

pliable['plaiəb(ə)] *a*

- 1) сгибаемый, гнущийся, гибкий
- 2) ковкий; мягкий; пластичный
2. 1) легко поддающийся влиянию, сговорчивый, податливый, уступчивый (*мж. в отрицательном смысле*)
pliable character - уступчивый характер
pliable judges - сговорчивые судьи
he is too pliable to be a good leader - ему не хватает твёрдости /он слишком мягок/, чтобы быть хорошим руководителем
- 2) гибкий

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pli·a·ble *BrE* ['plaiəbəl] *AmE* ['plaiəbəl] *adjective*

1. easy to bend without breaking

Syn: †flexible

- The plant has long pliable stems.

2. (*of people*) easy to influence or control

Syn: †impressionable

- He'd always thought of her as pliable.

Word Origin:[**pliable**] late Middle English: from French, from **plier** 'to bend', from Latin **plicare** 'to fold'.**pliable**

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pli·a·ble /'plaiəbəl/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*[**Date:** 1400-1500; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** plier; ⇨ †pliers]

1. able to bend without breaking or cracking:

- a shoe made of soft pliable leather

2. easily influenced and controlled by other people:

- Senior officials would have preferred a more pliable government.

—**pliability** /,plaiə'bɪləti, ,plaiə'bɪlɪti/ *noun* [uncountable]

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THESAURUS

- **soft** not hard, firm, or stiff, but easy to press: a soft mattress | Her skin was lovely and soft. | soft ground
- **tender** used about meat or vegetables that are soft and easy to cut, especially because they have been well cooked: The beef was very tender. | Cook the carrots until tender.
- **soggy** very wet and too soft, in a way that seems unpleasant – used about bread, vegetables, and the ground: soggy cabbage | a piece of soggy bread | The ground was too soggy to walk on.
- **squishy** soft and easy to press – used especially about fruit that is too soft, and about soft wet ground which makes a noise when you walk on it: squishy tomatoes | The leaves were squishy under our feet.
- **squashy** *British English* soft and easy to press – used especially about fruit that is too soft, and about chairs that are soft and comfortable: The peaches have gone all squashy. | a big squashy sofa
- **mushy** used about fruit or vegetables that are very soft, wet, and unpleasant, because they are not fresh or have been cooked for too long: mushy pieces of banana | a few mushy carrots
- **spongy** soft and full of holes that contain air or liquid like a sponge: a spongy foam | a spongy loaf | His boots sank into the spongy soil.
- **springy** used about something that is soft and comes back to its normal shape after being pressed or walked on: springy turf (=grass) | Her hair felt lovely and springy.
- **pliable** /'plaiəbəl/ used about a material or substance that can be bent or pressed without breaking or cracking: The clay was still pliable and not too dry.
- **yielding** *literary* used about a surface which is soft and will bend when you press it: yielding flesh

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