

usurp

[ju:'zɜ:p] *v*

- узурпировать, незаконно захватывать (*власть и т. п.*)
- (on) *редк.* посягать (*на что-л.*)
to usurp (up)on smb.'s right's - посягать на чьи-л. права

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usurp [usurp usurps usurped usurping] *BrE* [ju'zɜ:p] *NAmE* [ju'zɜ:rp]

verb ~ **sb/sth** (formal)

to take sb's position and/or power without having the right to do this

Derived Words ↑usurpation ▪ ↑usurper

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	usurp
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:'zɜ:p/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ju:'zɜ:rp/
he / she / it	usurps
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:'zɜ:ps/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ju:'zɜ:rps/
past simple, past participle	usurped
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:'zɜ:pt/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ju:'zɜ:rpt/
-ing form	usurping
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:'zɜ:pɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /ju:'zɜ:rɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'appropriate a right wrongfully'): from Old French **usurper**, from Latin **usurpare** 'seize for use'.

Example Bank:

- Democratically elected representatives should not be usurped by pressure groups.
- He attempted to usurp the principal's authority.
- She is scheming to take my place and usurp my power.

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usurp /ju'zɜ:p/ *BrE* *AmE* *verb* [transitive]

[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** usurper, from Latin usurpare 'to take something by using it', from usus (⇒ **use**¹) + rapere 'to seize']

formal to take someone else's power, position, job etc when you do not have the right to:

There were a couple of attempts to usurp the young king.

—**usurper** *noun* [countable]

—**usurpation** /ju'zɜ:pə'tʃən/ *noun* [uncountable]

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