

# employ

## 1. [ɪmˈplɔɪ] n

### 1. работа по найму; служба

to be in [out of] employ - иметь работу /службу/ [быть безработным]

to be in the employ of smb. - работать/служить/ у кого-л.

to have in one's employ - иметь у себя на службе, нанимать

the company has ten stenographers in its employ - в компании работает 10 стенографисток

to be in the government's employ - быть на государственной службе

### 2. арх., поэт. дело, занятие

## 2. [ɪmˈplɔɪ] v

### 1. предоставлять работу; нанимать; держать на службе, работе; пользоваться услугами

the factory employs about a thousand workers - на фабрике занято около тысячи рабочих

to be employed - работать по найму, служить (у кого-л.)

100 men are employed by the firm - штат фирмы состоит из 100 человек

to be gainfully employed - иметь оплачиваемую работу

### 2. употреблять, использовать, применять

to employ one's time in reading - проводить время за чтением

to employ a pen for sketching - для эскизов пользоваться пером

to employ questionable methods - пользоваться сомнительными методами

to employ capital - использовать капитал

to employ the right word - употребить нужное слово

your time can be more profitably employed - вы можете употребить своё время с большей пользой

### 3. 1) часто refl заниматься

he employed himself in growing roses after he retired - после выхода на пенсию он занялся разведением роз

### 2) занимать (кого-л.)

to employ a child at cutting out paper dolls - занять ребёнка вырезанием бумажных кукол

### 4. mex. загружать оборудование

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**em-ploy** [**employ employs employed employing**] **verb, noun** BrE [ɪmˈplɔɪ] <sup>us</sup>

NAme [ɪmˈplɔɪ]

verb

## 1. to give sb a job to do for payment

• ~ **sb** How many people does the company employ?

• ~ **sb as sth** For the past three years he has been employed as a firefighter.

• ~ **sb to do sth** A number of people have been employed to deal with the backlog of work.

**see also** ↑self-employed, ↑unemployed

## 2. ~ sth (formal) to use sth such as a skill, method, etc. for a particular purpose

• He criticized the repressive methods employed by the country's government

• The police had to employ force to enter the building.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	employ
	BrE /ɪmˈplɔɪ/
	NAme /ɪmˈplɔɪ/
he / she / it	employs
	BrE /ɪmˈplɔɪz/
	NAme /ɪmˈplɔɪz/
past simple, past participle	employed
	BrE /ɪmˈplɔɪd/
	NAme /ɪmˈplɔɪd/
-ing form	employing
	BrE /ɪmˈplɔɪɪŋ/
	NAme /ɪmˈplɔɪɪŋ/

## Word Origin:

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## Thesaurus:

### employ verb T

• More people have been employed to deal with the extra work.

**take sb on** • **recruit** • **contract** • **appoint** • **sign** • |especially AmE **hire** • |especially BrE, formal **engage** • |law **retain** •

### Opp: dismiss

employ/take on/recruit/appoint/sign/hire/engage/retain sb **as sth**

employ/take on/recruit/contract/appoint/sign/hire/engage/retain sb **to do sth**

employ/take on/recruit/contract/hire **workers/staff**

## Collocations:

### Jobs

### Getting a job

look for work

look for/apply for/go for a job

get/pick up/complete/fill out/ (BrE) fill in an application (form)

send/email your (BrE) CV/(NAme) résumé/application/application form/covering letter

be called for/have/attend an interview

offer sb a job/work/employment/promotion

find/get/land a job

employ/ (especially NAme) hire/recruit/ (especially BrE) take on staff/workers/trainees

recruit/appoint a manager

### Doing a job

arrive at/get to/leave work/the office/the factory

start/finish work/your shift

do/put in/work overtime

have/gain/get/lack/need experience/qualifications

do/get/have/receive training

learn/pick up/improve/develop (your) skills

cope with/manage /share/spread the workload

improve your/achieve a better work-life balance

have (no) job satisfaction/job security

### Building a career

have a job/work/a career/a vocation

find/follow/pursue/ (especially NAme) live (out) your vocation

enter/go into/join a profession

choose/embark on/start/begin/pursue a career

change jobs/profession/career

be/ (both especially BrE) work/go freelance

do/take on temp work/freelance work

do/be engaged in/be involved in voluntary work

### Leaving your job

leave/ (especially NAme) quit/resign from your job

give up work/your job/your career

hand in your notice/resignation

plan to/be due to retire in June/next year, etc.

