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WordReference Random House Learner's Dictionary of American English © 2025de•ci•sion /dɪˈsɪʒən/USA pronunciation   n. the act or process of deciding:[uncountable]I kept postponing the moment of decision. the act of making up one's mind:[countable]a difficult decision. something decided; resolution:[countable]My decision is to go ahead with the plan. a judgment, such as pronounced by a court:[countable]The jury's decision was that he was guilty on all counts. the quality of being able to make a firm judgment:[uncountable]spoke with decision. Sportthe awarding of a victory in a boxing match when there is no knockout, based on scoring by the referee and judges: [uncountable]He won by decision. [countable]won in a split decision. WordReference Random House Unabridged Dictionary of American English © 2025de•ci•sion (di sizh′ən),USA pronunciation n. the act or process of deciding; determination, as of a question or doubt, by making a judgment:They must make a decision between these two contestants. the act of or need for making up one's mind:This is a difficult decision. something that is decided; resolution:He made a poor decision. a judgment, as one formally pronounced by a court. the quality of being decided; firmness:He spoke with decision. Sportthe final score in any sport or contest:The decision was 5 to 4 in favor of the home team. Sport[Boxing.]the awarding of a victory in a match not decided by a knockout or technical knockout, usually through a vote of the referee and judges. v.t. Sport[Boxing.]to win a victory over (one's opponent) by a point score rather than a knockout. Latin dēcīsiōn- (stem of dēcīsiō) literally, a cutting off, equivalent. to dēcīs(us) (past participle of dēcīdere; see decide) + -iōn- -ion Middle French late Middle English decisioun 1425–75 de•ci′sion•al, adj. 4. ruling, verdict, finding, decree. Collins Concise English Dictionary © HarperCollins Publishers:: decision /dɪˈsɪʒən/ n a judgment, conclusion, or resolution reached or given; verdict the act of making up one's mind firmness of purpose or character; determinationEtymology: 15th Century: from Old French, from Latin dēcīsiō, literally: a cutting off; see decide [countable] a choice or judgement that you make after thinking and talking about what is the best thing to doI think I've made the right decision. (British English) No decisions have yet been taken. decision on something We need a decision on this by next week. decision about something I will consult colleagues before making a final decision about how to proceed.We must come to a decision about what to do next.We finally reached a decision (= decided after some difficulty). decision to do something Who made the decision to go ahead with the project?Choosing a college is a big decision for students and their families.a difficult/tough/hard decisionIt is almost impossible for the average person to make an informed decision (= one based on evidence). (British English) The government plans to appeal against the decision in the High Court. (North American English) to appeal the decisionto reverse/overturn a decision on appealThe editor's decision is final. see also executive decision, split decisionExtra Examplesa decision on her futureHer parents respected her decision not to marry.I didn't want to influence his decision.Nobody has the authority to overrule his decision.plans to challenge this decision in the High CourtShe defended her decision not to give him the job.The management committee upheld her decision to fire two of her staff.I had to make a snap decision about what to do with the money.We need a firm decision by Friday.She now faces the toughest decision of her life.I need more facts before I can make an informed decision.Key decisions are always taken by the editor.Presidents must make momentous life-and-death decisions while in office.In a landmark decision, the court agreed to hear evidence from twenty years earlier.The decision is irreversible.In the end, the decision to scrap the project was unanimous.It's decision time, and deciding is difficult.The committee will give us their decision tomorrow.Topics Preferences and decisionsa2Oxford Collocations Dictionaryadjectiveverb + decisiondecision + nounprepositiondecision aboutdecision onSee full entry [uncountable] the process of