

**defraud**

[di'frɔ:d] **v**  
 обманывать; отнимать (с помощью обмана); выманивать (у кого-л.)  
 to defraud creditors - ввести в заблуждение кредиторов  
 with intent to defraud - с целью обмана  
 to defraud smb. of smth. - выманить что-л. у кого-л.

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**de-fraud** [defraud defrauds defrauded defrauding] **BrE** [di'frɔ:ɒd] **NAmE**

[di'frɔ:ɒd] **verb** intransitive, transitive

to get money illegally from a person or an organization by tricking them  
 • All three men were charged with conspiracy to defraud  
 • ~ **sb (of sth)** They were accused of defrauding the company of \$14 000.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	defraud
	BrE /di'frɔ:d/
	NAmE /di'frɔ:d/
he / she / it	defrauds
	BrE /di'frɔ:dz/
	NAmE /di'frɔ:dz/
past simple, past participle	defrauded
	BrE /di'frɔ:dɪd/
	NAmE /di'frɔ:dɪd/
-ing form	defrauding
	BrE /di'frɔ:dɪŋ/
	NAmE /di'frɔ:dɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French **defrauder** or Latin **defraudare**, from **de-** 'from' + **fraudare** 'to cheat' (from **fraus**, **fraud-** 'fraud').

Thesaurus:

**defraud** **verb** T, I

- They defrauded the company of \$900 000.
- swindle** • **cheat** • **con** • |informal **rip sb off** • **fleece** • |especially AmE, informal **bilk** • |slang **screw** • defraud/swindle/cheat/con/fleece/screw/bilk **sb out of sth**  
 defraud/swindle/cheat/rip off/fleece/bilk **customers**  
 defraud/swindle/cheat/fleece/bilk **investors**  
 cheat/rip off/fleece **tourists**

Example Bank:

- She was involved in a conspiracy to defraud the government
- They were accused of defrauding the company of \$14 000.

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**de-fraud** /di'frɔ:ɒd -'frɔ:ɒd/ **BrE** **AmE** **verb** [transitive]

to trick a person or organization in order to get money from them

**defraud somebody of something**

- She defrauded her employers of thousands of pounds.
- He faces charges of theft and conspiracy to defraud (=a secret plan to cheat someone, made by two or more people).

**THESAURUS**

■ **to get money or possessions dishonestly from someone**

- **cheat** to deceive someone so that they do not get or keep something they have a right to: He used his charm to cheat the old lady out of everything he could get. | He's afraid they'll cheat him after he hands over the money.
- **con** *informal* to get money from someone by telling them lies: They conned her into spending thousands of pounds on useless equipment. | He conned money out of the public by pretending to collect for charity.
- **swindle** to get money from a person or organization by cheating them in a clever way: The painting has been stolen and the art gallery has been swindled out of a large sum of money. | A City businessman who swindled investors out of millions of pounds was jailed for four years.
- **defraud** to commit the crime of getting money from an organization by deceiving them: He admitted attempting to defraud his former employer of \$1 million. | Johnson is accused of conspiring to defraud the taxman of hundreds of thousands of pounds.
- **do somebody out of something** *informal especially British English* to dishonestly stop someone from getting or keeping something, especially something they have a right to have: They've done me out of three weeks wages!

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