

# allegiance

[əˈliːdʒ(ə)ns] *n*

1. верность, лояльность, преданность (*обыкн. государству, правительству и т. п.*)  
 allegiance to the flag - верность родине  
 to declare allegiance - заявлять о своей лояльности  
 to swear allegiance - клясться в верности  
 his allegiances are divided - он сам не знает, кому (*или* чему) он больше предан; он нетвёрд в своих убеждениях
2. верность, привязанность; преданная любовь  
 we owe allegiance to our friends - мы обязаны стоять за своих друзей  
 his allegiance to his brother lasted all his life - он всю жизнь преданно любил брата
3. *юр.* пребывание в подданстве *или* гражданстве  
 to change allegiance - перейти в гражданство другой страны; переменить гражданство
4. *ист.* вассальная зависимость; верноподданство  
 to free from allegiance - освобождать от вассальной зависимости

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**al·le·giance** [allegiance allegiances] *BrE* [əˈliːdʒəns] *NAmE* [əˈliːdʒəns]

**noun** uncountable, countable

a person's continued support for a political party, religion, ruler, etc

- to **switch/transfer/change allegiance**
- **an oath/a vow/a statement of allegiance**
- People of various party allegiances joined the campaign.
- ~ **(to sb/sth) to pledge/swear allegiance**
- He affirmed his allegiance to the president.

### Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Anglo-Norman French, variant of Old French *ligeance*, from *lige*, *liege* (from medieval Latin *laeticus*, probably of Germanic origin), perhaps by association with Anglo-Latin *alligantia* 'alliance' .

### Example Bank:

- Every day the children say the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Every day the schoolchildren pledge an oath of allegiance to their country.
- He is now very rich but his allegiance to his working-class origins is still strong.
- He keeps everyone guessing about his true allegiance.
- He owed his allegiance to the organization that had given him all his opportunities.
- It is hard to keep up with the changing allegiances between the various political parties.
- Love of one's country does not mean blind allegiance to a regime.
- Many people have abandoned their traditional party allegiances.
- New officers take an oath of allegiance to their country.
- The rebels now have to swear allegiance to a leader they hate.
- The union needs to retain the allegiance of all its members for the strike to succeed.
- The various splinter groups all claim allegiance to the true spirit of the movement.
- We will give our full allegiance to the party and everything it believes in.

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**al·le·giance** /əˈliːdʒəns/ *BrE* *AmE* **noun** [uncountable and countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: *ligeance*, from *lige* 'person you owe loyal service to', from Late Latin *laetus* 'serf']

loyalty to a leader, country, belief etc

**allegiance to**

" You owe allegiance (=have a duty to give allegiance) to your king.

**swear/pledge allegiance**

" I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

" an oath of allegiance

**switch/transfer allegiance** (=start to support a different person, group etc)

" The people here have strong political allegiances.

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