

shrewd[ʃru:d] **a**1. **проницательный тонкий; трезвый, практичный**

shrewd businessman - расчётливый делец

shrewd observer - тонкий наблюдатель

shrewd common sense - практическая сметка

2. **резкий, сильный**

shrewd blow [thrust] - сильный удар [толчок]

shrewd wind - пронизывающий ветер

3. 1) **искусный, умелый; находчивый**

shrewd reply - меткий ответ

shrewd design - остроумный план

shrewd choice - удачный выбор

2) **близкий к истине**

to make a shrewd guess at smth. - угадать что-л. довольно точно

4. **амер. неодобр.** ловкий, изворотливый

shrewd operator - ловкач, проныра

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shrewd [shrewd shrewder shrewdest] BrE [ʃruːd] NAmE [ʃruːd] **adjective**

(shrewd·er, shrewd·est)

1. **clever at understanding and making judgements about a situation****Syn:** ↑astute

• a shrewd businessman

• She is a shrewd judge of character.

2. **showing good judgement and likely to be right**

• a shrewd move

• I **have a shrewd idea** who the mystery caller was.**Derived Words** ↑shrewdly ▪ ↑shrewdness**Word Origin:**

Middle English (in the sense 'evil in nature or character'): from ↑shrew in the sense 'evil person or thing', or as the past participle of obsolete shrew 'to curse'. The word developed the sense 'cunning', and gradually gained a favourable connotation during the 17th cent.

Thesaurus:**shrewd** **adj.** (often approving)

• My mother was a shrewd judge of character.

canny • |approving| **astute** • • **perceptive** • • **incisive** • • **discriminating** • • **discerning** •a/an shrewd/canny/astute **businessman/politician/move**a/an shrewd/astute/perceptive **observer/observation**a/an shrewd/perceptive/incisive **comment****Example Bank:**

• I could take a pretty shrewd guess at who had sent the letter.

• My mother was a shrewd judge of character.

• Paul was too shrewd to be taken in by this argument.

• She had a shrewd idea of what their motives were.

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shrewd /ʃruːd BrE AmE **adjective**

[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: shrew in the old meaning 'very bad man']

1. **good at judging what people or situations are really like:**

Malcolm is a shrewd businessman.

She was shrewd enough to guess who was responsible.

Capra looked at her with shrewd eyes.

2. **well judged and likely to be right:**

a shrewd decision

Bridget has a shrewd idea of what will sell.

—**shrewdly** **adverb:**

'Something tells me you've already decided,' he said shrewdly.

—**shrewdness** **noun** [uncountable]**shrewd**

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