

much**1. [mʌtʃ] n****1. многое**

to see much - много(е) видеть

there is not much to see /to be seen/ - (здесь) не на что смотреть; здесь мало интересного

to do much - много(е) сделать

there is much to do /to be done/ - многое надо сделать

to suffer much - много(е) пережить [*см. тж.* much III 1, 1) и 2)]

much still remains to be done - осталось ещё много работы, ещё многое нужно сделать

there is not much left - мало (что) /немного/ осталось

to say much - (рас)сказать многое

there is much to say - многое нужно (рас)сказать, о многом нужно поговорить

much of smth. - большая часть чего-л.

much of what you say is true - многое из того, что вы говорите, справедливо; вы во многом правы

to be worth /to amount to/ much - стоить многого, представлять большую /значительную/ ценность

his work is not up to much - его работа большой ценности не представляет

it leaves much to be desired - это оставляет желать многого /лучшего/

there is not much in him - он ничего (особенного) собой не представляет

much he knows about it - *ирон.* много он (об этом) знает

2. в сочетаниях:

as much - это - то; именно это

to think as much - так и думать

I expected as much - именно этого я и ожидал; я ничего другого не ожидал [*см.* much II 2]

as much again - ещё столько же

I want as much again - мне нужно ещё столько же

◇ to be too much for smb. - оказаться не по силам кому-л.

not much of a scholar - не очень-то /не ахти какой/ образованный человек

not much of a teacher - весьма посредственный преподаватель

not much of a dinner - далеко не шикарный обед

to make much of smb., smth. - а) высоко ценить кого-л., что-л.; быть высокого мнения о ком-л., чём-л.; б) носиться с кем-л., чем-л.; много говорить о ком-л., чём-л.

to think much of smb., smth. = to make much of smb., smth.

to think it much to do smth. - а) считать важным что-л. сделать; б) стесняться что-л. сделать

not to be much to look at - не отличаться привлекательной внешностью; ≅ не на что смотреть

it is too much of a good thing - хорошенького понемножку; это уж слишком /чересчур/

much will have more - *посл.* чем больше имеешь, тем больше хочется

2. [mʌtʃ] a (more; most)**1. 1) много**

much water [rain, time] - много воды [дождей, времени]

I had much difficulty in convincing her - мне было очень трудно /стоило большого труда/ её убедить

I have not got much time - у меня немного времени

there is much truth in that remark - в этом замечании много справедливого

much good may it do you - *ирон.* очень это тебе поможет, много тебе от этого толку

how much? - а) сколько?; how much time do you need? - сколько времени вам потребуется?; how much water do you want? - сколько вам нужно воды?; б) сколько стоит?

how much is it? - сколько это стоит?

how much is it a round? - сколько стоит фунт?

too much - слишком много

to put too much sugar [butter] - положить слишком много сахара [масла]

to cost too much - слишком дорого /много/ стоить

2) *уст.* многие

much people - много людей; многие люди

2. в сочетаниях:

so much so that - настолько, что; до такой степени, что

I was so much surprised that words failed me - я от удивления не мог найти слов

not so much ... as - не столько ... сколько; не так ... как

he is not so much angry as upset - он скорее огорчён, чем рассержен

as much as - столько же; так же много

give me as much - дайте мне столько же

twice as much - вдвое больше

can you do as much? - вы можете /способны/ сделать столько же? [*см.* much I 2]

3. [mʌtʃ] adv (more; most)**1. 1) очень**

to be much surprised [pleased, disappointed] - быть очень удивлённым [довольным, разочарованным /огорчённым/]

I am much obliged to you - я вам очень благодарен /признателем обязан/

to suffer much - очень страдать [*см. тж.* 2) и much I 1]

to enjoy smth. very much - получать большое удовольствие от чего-л.

to thank smb. very much for smth. - очень благодарить кого-л. за что-л.

to love smb. very [so, ever so] much - очень [так] любить кого-л.