deciding somethingThe moment of decision had arrived.The power of decision remained with the directors.The most persuasive talker often dominates the decision process. [uncountable] the ability to decide something clearly and quicklyThis is not a job for someone who lacks decision. opposite indecision Word Originlate Middle English: from Latin decisio(n-), from decidere ‘determine’, from de- ‘off’ + caedere ‘cut’.Idioms reserve (your) decision/judgement to not decide or make a judgement about something until a later timeI'd prefer to reserve judgement until I know all the facts.Three judges have decided to reserve their decision until a later date. See decision in the Oxford Advanced American DictionarySee decision in the Oxford Learner's Dictionary of Academic English Princeton's WordNet2.5 / 4 votesdecision, determination, conclusionnounthe act of making up your mind about something"the burden of decision was his"; "he drew his conclusions quickly"decision, determination, conclusionnouna position or opinion or judgment reached after consideration"a decision unfavorable to the opposition"; "his conclusion took the evidence into account"; "satisfied with the panel's determination"decisionnoun(boxing) a victory won on points when no knockout has occurred"had little trouble in taking a unanimous decision over his opponent"decisionnounthe outcome of a game or contest"the team dropped three decisions in a row"decisiveness, decisionnounthe trait of resoluteness as evidenced by firmness of character or purpose"a man of unusual decisiveness"Wiktionary5.0 / 2 votesdecisionnounA choice or judgement.decisionnounFirmness of conviction.After agonizing deliberations, they finally proceeded with decision.decisionnounA result arrived at by the judges when there is no clear winner at the end of the contest.He has won twice by knockout, once by decision.decisionverbTo defeat an opponent by a decision of the judges, rather than by a knockoutSamuel Johnson's Dictionary0.0 / 0 votesDecisionnounEtymology: from decide.1. Determination of a difference. Pleasure and revengeHave ears more deaf than adders, to the voiceOf any true decision. William Shakespeare, Troilus and Cressida. The great number of the undertakers, the worth of some of them, and their zeal to bring the matter to a decision, are sure arguments of the dignity and importance of it. John Woodward. War is a direct appeal to God for the decision of some dispute, which can by no other means be possibly determined. Francis Atterbury, Sermons.2. Determination of an event. The time approaches,That will with due decision make us knowWhat we shall say we have, and what we owe. William Shakespeare, Macb. Their arms are to the last decision bent,And fortune labours with the vast event. John Dryden, Aurengz.3. It is used in Scotland for a narrative, or reports of the proceedings of the court of session there.ChatGPT0.0 / 0 votesdecisionA decision is a conclusion or resolution reached after careful consideration or deliberation. It refers to the process of choosing a course of action from among multiple alternatives or possibilities. This process often involves judgment or determination and can be influenced by a person's values, preferences, beliefs, and experiences.Webster Dictionary3.0 / 3 votesDecisionnouncutting off; division; detachment of a partDecisionnounthe act of deciding; act of settling or terminating, as a controversy, by giving judgment on the matter at issue; determination, as of a question or doubt; settlement; conclusionDecisionnounan account or report of a conclusion, especially of a legal adjudication or judicial determination of a question or cause; as, a decision of arbitrators; a decision of the Supreme CourtDecisionnounthe quality of being decided; prompt and fixed determination; unwavering firmness; as, to manifest great decisionWikidata0.0 / 0 votesDecisionA decision is a statistical credit given to a baseball pitcher. There are two types of decisions: win and loss. In order to receive a win, the starting pitcher must complete at least five innings and leave with the lead. If the pitcher's lead is preserved by the bullpen, he is credited with a win. Any time a pitcher enters the game with a lead or a tie and leaves with a deficit, he is on the hook for a loss. In addition, a reliever can record a win as long as he enters the