take early retirement

### Example Bank:

- A large part of the workforce is employed in agriculture.
- By 1960 the arms industry directly employed 3.5 million people.
- Mark is currently employed as a Professor of Linguistics.
- Self-checkout terminals are increasingly employed by retailers.
- Some teachers employ more traditional methods.
- The army has far more junior officers than it can usefully employ.
- The safety net is an image commonly employed in everyday life.
- Those not gainfully employed are dependent on their savings.
- When properly employed, non-lethal weapons will save lives.
- Will and Joe were busily employed in clearing out all the furniture.
- You'd be far better employed taking care of your own affairs.
- Your time would be better employed doing something else.
- teaching that actively employs computers in innovative and fruitful ways
- the tactics employed by the police
- He criticized the repressive methods employed by the country's government

**Idioms:** ↑employed in doing something ▪ ↑in somebody's employ ▪ ↑in the employ of somebody

noun uncountable

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1. **em** **ploy**<sup>1</sup> **S3 W2** /ɪm'plɔɪ/ BrE <sup>2</sup> AmE <sup>2</sup> verb [transitive]

[Word Family: noun: ↑employee, ↑employer, ↑employment ≠ ↑unemployment, ↑unemployed, ↑employ; adjective: employed ≠ ↑unemployed, ↑employable ≠ ↑unemployable; verb: ↑employ]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: French; Origin: *employer* 'to use', from Latin *implicare*; ⇒ ↑*implicate*]

1. to pay someone to work for you:

<sup>2</sup> The factory employs over 2,000 people.

### employ somebody as something

" Kelly is employed as a mechanic.

### employ somebody to do something

" We have been employed to look at ways of reducing waste.

### REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually say **give** someone a **job** rather than **employ** someone, and **have a job** rather than **be employed** :

- They gave him a job delivering furniture.
- He has a job at the factory.

### 2. to use a particular object, method, skill etc in order to achieve something

#### employ a method/technique/tactic etc

" The report examines teaching methods employed in the classroom.

### REGISTER

In everyday English, people usually say **use** a method rather than **employ** a method.

### 3. [usually passive] formal to spend your time doing a particular thing

#### be employed in (doing) something

" Her days are employed in gardening and voluntary work.

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### THESAURUS

- **use**: Do you mind if I use your phone? | They rebuilt the church using local stone. | We use a range of different methods.
- **make use of something** to use something that is available to you: Staff can make use of a wide range of facilities. | She made full use of her contacts within the organization.
- **employ formal** to use a particular method or skill in order to achieve something: The surgeons employed a new technique. | They employed every means at their disposal (=every available method).
- **utilize formal** to use something that is available to you, for a practical purpose: The company has developed a new way to utilize solar energy. | a better way of utilizing the space
- **exploit** to use something as fully and effectively as possible, or to use something that will give you an advantage over your opponent: The country's natural resources have not yet been fully exploited. | He was quick to exploit any weakness in his opponent's argument.
- **apply** to use something such as a method, idea, or system in a particular situation: New technology is being applied to almost every industrial process. | I wanted to apply the things that I had learned on the course.
- **draw on something** to use information, knowledge, or experience that you have learned in the past: He was able to draw on his own experience as a diplomat when he was writing the book. | Journalists draw on information from many different sources.
- **resort to something** to use violence, force, threats etc as a way of achieving something: Extremists on both sides resort to violence. | We are prepared to resort to force if necessary.

### II. employ<sup>2</sup> BrE<sup>+</sup> AmE<sup>+</sup> noun

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#### in sb's employ old-fashioned working for someone:

" He had a number of servants in his employ.

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