

rebuke

1. [rɪ'bjʊ:k] *n*
 1. упрёк; укор
without rebuke - безупречный
to serve as a rebuke to smb. - служить кому-л. укором
 2. выговор, замечание; нагоняй
to administer a rebuke - выговаривать, отчитывать
2. [rɪ'bjʊ:k] *v*
 1. упрекать, укорять; винить; осуждать
he rebuked their presumption - он порицал их за самонадеянность
 2. делать выговор, замечание; давать нагоняй
to rebuke smb. for smth. - выговаривать кому-л. /отчитыватького-л./ за что-л
 3. *арх., амер.* давать отпор, отбрасывать (*противника и т. п.*)

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• **I.** **re·buke** [rebuke rebukes rebuked rebuking] *BrE* [rɪ'bjʊ:k] *NAmE*

[rɪ'bjʊ:k] *verb* often *passive* ~ **sb** (for sth/for doing sth) (formal)

to speak severely to sb because they have done sth wrong

Syn: ↑reprimand

- The company was publicly rebuked for having neglected safety procedures.
- She rebuked herself for her stupidity.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	rebuke
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:k/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:k/
he / she / it	rebukes
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:ks/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:ks/
past simple, past participle	rebuked
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:kt/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:kt/
-ing form	rebuking
	<i>BrE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:kɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /rɪ'bjʊ:kɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English (originally in the sense 'force back, repress'): from Anglo-Norman French and Old Northern French **rebuker**, from **re-** 'back, down' + **bukier** 'to beat' (originally 'cut down wood', from Old French **busche** 'log').

Example Bank:

- He hit back with a stinging rebuke to his critics.
- He meekly accepted the rebuke.
- If the general found his authority questioned he invariably administered a sharp rebuke.
- They received a public rebuke from Secretary General for their handling of the matter.
- Urban voters might deliver a sharp rebuke to Congress.

Example Bank:

- She rebuked herself sharply for her stupidity.

• **II.** **re·buke** *noun* countable, uncountable

- He was silenced by her stinging rebuke.
- She answered with no hint of rebuke.

Main entry: ↑rebuke *derived*

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re·buke /rɪ'bjʊ:k *BrE* *AmE* *verb* [transitive]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old North French; Origin: rebuker, from bukier 'to hit, cut down']

formal to speak to someone severely about something they have done wrong **SYN** reprimand

rebuke somebody for doing something

Members of the jury were sharply rebuked for speaking to the press.

—**rebuke** *noun* [uncountable and countable]:

a rebuke from the President

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THESAURUS

- **reprimand** *formal* to tell someone that they have done something wrong or illegal and are being punished for it – used especially in official contexts: The police officers were officially reprimanded for their behaviour. | The Swiss authorities severely reprimanded the banks for accepting \$660million from the former Nigerian dictator Sani Abacha. | Debra remembered as a very young child being reprimanded by her father.
- **scold** *formal* if a parent, teacher, or other adult scolds a child, they talk to them angrily because they have done something

wrong. **Scold** sounds rather formal and old-fashioned. In everyday English people usually say **tell somebody off**: I dreaded the thought of going home and being scolded by my father.

▪ **tell somebody off** to talk angrily to someone because they have done something wrong. **Tell somebody off** is more common in British English than American English: Dad told me off for getting home late.

▪ **give somebody a talking-to** *informal* to talk angrily to a child because they have done something wrong: The boy was giving a good talking-to and sent home.

▪ **lecture** to talk angrily to someone for a long time about something they have done wrong, especially in a way that they think is not necessary or fair: Stop lecturing me, will you! | He began to lecture her about her duties as a citizen.

▪ **rebuke** *formal* to tell someone that they should not have done something: She rebuked him for being late. | Sheerman rebuked his colleague for suggesting that he was too stupid to understand what he was saying.

▪ **reproach** *formal* to talk to someone in a way that shows you are disappointed at what they have done. **Reproach** sounds much gentler than criticizing someone or reprimanding them: He felt he had to reproach his friend for his excessive drinking.

▪ **berate** *formal* to publicly criticize someone for a long time, in a way that shows you strongly disapprove of what they have done: She berated the paper for its 'misleading front-page story.' | Kennedy berated the Eisenhower administration and its vice president Richard Nixon, during the 1960 campaign.

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