# mechanism

#### 1. механизм, аппарат, устройство

defence mechanism - защитный механизм pre-set mechanism - *mex*. программный механизм the mechanism of the body - строение (человеческого) тела the mechanism of the government- устройство государственного управления /аппарата/; государственный механизм quite a simple mechanism - очень простое устройство there's something wrong with the mechanism of the clock - что-то случилось с механизмом этих часов

### 2. техника (исполнения)

### 3. филос. механицизм

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mech·an·ism AW [mechanism mechanisms] BrE ['mekənɪzəm] NAmE ['mekənɪzəm] noun

## **1.** a set of moving parts in a machine that performs a task

- a delicate watch mechanism
- The mechanism for locking the door of the washing machine is childproof.
- 2. a method or a system for achieving sth
- mechanisms for dealing with complaints from the general public
- The college has established an effective student support mechanism.
- 3. a system of parts in a living thing that together perform a particular function
- the balance mechanism in the ears
- Pain acts as a natural defence mechanism .

## Word Origin:

mid 17th cent.: from modern Latin mechanismus, from Greek mekhane, from mekhos 'contrivance'.

## Example Bank:

- · Scientists have been unable to explain the exact mechanism behind this effect.
- The body has defence mechanisms against many diseases.
- The door locking mechanism doesn't work.
- The government is held accountable through the mechanism of regular general elections.
- The gun froze, jamming the mechanism.
- The system provides a mechanism whereby information is channelled into the market.
- This activates the body's thirst mechanism.
- · a mechanism for dealing with complaints
- an effective mechanism for enforcing the rules
- · physiological mechanisms regulating the release of hormones
- Simple repetition was regarded as an effective learning mechanism.
- · The present mechanisms of government could be improved
- Various mechanisms are in place for dealing with emergencies.
- We need some kind of mechanism for making appointments.

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# 1. part of a machine or a set of parts that does a particular job:

- the brake mechanism
- a clock mechanism
- 2. a system that is intended to achieve something or deal with a problem

### mechanism for (doing) something

- existing mechanisms for decision making
- mechanism to do something
  - The Army has set up mechanisms to help jobless ex-soldiers get work. ⇒ fexchange rate mechanism
- **3**. a system or a way of behaving that helps a living thing to avoid or protect itself from something difficult or dangerous defence/control/survivalmechanism
  - When a person is ill, the body's natural defence mechanisms come into operation.

## 4. the way that something works

- mechanism of
  - the mechanism of the brain

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