

perpendicular1. [ˌpɜːpənˈdɪkjʊlə] *n*

1. *мат.*
 - 1) перпендикуляр; перпендикулярная линия
to draw a perpendicular to a line, to let fall a perpendicular upon a line - опустить перпендикуляр на прямую
 - 2) перпендикулярная плоскость
 2. вертикаль
 3. 1) вертикальное, прямое положение
out of the perpendicular - невертикальный
 - 2) твёрдая позиция
he affected the unwavering perpendicular - он занял твёрдую /определённую/ позицию
4. *сл.* приём, где закусывают стоя, а-ля фуршет

2. [ˌpɜːpənˈdɪkjʊlə] *a*

1. 1) перпендикулярный, вертикальный
- 2) отвесный, крутой
perpendicular staircase - крутая лестница
perpendicular hamlet - деревушка, расположенная на крутом склоне
2. 1) прямой, негнувшийся
a stiff perpendicular old maid - прямая, чопорная старая дева
- 2) негибкий
perpendicular in attitude - негибкая позиция
3. *сл.* стоячий
perpendicular drinking at the bar - выпивка у стойки
every seat was occupied as well as perpendicular accommodation - все сидячие и стоячие места были заняты

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per-pen-dicu-lar [**perpendicular perpendiculars**] *adjective, noun BrE*[ˌpɜːpənˈdɪkjələ] *r* *NAmE* [ˌpɜːrpənˈdɪkjələr]*adjective*

1. ~ (to sth) (*technical*) forming an angle of 90° with another line or surface; vertical and going straight up
 - Are the lines perpendicular to each other?
 - The staircase was almost perpendicular (= very steep) .
2. **Perpendicular** (*architecture*) connected with a style of ↑*architecture* common in England in the 14th and 15th centuries

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as an adverb meaning 'at right angles'): via Old French from Latin *perpendicularis*, from *perpendicularum* 'plumb line', from *per-* 'through' + *pendere* 'to hang'.

Culture:

The Perpendicular style in architecture was marked by large windows, vertical lines, and ceiling patterns in stone called **fan vaulting**. An example of this style is the **chapel** of ↑*King's College, Cambridge*.

Compare ↑*Decorated style*Compare ↑*Early English*Example Bank:

- an almost perpendicular staircase
- two mutually perpendicular directions
- The staircase was almost perpendicular.

noun the perpendicular singulara line, position or direction that is exactly ↑*perpendicular*

- The wall is a little out of the perpendicular.

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1. **per-pen-dic-u-lar** ¹ /ˌpɜːpənˈdɪkjələpɜːpənˈdɪkjələ/ *BrE* *AmE**adjective*

[*Date:* 1300-1400; *Language:* Old French; *Origin:* perpendicular, from Latin, from perpendicularum 'plumb line', from pendere 'to hang']

1. not leaning to one side or the other but exactly vertical ⇒ **vertical**, **horizontal**:
 - a perpendicular line
 - a perpendicular wall of rock
2. **be perpendicular to something** if one line is perpendicular to another line, they form an angle of 90 degrees **SYN at right angles to**:
 - a road perpendicular to the highway

3. **Perpendicular** in the style of 14th- and 15th-century English churches, which are decorated with straight upright lines

—**perpendicularly** *adverb*

II. **perpendicular** ² *BrE* ² *AmE* ² *noun* [singular]

an exactly vertical position or line

perpendicular

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