I like it very [so, ever so] much - мне это очень нравится [так] нравится
I don't much like it - мне это не очень нравится
much to my astonishment [regret] - к моему большому удивлению [сожалению]

2) много

to eat [to drink, to cry, to talk] (too) much - (слишком) много есть [пить, плакать, разговаривать]
to suffer much - много страдать [см. тж. 1] и much I 1]
he doesn't swim much - он не очень много /не очень часто/ плавает
to see much of smb. - часто видется с кем-л.

2. приблизительно примерно, почти

to be much the same (in smth.) - быть приблизительно/почти/ таким же (в чём-л., в каком-л. отношении)
to be much of a size [of a height] - быть приблизительно/примерно, почти/ одного размера [роста /-ой высоты/]
to be much the same age, to be much of an age - быть приблизительно/примерно/ одного возраста
it was much about that time - это было приблизительно/примерно/ в то (самое) время
I left it much as I found it - я оставил это приблизительно/почти/ в таком же виде, в каком нашёл

3. усил. (при прилагательном в сравнит. и превосх. степенях) гораздо, значительно (на)много

much faster [better, worse, richer, happier, more carefully] - гораздо /значительно (на)много/ быстрее [лучше, хуже, богаче, счастливее, осторожнее]
much less agreeable - гораздо /значительно/ менее приятный

4. в сочетаниях:

as much as - (столько) сколько
to take as much as one desires - взять (столько), сколько хочется
to do as much as one can - сделать (столько), сколько можно /возможно/
to like nothing as much as music - ничего так (сильно) не любить, как музыку
I have three times as much as I want - у меня втрое больше, чем мне нужно
it is as much your fault as mine - вы виноваты в этом столько же, сколько и я; это в такой же мере ваша вина, как и моя
as much as to say - равносильно тому /всё равно/, что сказать
it is as much as to say /saying/ that he is a liar - это всё равно, что назвать его лжецом
it is as much as he can do to read - а) всё, что он умеет - это читать; б) он с трудом читает
it was as much as I could do not to cry - я с трудом удерживал слёзы, я с трудом удерживался, чтобы не расплакаться
much as - как бы ни
much as I like it - как бы мне это ни нравилось
much as I dislike it - как бы неприятно для меня это ни было; хотя мне это очень неприятно
much as I tried - как бы /сколько бы/ я ни пытался /ни старался/; хотя я очень старался
as much as (all) that - так сильно; так много; до такой степени
do you owe him as much as that? - (неужели) вы ему так много должны?
do you love her as much as (all) that? - вы так (сильно) её любите?
so much - так много
it takes so much time - на это уходит столько времени
not so much sugar, please - не (кладите) столько сахара, пожалуйста
that /this, so/ much - а) столько; give me that much - дайте мне вот столько; I have only done that much so far - я пока только вот сколько сделал; б) столько-то, это-то, хоть это
he admitted that much - это-то он признал
this much is certain - это-то точно /определённо/
you must know that much - это-то /хоть это/ вы должны знать
I shall say this /so/ much for him - вот что я скажу в его защиту /пользу/
by that much - настолько
the sleeves are too long by that much - рукава вот настолько длинны
◇ very much so - и очень даже; безусловно; именно так
not much - отнюдь (нет), совсем /конечно/ нет
so much for that - хватит (говорить) об этом, с этим покончено
so much for his friendship! - и это он называет дружбой!
(to be) much the worse (for smth.) - (быть) гораздо /значительно (на)много/ хуже (вследствие чего-л.)
so much the better [the worse, the more, the less] - тем лучше [хуже, больше, меньше]
much the best [the largest] - а) гораздо /значительно (на)много/ лучше [больше]; б) самый лучший [большой]

much

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much determiner, pronoun, adverb *BrE* [mʌtʃ] ^ɹ *NAme* [mʌtʃ] ^ɹ

determiner, pronoun used with uncountable nouns, especially in negative sentences to mean 'a large amount of sth', or after 'how' to ask about the amount of sth. It is also used with 'as', 'so' and 'too'.

- I don't have much money with me.
- 'Got any money?' ' **Not much** . '
- **How much** water do you need?
- **How much is it** (= What does it cost) ?
- Take **as much** time **as** you like.
- There was **so much** traffic **that** we were an hour late.
- I've got far **too much to** do.
- (formal) I lay awake for much of the night.
- (formal) There was much discussion about the reasons for the failure.