game with a tie or a deficit and leaves with the lead. However, in this case, any baserunner he leaves on will count against him if he scores after the pitcher leaves the game. For instance, if a reliever comes in with a 1-run lead, and leaves the game after giving up a single, he is on the hook for that runner. If the runner scores, he does not get a decision. If the runner is stranded, and the lead is preserved until the end of the game, the relief pitcher will record the win. This is also the case for the starting pitcher if he pitches the requisite number of innings. If the starting pitcher pitched fewer than five innings, but leaves the game with a lead that the bullpen maintains to the finish of the game, the scorer awards the win to the relief pitcher judged to have been the most effective.Chambers 20th Century Dictionary0.0 / 0 votesDecisionde-sizh′un, n. the act of deciding: settlement: judgment: the quality of being decided in character.—adj. Decī′sive, having the power of deciding: showing decision: final: positive.—adv. Decī′sively.—n. Decī′siveness.—adj. Decī′sory, decisive. [See Decide.]Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms0.0 / 0 votesdecisionIn an estimate of the situation, a clear and concise statement of the line of action intended to be followed by the commander as the one most favorable to the successful accomplishment of the assigned mission. Editors Contribution0.0 / 0 votesdecisionTo create a choice or plan or action.They made a united choice and plan of action to work in unity and partnership together for the optimum health and shared prosperity of everyone.Submitted by MaryC on February 22, 2020 Suggested Resources0.0 / 0 votesdecisionThe decision symbol -- In this Symbols.com article you will learn about the meaning of the decision symbol and its characteristic.Matched CategoriesBoxingChoiceJudgmentResolutenessResultBritish National CorpusSpoken Corpus FrequencyRank popularity for the word 'Decision' in Spoken Corpus Frequency: #562Written Corpus FrequencyRank popularity for the word 'Decision' in Written Corpus Frequency: #830Nouns FrequencyRank popularity for the word 'Decision' in Nouns Frequency: #126Usage in printed sourcesFrom: How to pronounce Decision?How to say Decision in sign language?NumerologyChaldean NumerologyThe numerical value of Decision in Chaldean Numerology is: 2Pythagorean NumerologyThe numerical value of Decision in Pythagorean Numerology is: 6Kelly Canon:I was so torn with my decision to come forward with this because I ’m a Republican going after a Republican, it was not easy.Kris Kobach:Ultimately it’s his call, there will be a great deal of consistency between the platform and President-elect Trump’s policies – that is, with the caveat that every decision is the president’s decision.Ryan Brown:Congress entrusts decision-making like this with the FDA. And they’re coming in trying to overrule that, saying this medication is unsafe because women bleed. Well, that’s part of having an abortion. It’s also part of having a pregnancy, the bottom line being that they just want to do away with abortion across the board and for any reason.Kay Ivey:Due to the nature of his crime, the decision of a jury to condemn him to death and because our legal system has worked as designed, Mr. Ray's sentence was carried out, courts at every level have upheld Mr. Ray's conviction for Domineque Ray senseless act. Accordingly, the laws of this state have been carried out. It is my prayer that, with tonight's events, Miss Harville's family can finally have closure.Chaney Adams:State exchanges are the federal government's way of sticking states with the cost and responsibility of a massive new bureaucratic program, the right decision was made for South Carolina, and Governor Haley would make it again today. References قرارArabicпо точки, решение, решителностBulgariandecisióCatalan, Valencianrozhodnost, skóre, rozhodnutíCzechafgørelse, beslutning, beslutsomhedDanishBeschluss, EntscheidungGermanαπόφασηGreekdecidoEsperantodecisiónSpanishepai, erabaki, ebazpenBasquepäätösFinnishdécisionFrenchbreith, cinneadhIrishהחלטהHebrew□□□□□□HindidöntésHungariandecisioneItalian決定, 