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1. [bend] *n*
- 1) сгиб, изгиб; кривизна; дуга
bend of the arm - локтевой сгиб
 - 2) сгибание
 - 3) согнутое состояние
2. поворот
- a bend of a river - излучина реки
a sharp bend in a road - крутой поворот дороги
a road makes many bends - дорога очень извилистая
3. наклон (*корпуса, головы и т. п.*)
- a bend of the head - наклон головы
back [front, side] bend - наклон назад [вперёд, в сторону]
4. стремление; склонность, влечение
5. *тех.* колено, отвод
6. *pl мор.*
- 1) рельсы
 - 2) шпангоуты
7. *pl разг.* кессонная болезнь; воздушная эмболия
- ◇ above one's bend - *амер.* не по силам, не по способностям
on the bend - *сл.* в запое
to give up being on the bend - бросить пить
get a bend on you! - пошевеливайся!
round the bend - *разг.* свихнувшийся, не в своём уме
2. [bend] *v (bent)*
- I
- 1) гнуть, сгибать; изгибать
to bend a pipe at the right angle - согнуть трубу под прямым углом
to bend a bow - сгибать лук
 - 2) гнуться, сгибаться
the stick bends but does not break - палка гнётся, но не ломается
to bend under a strain - гнуться /прогибаться/ под давлением /тяжестью/
to bend beneath a burden - согнуться под тяжестью
2. 1) наклонять
- to bend one's body - наклониться
to bend one's head over a book - склониться над книгой
- 2) наклоняться
- she bent over her child - она наклонилась к ребёнку, она склонилась над ребёнком
can you bend down and touch your toes, but without bending your knees? - ты можешь нагнуться и дотронуться до кончиков пальцев, не сгибая колени?
to bend low before smb. - склониться перед кем-л. в глубоком поклоне
to be bent with age - ссутулиться /согнуться/ с годами
3. 1) поворачивать, сворачивать
the road [the river] bends to the right - дорога [река] поворачивает направо
- 2) направляться
- to bend one's steps towards a place - отправиться куда-л.
to bend one's steps homewards - направиться домой; повернуть свои стопы к дому
4. 1) покорять, подчинять
- to bend smb. to one's will - подчинить кого-л. своей воле
to bend smb. to a strict discipline - заставить кого-л. подчиниться строгой дисциплине /соблюдать строгий режим/
she is determined, I can't bend her - она приняла твёрдое решение, я не могу заставить её изменить его
- 2) покоряться, подчиняться
- to bend to smb.'s will - покориться чьей-л. воле
he bent to her wishes - он уступил её желаниям, он сделал, как она хотела
5. *шотл.* пьянствовать
- II A
1. обратить (*взор, внимание и т. п.*)
all eyes were bent on her - все взоры /взоры всех присутствующих/ были обращены на неё /прикованы к ней/
with his eyes bent on the ground - потупив взор, опустив глаза, уставившись в землю
 2. приложить (*усилия и т. п.*); направить (*энергию и т. п.*)
to bend all one's energies to smth. - направлять всю свою энергию на что-л.
to bend every effort - сделать всё возможное
to bend one's mind to study - (решить) посвятить себя занятиям
he couldn't bend his mind to his studies - он никак не мог заставить себя заниматься
to bend one's rage against smb. - озлобиться на кого-л.; излить на кого-л. свою злобу
- II Б
- to be bent on smth. (on doing smth.) решиться на что-л.; твёрдо решить что-л. сделать
he's bent on mastering Spanish - он твёрдо решил овладеть испанским

to bend the knee - а) преклонить колена; б) молиться
 to bend the neck - гнуть шею, покоряться, унижаться
 to bend to the oars - налечь на вёсла
 to bend the brow - а) поднимать брови; б) хмурить брови, хмуриться
 to bend with the wind - подчиняться обстоятельствам

II

1. [bend] *n мор.*
узел
2. [bend] *v (bent) мор.*
привязывать (*тросы, паруса*)

II

- [bend] *n*
1. *геральд.* пояс (*диагональная полоса, идущая от левой верхней стороны герба, изображённого на щите*)
 2. *спец.* наиболее толстая часть кожи быка (*идущая на приготовление ремней, подметок и т. п.*)
 3. *геол.* твёрдая, слежавшаяся глина

bend

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

bend [bend bends bent bending] *verb, noun* *BrE* [bend] ^m *NAmE* [bend] ^m
verb (**bent, bent** *BrE* [bent] ^m ; *NAmE* [bent] ^m)

