

**lunacy**[ˈluːnəsi] *n*

1. 1) *мед.* психоз, помешательство
  - 2) *юр.* невменяемость
  - 3) *арх.* сомнамбулизм
  2. *разг.* глупый поступок, большая глупость
- it's sheer lunacy! - это просто безумие!

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**lunacy** [ˈlunəsi] *BrE* [ˈluːnəsi] *NAme* [ˈluːnəsi] **noun uncountable**

1. behaviour that is stupid or crazy

**Syn:** ↑madness

• It's sheer lunacy driving in such weather.

2. (old-fashioned) mental illness

**Syn:** ↑madnessWord Origin:

mid 16th cent. (originally referring to intermittent insanity believed to be caused by changes of the moon): from ↑lunatic + ↑-acy.

Example Bank:

• a comedy show full of inspired lunacy

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**lunacy** /ˈluːnəsi/ *BrE* *AmE* **noun** [uncountable]

[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: lunatic]

1. a situation or behaviour that is completely crazy **SYN** madness:

It would be sheer lunacy to turn down a job offer like that.

2. old-fashioned mental illness

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