決断JapaneseبڕیارKurdishconsultum, perfinītiōLatinnutarimas, sprendimas, nutartisLithuanianapņemšanās, spriedums, lēmumsLatviankeputusanMalaydeċiżjoniMalteseverdict, beslissing, besluitDutchdecyzja, zdecydowaniePolishdecisãoPortuguesehotărâre, verdict, decizie, fermitate, sentințăRomanianурегулирование, решениеRussianодлука, решење, rješenje, odluka, rešenjeSerbo-Croatianbeslutsamhet, beslutSwedish□فيصلUrdu - Select - 简体中文 (Chinese - Simplified) 繁體中文 (Chinese - Traditional) Español (Spanish) Esperanto (Esperanto) 日本語 (Japanese) Português (Portuguese) Deutsch (German) العربية (Arabic) Français (French) Русский (Russian) □□□□□ (Kannada) □□□ (Korean) עברית (Hebrew) Gaeilge (Irish) Українська (Ukrainian) اردو (Urdu) Magyar (Hungarian) □□□□ □□□□□□ (Hindi) Indonesia (Indonesian) Italiano (Italian) □□□□□ (Tamil) Türkçe (Turkish) □□□□□□ (Telugu) □□□□□□□ (Thai) Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese) Čeština (Czech) Polski (Polish) Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian) Românește (Romanian) Nederlands (Dutch) Ελληνικά (Greek) Latinum (Latin) Svenska (Swedish) Dansk (Danish) Suomi (Finnish) فارسی (Persian) ייִדיש (Yiddish) հայերեն (Armenian) Norsk (Norwegian) English (English) See also: décision and decisión Derived from Middle French, from Latin dēcīsiō, dēcīsiōnis, from dēcīdō (“to decide”). IPA(key): /dɪˈsɪʒən/, [dɪˈs Rhymes: -ɪʒən decision (countable and uncountable, plural decisions) The act of deciding. A choice or judgement. It is the decision of the court that movies are protected as free speech. It's a tough decision, but I'll take vanilla. I told him about my decision to leave forever. (uncountable) Firmness of conviction. After agonizing deliberations, they finally proceeded with decision. (chiefly combat sports) A result arrived at by the judges when there is no clear winner at the end of the contest. He has won twice by knockout, once by decision. (baseball) A win or a loss awarded to a pitcher. decision (third-person singular simple present decisions, present participle decisioning, simple past and past participle decisioned) decision on Wikipedia.Wikipedia decision f decision at Lombard Wiktionary Derived from Latin, see above. decision f (plural decisions) Derived from Latin dēcīsiō. This entry needs pronunciation information. If you are familiar with the IPA then please add some! decision f (plural decisions) 1 [count] : a choice that you make about something after thinking about it : the result of deciding She announced her decision to go to medical school. a big/controversial/final decision Have you made/reached a decision? After weeks of deliberation, he finally came to a decision. = After weeks of deliberation, he finally arrived at a decision. He based his decision on facts, not emotions. She made a conscious decision to leave the painting unfinished. (Brit) The government has taken a decision to withdraw all troops. [=the government has made an important and official decision to withdraw all troops] an informed decision [=a decision based on facts or information] a split-second decision [=a decision that must be made in an instant] [+] more examples [-] hide examples [+] Example sentences [-] Hide examples ◊ In informal spoken English, someone who says “Decisions, decisions ” is having difficulty making a decision, usually about an unimportant matter. “Decisions, decisions. I can't decide which flavor of ice cream to get.” 2 [noncount] formal : the ability to make choices quickly and confidently a leader of courage and decision [=decisiveness] We need someone who will act with decision even under pressure. — opposite indecision 3 [count] a : the particular end of a legal or official argument : a legal or official judgment The U.S. Supreme Court's 1954 decision brought an end to racial segregation in public schools. The Supreme Court handed down a 5–4 decision. [=five members of the court voted one way, and the other four members voted the opposite way, and the side with the five votes won] The appeals court upheld the decision. [=the appeals court agreed with the decision made earlier by a lower court] The appeals court overturned the decision. [=the appeals court disagreed with the decision made earlier by a lower court] b : a report explaining why a legal or official judgment was made in a particular way the court's ten-page decision 4 [noncount] : the act of deciding something The moment of decision has come. You must decide. The judge has the power of decision. [=the judge has the power to make the decision]