

obtain

[əb'teɪn] *v*

1. 1) **получать, доставать, приобретать**
 to obtain experience - приобретать опыт
 to obtain a prize [a reward] - получать приз [вознаграждение]
 to obtain a commission - **воен.** получить (патент на) офицерское звание
 to obtain information - добывать сведения
 to obtain the ball off-side - **спорт.** принять мяч «вне игры»
 he obtained his knowledge through years of hard study - он добился своих знаний годами упорной работы
 this gas is obtained from coal - этот газ добывается из угля
- 2) **добиваться, достигать**
 to obtain a position [what one wants] - добиться положения [желаемого]
 to obtain the range - **воен.** определять /пристреливать/ дальность
 to obtain touch - **воен.** устанавливать связь
 we managed to obtain a favourable settlement - нам удалось добиться благоприятного решения
2. **быть признанным, существовать; быть распространённым, встречаться**
 the custom still obtains in some districts - этот обычай ещё сохраняется в некоторых местах
 these views no longer obtain - эти взгляды устарели
 the morals that obtained in Rome - нравы, существовавшие в Риме

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ob-tain **AW** [obtain obtains obtained obtaining] **BrE** [əb'teɪn] ^m **NAmE**

[əb'teɪn] ^f **verb** (formal)

1. **transitive** ~ **sth** to get sth, especially by making an effort
 - to obtain advice/information/permission
 - I finally managed to obtain a copy of the report
 - Further details can be obtained by writing to the above address.
 - To obtain the overall score, add up the totals in each column.
2. **intransitive** (not used in the progressive tenses) (*of rules, systems, customs, etc.*) to exist

Syn: ↑apply

- These conditions no longer obtain.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	obtain
	BrE /əb'teɪn/
	NAmE /əb'teɪn/
he / she / it	obtains
	BrE /əb'teɪnz/
	NAmE /əb'teɪnz/
past simple, past participle	obtained
	BrE /əb'teɪnd/
	NAmE /əb'teɪnd/
-ing form	obtaining
	BrE /əb'teɪnɪŋ/
	NAmE /əb'teɪnɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French **obtenir**, from Latin **obtinere** 'obtain, gain'.

Thesaurus:

obtain **verb** **T** (especially written)

- Further details can be obtained from the secretary.
- get hold of sth** • • **take** • • **extract** • |especially spoken **get** • |especially written **gain** • |informal **pick sth up** • |formal **acquire** • • **procure** • • **secure** •

obtain/take/extract /get/gain/pick up/acquire/procure sth **from** sb/sth

obtain/get hold of/take/get/gain/pick up/acquire/procure **information**

obtain/get hold of/get/pick up/acquire/procure a **ticket**

obtain/take/extract/get **water/oil/minerals**

Example Bank:

- Details of this offer can be obtained from any of our stores.
- It is necessary to obtain the patients' consent.
- Such information is easily obtained from the Internet.
- The company claims to have obtained its database of names by legitimate means.
- The local authority may assist you to obtain alternative accommodation.
- goods which are difficult to obtain
- I finally managed to obtain a copy of the report.
- I've been trying to obtain permission to publish this material.

obtainobtain **S3 W2 AC** /əb'teɪn/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *verb formal*[Word Family: *verb*: ↑obtain; *adjective*: ↑obtainable ≠ ↑unobtainable][Date: 1400-1500; Language: Old French; Origin: obtenir, from Latin *obtinere* 'to hold on to, own, obtain']1. [transitive] to get something that you want, especially through your own effort, skill, or work **SYN get****obtain something from somebody/something**

▪ Further information can be obtained from head office.

▪ You will need to obtain permission from the principal.

obtain something through something

▪ the results obtained through these surveys

REGISTERIn everyday English, people say that they **get** a result, a ticket, some information etc rather than **obtain** it:▪ You have to get permission from your parents.

2. [intransitive not in progressive] if a situation, system, or rule obtains, it continues to exist:

▪ These conditions no longer obtain.

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THESAURUS▪ **get** [not in passive] to get something by finding it, asking for it, or paying for it: I've been trying to get some information. | She went to the bank to get some money.▪ **obtain formal** to get something: Maps and guides can be obtained from the tourist office. | The newspaper has obtained a copy of the letter.▪ **acquire formal** to get something – used about knowledge, skills, or something big or expensive: The course helps older people to acquire computing skills. | He acquired the property in 1985.▪ **inherit** to get someone's money or property after they die: Jo inherited a lot of money from her mother.▪ **gain** to get something useful or necessary, such as knowledge or experience: I've gained a lot of useful experience. | The research helped us gain an insight into how a child's mind works.▪ **earn** to get something because you deserve it: He had earned a reputation as a peacemaker. | She earned a lot of respect from her colleagues.▪ **get hold of something informal** to get something that is rare or difficult to find: I'm trying to get hold of a ticket for the game.▪ **lay your hands on something informal** to get something that you want very much or that you have spent a lot of time looking for: I read every book I could lay my hands on.**obtain**

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