts/
past simple, past participle	aggravated
	BrE / ˈægrəveɪtɪd/
	NAmE / ˈægrəveɪtɪd/
-ing form	aggravating
	BrE / ˈægrəveɪtɪŋ/
	NAmE / ˈægrəveɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from Latin **aggravat** 'made heavy', from the verb **aggravare** from **ad-** (expressing increase) + **gravis** 'heavy'.

Example Bank:

- She found him childish and rather aggravating

Example Bank:

- The government's actions will only aggravate the problem.
- Their negative reactions have greatly aggravated the situation.
- He aggravated an old shoulder injury during the win against Chelsea.

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ag·gra·vate /ˈægrəveɪt/ BrE " AmE " verb [transitive]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of **aggravare** 'to make heavier', from **ad-** 'to' + **gravare** 'to make heavy']

1. to make a bad situation, an illness, or an injury worse **OPP improve** :

- Their money problems were further aggravated by a rise in interest rates.
- Building the new road will only aggravate the situation.

2. to make someone angry or annoyed **SYN irritate** :

- What really aggravates me is the way she won't listen.

—aggravating adjective

—aggravatingly adverb

—aggravation /ˌægrəˈveɪʃən/ noun [uncountable and countable]

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