Word Origin:

Middle English: shortened from *muchel*, from Old English *micel* 'great, numerous, much', of Germanic origin; from an Indo-European root shared by Greek *megas*, *megal-*.

Grammar Point:

much / a lot of / lots of

Much is used only with uncountable nouns. It is used mainly in questions and negative sentences: ▪ Do you have much free time?

◇▪ How much ▪ experience have you had? ◇▪ I don't have much free time.

In statements a lot of or lots of (*informal*) is much more common: ▪ 'How much (money) does she earn? ◇▪ She earns a lot of money. You can also use plenty (of). These phrases can also be used in questions and negative sentences.

A lot of/lots of is still felt to be informal, especially in *BrE*, so in formal writing it is better to use much, a great deal of or a large amount of.

Very much and a lot can be used as adverbs ▪ I miss my family very much. ◇I miss very much my family. ◇▪ I miss my family a lot. ◇▪ Thanks a lot. In negative sentences you can use much: ▪ I didn't enjoy the film (very) much.

note at ↑*many*

Idioms: ↑*as much* ▪ ↑*as much as somebody can do* ▪ ↑*much as* ▪ ↑*not much in it* ▪ ↑*not much of a ...* ▪ ↑*this much*

adverb (more, most)

to a great degree

- Thank you **very much** for the flowers.
- I would very much like to see you again.
- He isn't in the office much (= often) .
- You worry **too much** .
- My new job is **much the same as** the old one.
- **Much to** her surprise he came back the next day.
- She's much better today.
- The other one was **much too** expensive.
- Nikolai's English was **much the worst** .
- We are **very much aware** of the lack of food supplies.
- I'm **not much good at** tennis.
- He was much loved by all who knew him.
- an appeal to raise much-needed cash

more at even/much/still less **at** ↑*less* adv.

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I. **much**¹ **S1 W1** /mʌtʃ/ *BrE* [□] *AmE* [□] *adverb*

1. by a great amount

much better/greater/easier etc

- Henry's room is much bigger than mine.
- These shoes are much more comfortable.
- I'm feeling very much better, thank you.

much too big/old etc

- He was driving much too fast.

much the best/most interesting etc *British English:*

- It's much the best way to do it.

GRAMMAR

The adverb **much** is mainly used before comparative adjectives:

- He's much older than she is.

Much can also be used before 'different' in negative sentences and questions:

- She doesn't look much different.

2.

a) used to ask or talk about the degree of a difference

how much older/smaller etc

- She kept weighing herself to see how much heavier she was getting.

b) used to ask or talk about how big an additional amount of something is

how much more/longer/further

- How much longer do we have to wait?
- How much further is it?

c) used to emphasize the difference you are mentioning

how much better/nicer/easier etc

- I was surprised to see how much better she was looking.
- How much better life would be if we returned to the values of the past!

3. used to talk about a strong feeling or something that is done often

how/however much

- You know how much I care about you.

I think you have to accept the pain, however much it hurts.

He talks too much.

We're looking forward to your visit so much.

Thank you very much!

much loved/admired/discussed etc

The money will buy much needed books for the school.

4. not ... much

a) only a little or hardly at all:

'Did you enjoy it?' 'No, not much.'

She isn't much younger than me.

Tony hasn't changed much in the last ten years.

b) used to say that something does not often happen:

We don't go to the theatre much any more.

Kids don't play outside as much as they used to. ⇒ ↑little³(2)

5. **much like something/much as** (also **much the same (as something)**) used to say that something is very similar to something else:

The house was very much as I'd remembered it.

The taste is much like butter.

Plants are classified in much the same way as animals.

6. **much to sb's surprise/embarrassment etc formal** used to say that someone feels very surprised, embarrassed etc when something happens:

Much to my relief, the conversation turned to another topic.

7. **much less** used to say that a greater thing is even less true, likely, or possible than the thing you have just mentioned:

The shelves were lined with books which neither Hugo nor Sally would ever open, much less read.

