

oppress

[ə'pres] *v*

1. угнетать, притеснять
to oppress the weak - притеснять слабых
to oppress the people - угнетать народ
2. действовать угнетающе; удручать
to feel oppressed with /by/ the heat - томиться от жары
to be oppressed with /by/ grief [anxiety] - быть удручённым горем [тревогой]
a sense of trouble ahead oppressed my spirits - чувство, что у меня могут быть неприятности угнетало меня

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

op·press [oppress oppresses oppressed oppressing] *BrE* [ə'pres] ^ˈ *NAmE*

[ə'pres] ^ˈ *verb*

1. ~ **sb** to treat sb in a cruel and unfair way, especially by not giving them the same freedom, rights, etc. as other people
 - The regime is accused of oppressing religious minorities.
2. ~ **sb** to make sb only able to think about sad or worrying things
 - The gloomy atmosphere in the office oppressed her.

Syn: weigh down

Derived Word ↑oppression

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	oppress
	BrE /ə'pres/
	NAmE /ə'pres/
he / she / it	oppresses
	BrE /ə'presɪz/
	NAmE /ə'presɪz/
past simple, past participle	oppressed
	BrE /ə'prest/
	NAmE /ə'prest/
-ing form	oppressing
	BrE /ə'presɪŋ/
	NAmE /ə'presɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French **oppresser**, from medieval Latin **oppressare**, from Latin **oppress-** 'pressed against', from the verb **opprimere**.

Example Bank:

- He was beginning to feel oppressed by his surroundings.
- Throughout history, our people have been oppressed and exploited.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

op·press /ə'pres/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *verb* [transitive often passive]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: French; Origin: oppresser, from Latin oppressus, past participle of opprimere 'to press against']

1. to treat a group of people unfairly or cruelly, and prevent them from having the same rights that other people in society have:
 - ˈ native tribes oppressed by the authorities
2. to make someone feel unhappy, worried, or uncomfortable:
 - ˈ The gloom in the chapel oppressed her.

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