

adult1. [ˈædʌlt, əˈdʌlt] *n*

1. взрослый, совершеннолетний, зрелый человек
 courses for adults - школа для взрослых
 for adults only - ≅ детям до 16 лет смотреть не разрешается (*надпись*)
 young adults - молодёжь (*в возрасте от 17 до 21 года*)

2. *юр.*

- 1) юноша старше 14 лет, девушка старше 12 лет
 2) совершеннолетний, лицо, достигшее совершеннолетия (*обыкн. 18-21 год*)
 adults must accept full responsibility for their actions - совершеннолетние должны нести полную ответственность за свои действия

3. *биол.* взрослая особь2. [ˈædʌlt, əˈdʌlt] *a*

1. 1) взрослый; совершеннолетний, зрелый
 2) достойный взрослого; солидный, зрелый
 adult behaviour - солидное поведение
 adult approach to the problem - зрелый подход к вопросу
2. 1) для взрослых
 adult education - обучение взрослых
 adult film /movie/ - фильм для взрослых; ≅ дети до 16 лет не допускаются
- 2) *эвф.* «только для взрослых», порнографический, спекулирующий на сексе
 adult bookstore - магазин порнографической литературы
 adult entertainment - стриптиз, порнографические шоу *и т. п.*
 adult business district - район публичных домов, кинотеатров, демонстрирующих откровенно сексуальные фильмы, кабаков со стриптизом *и т. п.*
3. 1) пожилой
 2) предназначенный для пожилых
 adult communities - дома *или* посёлки для престарелых

adult

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adult **AW** [adult adults] **noun, adjective** *BrE* [ˈædʌlt] ^m *NAmE* [ˈædʌlt] ^m *BrE* [əˈdʌlt] ^m *NAmE* [əˈdʌlt] ^m

noun

1. a fully grown person who is legally responsible for their actions

Syn: ↑grown-up

- Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Why can't you two act like civilized adults?

2. a fully grown animal

- The fish return to the river as adults in order to breed.

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from Latin **adultus**, past participle of **adolescere** 'grow to maturity', from **ad-** 'to' + **alescere** 'grow, grow up', from **alere** 'nourish'.

Thesaurus:

adult **noun** **C**

- Can't you two act like civilized adults?

grown-up •

Opp: child, **Opp:** minor

act/behave/talk/eat **like** a/an adult/grown-up

a **responsible** adult/grown-up

Adult or grown-up? **Grown-up** is often used by or to children

- Ask a grown-up to help you.

Example Bank:

- I simply can't believe that responsible adults allowed a child to wander the streets.
- The number of single adult households has doubled in the past 30 years.
- This book will definitely appeal to teenagers and young adults.
- What consenting adults do in private is their own business.
- Why can't you two act like civilized adults?

adjective

1. fully grown or developed

- preparing young people for adult life
- the adult population
- adult monkeys

2. behaving in an intelligent and responsible way; typical of what is expected of an adult

Syn: ↑grown-up

- When my parents split up, it was all very adult and open.

3. **only before noun** intended for adults only, because it is about sex or contains violence

- an adult movie

see also ↑adulthood

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grown • • **grown-up** • • **mature** •

Opp: juvenile, **Opp:** childish

a/an adult/grown/mature **man/woman**

a grown-up/mature **child/boy/girl**

Adult or mature? **Adult** most often refers to physical development, **mature** most often refers to mental development

- an adult male
- adult education (= for adults, not children)
- a mature conversation/attitude (= sensible, not childish)

Example Bank:

- She spent her entire adult life caring for others.
- Young children become quickly bored by adult conversation.

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I. **ad** **ult**¹ **S2 W2 AC** /'ædʌlt, ə'dʌlt/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **noun** [countable]

1. a fully-grown person, or one who is considered to be legally responsible for their actions ⇒ **child**:
" Some children find it difficult to talk to adults.

2. a fully-grown animal:
" The adults have white bodies and grey backs.

II. **adult**² **W3 AC** *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ **adjective**

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of *adolescere* 'to grow up']

1. [only before noun] fully grown or developed:
" an adult lion
" the adult population
" He lived most of his adult life in Scotland.

2. typical of an adult's behaviour or of the things adults do:
" dealing with problems in an adult way
" That wasn't very adult of you.

3. [only before noun] adult films, magazines etc are about sex or related to sex:
" The film is rated R for language and adult themes.

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