8. **much as** although:

Much as I like Bob, I wouldn't want to live with him.

9. **not so much ... as ...** used to say that one description of someone or something is less suitable or correct than another:

She was not so much nervous as impatient for the journey to be over.

⇒ **so much the better** at ↑better³(2)

II. **much**² **S1 W1 BrE** ^{AmE} **determiner, pronoun**

1. a large amount of something:

I don't have much money with me.

Was there much traffic?

He didn't say much about his trip.

Do you get much chance to travel in your job?

After much consideration we have finally arrived at a decision.

much of

Much of the city was destroyed in the attack.

(far/rather/a little) too much

There was too much work for one person.

It would cost far too much to have the thing repaired.

It was such a small thing to have caused so much trouble.

GRAMMAR

Much is used before uncountable nouns, mainly in questions and negative sentences, or after **too** or **so**:

▪ Was there much mess?

▪ I don't have much time.

▪ We've wasted too much time.

▶ Do not use **much** before plural nouns. Use **many** or **a lot of**:

▪ There are too many advertisements (NOT too much advertisements) on television.

REGISTER

Much sounds formal in positive statements. In everyday English, people usually say **a lot of**:

▪ The dress cost a lot of money.

▪ After a lot of thought I said yes.

2. **how much** used to ask or talk about the amount or cost of something:

How much is that dress?

How much flour should I use in the sauce?

I know how much hard work goes into looking after a baby.

3. **as much** an amount that is equal and not less

as much (...) as

I hope you have as much fun as I did.

Just do as much as you can.

4. **as much as 10/100 etc** used to emphasize how surprisingly large an amount is:

Some machines cost as much as £20,000.

5. used in negative expressions to say that something is not important, interesting, good etc

not/nothing much

'What are you doing?' 'Oh, not much, really.'

There's nothing much we can do to help.

I don't think much of that idea (=I do not think it is good).

The car may not be much to look at (=it does not look good) but it's very reliable.

It's the best book he's written, but that's not saying much (=none of his books is very good).

6. **not be much of a something** to not be a good example of something or not be very good at something:
 - " I'm not much of a dancer, I'm afraid.
 - " It wasn't really much of a storm.
7. **be too much for somebody** to be too difficult for someone to do or bear:
 - " The effort of climbing the stairs had been too much for the old man.
 - " The shock had been too much for her – she never recovered.
8. **not be up to much** *British English spoken* to be fairly bad:
 - " The restaurant's very grand but the food isn't up to much.
9. **there is not much in it** *informal* used to say that there is little difference between two things or amounts:
 - " 'Isn't the woollen carpet more expensive?' 'A little, perhaps, but there's not much in it.'
10. **think/say etc as much** to think or say the thing that has just been mentioned:
 - " Carson strongly disapproved of the plan and said as much at the meeting.
 - " 'Max was lying all the time.' 'I thought as much.'
11. **it was as much as somebody could do to do something** used to say that someone only succeeded in doing something with great difficulty:
 - " He looked so stupid, it was as much as I could do to stop myself from laughing.
12. **not/without so much as something** used when you are surprised or annoyed that someone did not do something:
 - " They left without so much as saying goodbye.
 - " He'd received not so much as a thank you from Tiffany.
13. **so much for something** used to say that a particular action, idea, statement etc was not useful or did not produce the result that was hoped for:
 - " He's late again. So much for good intentions.
14. **I'll say this/that much for somebody/something** used when saying one good thing about someone or something when they are being criticized a lot:
 - " Well, he does admit it when he's wrong, I'll say that much for him.
15. **as much again** an additional amount that is equal:
 - " The car only cost me £1,500 but it cost as much again to get it insured.
16. **be a bit much/be too much** *British English spoken* used to say that someone's behaviour is unacceptable or impolite:
 - " It's a bit much expecting you to pay for it all.
17. **make much of somebody/something** *formal* to treat a person or thing as though you think they are very important or special:
 - " The press made much of the discovery.
 - " They've always made much of their nephews and nieces.

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