

retard

1. [rɪ'tɑ:d] *n*
 1. отставание; запаздывание; промедление
 retard of the tide /of high water/ - *спец.* запаздывание прилива
 to be in retard - отстать
 2. *амер. разг.* слабоумный
2. [rɪ'tɑ:d] *v*
 1) замедлять, задерживать
 to retard development [progress] - сдерживать развитие [прогресс]
 I was retarded by a visitor - меня задержал посетитель
 2) *редк.* задерживаться, запаздывать

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

re-tard [retard retards retarded retarding] *verb, noun*

verb *BrE* [rɪ'tɑːd] ; *NAmE* [rɪ'tɑːrd] ~ **sth** (formal)

to make the development or progress of sth slower

Syn: ↑delay, **Syn:** slow down

- The progression of the disease can be retarded by early surgery.
- The lack of a rail link retarded the town's development

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	retard
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'tɑːd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'tɑːrd/
he / she / it	retards
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'tɑːdz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'tɑːrdz/
past simple, past participle	retarded
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'tɑːdɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'tɑːrɪdɪd/
-ing form	retarding
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'tɑːdɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'tɑːrdɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late 15th cent.: from French *retarder*, from Latin *retardare*, from *re-* 'back' + *tardus* 'slow'.

Derived Word ↑retardation

noun *BrE* ['rɪtɑːd] ; *NAmE* ['rɪtɑːrd] (taboo, slang)

an offensiveway of describing sb who is not intelligent or who has not developed normally

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I. **re-tard**¹ /rɪ'tɑːd/ -ɑːrd *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u *verb* [transitive]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: retardare, from tardus 'slow']

formal to delay the development of something, or to make something happen more slowly than expected **SYN** slow down:

"Cold weather retards the growth of many plants.

II. **re-tard**² /rɪ'tɑːd/ -ɑːrd *BrE* ^u *AmE* ^u *noun* [countable]

spoken not polite an offensiveword for a stupid person

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¹³² **63556**¹⁴¹ *vv0*

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