

## league

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1. [li:g] *n*

## 1. лига, союз

the League of Nations - *уст.* Лига Наций

in league with smb. - в союзе с кем-л.

2. *спорт.* лига, класс

A league - первая лига, класс А

B league - вторая лига, класс Б

league games - игры между командами класса А или Б (*футбол, регби*)league title - *спорт.* звание чемпиона класса А или Б

league football championship - соревнование /чемпионат/ футбольных команд класса А или Б

## 3. класс, категория, разряд; группа

to be not in the same league - не идти ни в какое сравнение

the two men are not in the same league - это люди совершенно разного уровня /калибра/;  $\cong$  их даже сравнивать нельзяhe's simply not in your league -  $\cong$  он вам неровняtop [bottom] of the league - самый лучший [самый плохой] в своём классе /в своей профессии, деятельности *и т. п.* /2. [li:g] *v*

## 1) образовать союз, объединить в союз

## 2) входить в союз, объединяться, образовать союз

to league together against a common enemy - объединиться против общего врага

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[li:g] *n*лига, льё (*мера расстояния; = 4,83 км*)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**league** [league leagues leagued leaguing] *BrE* [ˈliːɡ] *NAmE* [ˈliːɡ] *noun*

## 1. a group of sports teams who all play each other to earn points and find which team is best

- major league baseball
- United were league champions last season.
- If we look at the league table we can see Bolton are bottom with 21 points.

**see also** ↑minor-league

## 2. (informal) a level of quality, ability, etc

- As a painter, he is **in a league of his own** (= much better than others) .
- They're **in a different league** from us.
- When it comes to cooking, I'm **not in her league** (= she is much better than me) .
- A house like that is **out of our league** (= too expensive for us) .

## 3. a group of people or nations who have combined for a particular purpose

**Syn:** ↑alliance

- the League of Nations
- a meeting of the Women's League for Peace

**see also** ↑Ivy League

## 4. (old use) a unit for measuring distance, equal to about 3 miles or 4 000 metres

**Idiom:** ↑in leagueWord Origin:**senses 1 to 3** late Middle English French Italian *lega legare* 'to bind' Latin *ligare***sense 4** late Middle English late Latin *leuga leuca* late Greek *leugē* Provençal *lega* modern French *lieue*Example Bank:

- As a painter he is in a league of his own.
- He played Sunday League cricket for years.
- He set a league record for the longest touchdown run.
- Hopefully he'll get called up to the big leagues soon.
- The Yankees dominated the league in 1998.
- The team is now in the Premier League.
- The team joined the Northern League last year.
- The team slipped to the foot of the Northern League table.
- They want to start a new football league.
- They're hoping to improve their position in the league.
- This move propelled him into the political big league.
- Those two crooks seem to be in league with each other.
- Today's technology is in a different league.
- a baseball field with a Little League game going on
- new proposals for a European super league
- players for a team in a fantasy league
- school league tables
- the League for Prison Reform
- the countries in the Arab League

- the first women's professional athletic league in the US
- the standard for professional sports leagues in this country
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**league** **W2** /liːɡ/ **BrE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **AmE** <sup>ˈ</sup> *noun* [countable]

[Sense 1-5: Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: ligue 'agreement to act together', from Old Italian liga, from ligare 'to tie']

[Sense 6: Date: 1300-1400; Language: Late Latin; Origin: leuga]

1. a group of sports teams or players who play games against each other to see who is best:

ˈ He makes his football league debut tomorrow.

ˈ the Rugby League Championship

**be (at the) top/bottom of the league** (=be the best or the worst team in a group)

2. a group of people or countries who have joined together because they have similar aims, political beliefs etc:

ˈ the National Socialist League

3. **not be in the same league (as somebody/something)** to be not nearly as good or important as someone or something else:

ˈ They're not in the same league as the French at making wine.

4. **be in a different league** to be much better than someone or something else:

ˈ For most of the match, Brazil were in a different league, and won 4–0.

5. **be out of your league** to not be skilled or experienced enough to do or deal with something

6. **be in league (with somebody)** to be working with someone secretly, especially for a bad purpose:

ˈ Vernon was accused by his enemies of being in league with the devil.

7. an ancient unit for measuring distance, equal to three miles or about 4,828 metres on land, and three <sup>↑</sup>nautical miles or 5,556 metres at sea

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