

benign[bɪˈnaɪn] *a*

1. милостивый, милосердный
 2. кроткий, ласковый
 3. мягкий, благодатный (о климате)
 4. плодородный, плодоносный (о почве)
 5. *мед.*
- 1) в лёгкой форме; неопасный
 - 2) доброкачественный (об опухоли)

◇ benign neglect - нарочитое невнимание; ≅ закрывать глаза, смотреть сквозь пальцы

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be·nign *BrE* [bɪˈnaɪn] ^ˈ *NAmE* [bɪˈnaɪn] ^ˈ **adjective**

1. (formal) (of people) kind and gentle; not hurting anybody
 - You would never have guessed his intentions from the benign expression on his face.
2. (medical) (of ↑tumours growing in the body) not dangerous or likely to cause death

Opp: ↑malignantDerived Word ↑benignlyWord Origin:[**benign** **benignly**] Middle English: from Old French **benigne**, from Latin **benignus**, probably from **bene** 'well' + **-genus** '-born'.

Compare with ↑gentle.

Example Bank:

- We are looking for an environmentally benign alternative to bleach.
- He thought of himself as a benign leader.
- Her face was gentle and benign.
- Many parents adopt a policy of benign neglect — making sure children are fed and clothed and attending school, but leaving them to entertain themselves out of school.
- She is recovering after surgery to remove a benign tumour.
- The native inhabitants at first thought European traders were completely benign.
- The presence of women and children had a benign influence on the soldiers.

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1. kind and gentle:

- He shook his head in benign amusement.

2. a benign ↑tumour (=unnatural growth in the body) is not caused by ↑cancer **OPP** malignant**benign**

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