

Inquisition[ˌɪŋkwɪˈzɪʃ(ə)n] *n*

1. *книжн.* исследование, изыскание; изучение
2. *юр.* расследование, следствие
3. 1) (the Inquisition) *уст.* инквизиция
the Spanish Inquisition - испанская инквизиция
- 2) допрос (*жестокий*); пытка

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in·qui·si·tion [**inquisition** **inquisitions**] *BrE* [ˌɪŋkwɪˈzɪʃn] [♯] *NAmE* [ˌɪŋkwɪˈzɪʃn][♯] **noun**

1. **the Inquisition** **singular** the organization set up by the Roman Catholic Church to punish people who opposed its beliefs, especially from the 15th to the 17th century
 2. **countable** (**formal** or **humorous**) a series of questions that sb asks you, especially when they ask them in an unpleasant way
 - She then subjected me to an inquisition about my romantic life.
- see also** ↑Spanish Inquisition

Word Origin:late Middle English (denoting a searching examination): via Old French from Latin **inquisitio(n)-** ‘**examination**’, from the verb **inquirere** (based on **quaerere** ‘**seek**’).**inquisition**

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in·qui·si·tion /ˌɪŋkwɛɪzɪʃən, ˌɪŋkwɪzən/ *BrE* [♯] *AmE* [♯] **noun**[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** French; **Origin:** Latin **inquirere**; ⇒ ↑**inquire**]

1. **the Inquisition** a Roman Catholic organization in the past whose aim was to find and punish people who had unacceptable religious beliefs
2. [**countable usually singular**] a series of questions that someone asks you in a threatening or unpleasant way:
 - I had to face a two-hour inquisition from my parents about where I'd been.

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