

encourage

[ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒ] *v*

1. ободрять; вселять мужество, надежду; воодушевлять
to be encouraged by smb.'s example - вдохновиться чьим-л. примером
your appreciation of my work encourages me greatly - ваша оценка моей работы очень меня окрыляет
2. поощрять, поддерживать
to encourage the arts - поощрять искусства
I am encouraged to do the same - мне рекомендуют поступить так же
3. подстрекать; потворствовать
to encourage the people to hostility - подстрекать население к враждебным действиям

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en-cour-age [encourage encourages encouraged encouraging] *BrE* [ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒ]

NAmE [ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒ] *verb*

1. to give sb support, courage or hope
 - ~ **sb in sth** My parents have always encouraged me in my choice of career.
 - ~ **sb** We were greatly encouraged by the positive response of the public.
2. ~ **sb to do sth** | ~ **doing sth** to persuade sb to do sth by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
 - Banks actively encourage people to borrow money.
3. to make sth more likely to happen or develop
 - ~ **sth (in sb/sth)** They claim that some computer games encourage violent behaviour in young children.
 - ~ **sb to do sth** Music and lighting are used to encourage shoppers to buy more.
 - ~ **doing sth** Technology encourages multitasking.

Opp: *discourage*

Derived Words *↑encouraging* • *↑encouragingly*

Verb forms: *verb forms*

present simple	
I / you / we / they	encourage
	<i>BrE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒ/
he / she / it	encourages
	<i>BrE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒɪz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒɪz/
past simple, past participle	encouraged
	<i>BrE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒd/
-ing form	encouraging
	<i>BrE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ɪnˈkʌrɪdʒɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English (formerly also as incourage): from French *encourager*, from *en-* 'in' + *corage* 'courage'.

Thesaurus:

encourage *verb*

1. *T*

- She was greatly encouraged by his kind words.

cheer • • **cheer sb up** • • **lift/raise sb's spirits** • • **reassure** • |*formal uplift* •

Opp: *discourage*

be **greatly** encouraged/cheered/reassured

Encourage or cheer? People or events can **encourage** you; you can be **cheered** by events or things. **Cheer** is more about comfort; **encourage** is more about confidence.

2. *T*

- Banks actively encourage people to borrow money.

urge • • **spur** • |*informal put sb up to sth* • • **egg sb on** • |*formal exhort* • |*especially written galvanize* •

Opp: *discourage*

encourage/urge/spur/egg on/exhort/galvanize sb **to do sth**

encourage/urge/exhort sb **not to do sth**

constantly/repeatedly encourage/urge/exhort sb to do sth

3. *T*

- The questions are designed to encourage debate.

stir sth up • • **whip sb/sth up** • |*approving stimulate* • |*disapproving incite* • |*especially journalism business fuel* • • **stoke** •

Opp: *hold sb/sth back*

encourage/incite sb **to do sth**

encourage/stir up/whip up/stimulate/fuel/stoke **interest**

encourage/stir up/whip up/incite **opposition**

Example Bank:

- Newspapers should not publish material that is likely to encourage discrimination on the grounds of race or colour.
- She especially encouraged young scientists.
- Speaking your mind is highly encouraged at these sessions.

- The government must actively encourage investment in these areas.
- These questions are designed to encourage debate.
- We were greatly encouraged by the support we received.
- 'Good girl, you're doing fine,' he encouraged her.
- Do toy guns encourage aggression?
- Music and special lighting are used to encourage shoppers to spend more.
- Programmes like this just encourage stereotyping.
- The aim of the campaign is to encourage youngsters not to smoke.
- The new measures are designed to encourage more people to cycle.
- The treaty is aimed at encouraging cooperation between Member States.
- They claim that some computer games encourage violent behaviour in children.
- We're looking at ways to encourage recycling.

Example Bank:

- This news is most encouraging.
- It was an encouraging start to the project.
- Last year's results were very encouraging.
- The response we got from our readers was extremely encouraging.
- There are encouraging signs that the economy is picking up.

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[Word Family: adjective: ↑encouraged ≠ ↑discouraged, ↑encouraging ≠ ↑discouraging; verb: ↑encourage ≠ ↑discourage; noun: ↑encouragement ≠ ↑discouragement; adverb: ↑encouragingly ≠ ↑discouragingly]

1. to give someone the courage or confidence to do something **OPP discourage:**

" I want to thank everyone who has encouraged and supported me.

encourage somebody to do something

" Cooder was encouraged to begin playing the guitar by his father.

encourage somebody in something

" Fleur encouraged Dana in her ambition to become a model.

2. to persuade someone to do something **OPP discourage:**

" Cantor didn't mind if they worked late; in fact, he actively encouraged it.

encourage somebody to do something

" A 10p rise in cigarette prices is not enough to encourage smokers to stop.

3. to make something more likely to exist, happen, or develop:

" Violent TV programmes encourage anti-social behaviour.

—encouraged adjective [not before noun]:

" She felt encouraged by the many letters of support.

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- **persuade** to make someone decide to do something, especially by giving them reasons why they should do it, or asking them many times to do it: I persuaded her to change her mind. | Do you think you can persuade him to lend us the money?
- **talk somebody into (doing) something** to persuade someone to do something, especially something they do not really want to do: Why did I let you talk me into this? | He finally talked her into going on a date with him.
- **get somebody to do something** to make someone do something by persuading or asking them: If we can't get a taxi I'll get Joe to pick us up. | I know how to get you to kiss me.
- **convince** to persuade someone that they should do something, because it is the best or the right thing to do. Some British speakers think this use is incorrect, and prefer to use **persuade**: It would be difficult to convince him to move.
- **encourage** to try to persuade someone to do something, especially because you think it will be good for them: Children should be encouraged to read all kinds of books.
- **influence** to have an effect on what someone decides to do: What influences you to buy clothes?
- **coax** to persuade someone to do something by talking gently and kindly: I tried to coax him to eat a little.
- **cajole** /kə'dʒəʊl \$ -'dʒoʊl/ to persuade someone to do something by praising them or making promises to them: He hoped to cajole her into selling her house.
- **put somebody up to something** to persuade or encourage someone to do something wrong or stupid: Who put you up to this?
- **dissuade formal** to persuade someone not to do something: How do you dissuade young people from experimenting with drugs?

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