

# heighten

[haɪtn] *v*

1. 1) **повышать, усиливать**  
 to heighten an effect - усилить действие /влияние/  
 to heighten (the) interest in smth. - повысить интерес к чему-л.  
 to heighten smb.'s anger - рассердить /разозлить/ кого-л. ещё больше  
 to heighten the plot of a story - усилить сюжетную сторону /фабулу/ рассказа
- 2) **повышаться, усиливаться**  
 her anxiety heightened - её беспокойство росло  
 illness heightened by anxiety - болезнь, усугублённая беспокойством
2. 1) **повышать, делать выше или высоким**  
 the building had been repaired and heightened - это здание было отремонтировано и надстроено
- 2) **повышаться, становиться (более) высоким**  
 as we rode, the rock seemed to heighten - по мере того как мы ехали, нам казалось, что скала становится всё выше и выше
3. **преувеличивать; раздувать**  
 to heighten a description - допускать преувеличение при описании
4. 1) **усиливать интенсивность краски; делать цвет более ярким**  
 2) **оттенять подкрашивать (рисунки); выделять (изображение)**

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**height-en** [heighten heightens heightened heightening] *BrE* ['haɪtn] <sup>o</sup> *NAmE*

['haɪtn] <sup>o</sup> **verb intransitive, transitive**

if a feeling or an effect heightens, or sth heightens it, it becomes stronger or increases

**Syn:** ↑intensify

- Tension has heightened after the recent bomb attack.
- ~ **sth** The campaign is intended to heighten public awareness of the disease.
- His breakdown was followed by a period of heightened activity.
- Fears of further racial conflict were heightened by news of the riots.
- The drug is said to give users a heightened sense of well-being.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	heighten
	<i>BrE</i> / 'haɪtn/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'haɪtn/
he / she / it	heightens
	<i>BrE</i> / 'haɪtnz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'haɪtnz/
past simple, past participle	heightened
	<i>BrE</i> / 'haɪtnɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'haɪtnɪd/
-ing form	heightening
	<i>BrE</i> / 'haɪtnɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'haɪtnɪŋ/

Example Bank:

- This latest attack has greatly heightened fears of an all-out war.
- an exercise which seeks to heighten people's awareness of the problems
- Tension heightened after the recent bomb attack.
- a heightened sense of loneliness/well-being

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**height-en** /'haɪtn/ *BrE* <sup>o</sup> *AmE* <sup>o</sup> **verb [intransitive and transitive]**

[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑height, heights; **verb:** ↑heighten; **adjective:** heightened]

if something heightens a feeling, effect etc, or if a feeling etc heightens, it becomes stronger or increases **SYN intensify** ⇔

**strengthen:**

- There are fears that the march will heighten racial tension.
- Increased levels of fat in the diet could heighten the risk of cancer.

**heighten (sb's) awareness (of something)** (=make people realize something more clearly)

- The case has heightened public awareness of the problem of sexual harassment.

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### THESAURUS

■ **to make something increase**

- **increase** to make something larger in number, amount, or degree: Being overweight increases the risk of having a heart attack. | We need to increase the number of police officers on the streets.
- **put something up** to increase prices, taxes etc. **Put up something** is less formal than **increase**, and is the usual verb to use in everyday English: The landlord has put the rent up again. | They're always putting up gas prices.
- **raise** to increase something such as prices or taxes, or levels or standards: The bank has raised interest rates for the third time this year. | The school aims to raise students' levels of achievement.
- **double/triple** to increase the amount of something so that it is twice or three times as large: The airline plans to double the number of passengers it carries by 2015. | High blood pressure triples the risk of strokes.

- **boost** to increase sales, profits, production etc, especially when they have been lower than you want them to be: Growing affluence has boosted sales. | Oil exports boosted the economy.
- **expand** to increase something so that it contains a wider range of things, or to increase the size of a business: The company plans to expand its retail operations. | Supermarkets have expanded their ranges to include non-food items.
- **extend** to increase something such as your power or influence, or the number of things you are involved in: We are hoping to extend the range of services that we offer. | The company plans to extend its dominance of the world car market.
- **step up something** to increase your efforts or activities, especially to change a situation: Security has been stepped up following the bombing. | Local people have stepped up their campaign to prevent a prison being built in their neighbourhood.
- **heighten** to increase a feeling or effect: The attack has heightened concerns about racism in schools. | Hunger can heighten the effect that alcohol has on you.
- **maximize** to increase something as much as possible: Businesses try to maximize efficiency and cut costs. | To maximize the chances of a successful pregnancy, you should make sure that you eat well.

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Freakuency Pack

12500 **7834**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **4198**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **6k** HEIGHTEN <sup>4465</sup>

heighten <sup>665</sup>

heightens <sup>288</sup>

heightened <sup>3284</sup>

heightening <sup>228</sup>

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

<sup>477</sup> **32129**<sup>493</sup> *vvi*

<sup>166</sup> **57323**<sup>172</sup> *vv0*