1. **intransitive, transitive** (*especially of sb's body or head*) to lean, or make sth lean, in a particular direction
 - He bent and kissed her.
 - The doctor told me to avoid bending and stretching.
 - **+ adv./prep.** fields of poppies bending in the wind
 - His dark head bent over her.
 - She bent forward to pick up the newspaper.
 - Slowly bend from the waist and bring your head down to your knees.
 - **~ sth (+ adv./prep.)** He bent his head and kissed her.
 - She was bent over her desk writing a letter.
2. **transitive, intransitive ~ (sth)** if you bend your arm, leg, etc. or if it bends, you move it so that it is no longer straight
 - Bend your knees, keeping your back straight.
 - Lie flat and let your knees bend.
3. **transitive ~ sth** to force sth that was straight into an angle or a curve
 - Mark the pipe where you want to bend it.
 - The knives were bent out of shape.
 - He bent the wire into the shape of a square.
4. **intransitive, transitive** to change direction to form a curve or an angle; to make sth change direction in this way
 - The road bent sharply to the right.
 - **~ sth** Glass and water both bend light.

more at bend/lean over backwards (to do sth) **at** ↑ backwards, bend/stretch the rules **at** ↑ rule _n.

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | bend |
| | <i>BrE</i> /bend/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /bend/ |
| he / she / it | bends |
| | <i>BrE</i> /bendz/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /bendz/ |
| past simple, past participle | bent |
| | <i>BrE</i> /bent/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /bent/ |
| -ing form | bending |
| | <i>BrE</i> /'bendɪŋ/ |
| | <i>NAmE</i> /'bendɪŋ/ |

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Thesaurus:

bend *verb*

1. I, T

• He bent and kissed her.

stoop • **bow** • **duck** • **bend down** • **bend over** • **crouch** • **hunch** • **squat** • **kneel** • |especially AmE **hunker down** •

Opp: straighten up

bend/stoop/bow/duck/crouch/hunch/squat/kneel/hunker **down**

bend/bow/duck your **head**

2. T

• He bent the wire into the shape of a square.

twist • **deform** • **buckle** • **warp** •

Opp: straighten

be bent/twisted **out of shape**
bend/buckle **under the weight of sth**

Example Bank:

- Avoid bending at the waist when lifting heavy objects.
- He came closer and bent towards her.
- I bent down and tied my shoelace.
- I had to bend double to get under the table.
- Sarah bent close to him.

Idioms: ↑bend somebody's ear ▪ ↑bend the truth ▪ ↑bend your mind to something ▪ ↑on bended knee ▪ ↑round the bend

Derived ↑bend somebody to something

noun

1. countable a curve or turn, especially in a road or river

- a sharp bend in the road
- You took that bend very fast!

see also ↑hairpin bend

2. the bends plural severe pain and difficulty in breathing experienced by a ↑diver who comes back to the surface of the water too quickly

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curve • • **turn** • • **corner** • • **twist** • • **zigzag** • • **hairpin** • |BrE **hairpin bend** • |AmE **hairpin curve/turn** •

around/round the bend/corner

a **sharp** bend/turn/corner/twist

Example Bank:

- He had a winning lead off the final bend.
- He slowed down to negotiate the bend.
- I inched the car into the bend.
- Slow down on the tight bends.
- Some of the hairpin bends had Ruth clinging to her seat.
- The car vanished around a bend.
- a series of dangerous bends
- a wide bend in the river
- mountain roads with steep gradients and blind bends
- Round a bend in the river there was the sound of splashing.
- The two vehicles collided on a sharp bend in the road.

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I. **bend**¹ **S3 W3** /bend/ BrE ^ˈ AmE ^ˈ verb (past tense and past participle **bent** /bent/)

[Language: Old English; Origin: bendan]

1. [intransitive and transitive] to move part of your body so that it is not straight or so that you are not upright:

- Lee bent and kissed her.
- She bent her head.
- Bend your knees, but keep your back straight.

bend over

- Emma bent over to pick up the coins.

bend down

- I bent down to lift the box off the floor.

bend towards/across etc

- He bent towards me and whispered in my ear.

2. [transitive] to push or press something so that it is no longer flat or straight:

- You need a special tool to bend the steel.

3. [intransitive] to become curved and no longer flat or straight:

- Several branches started bending towards the ground.

4. [intransitive] when a road bends, it changes direction to form a curve:

- The road bends sharply to the left.

5. bend the truth to say something that is not completely true

6. bend over backwards (to do something) to try very hard to be helpful:

- We bent over backwards to finish it on time.

7. bend sb's ear spoken to talk to someone, especially for a long time, about something that is worrying you

8. on bended knee

a) trying very hard to persuade someone to do something:

- He begged on bended knee for another chance.

b) in a kneeling position:

He went down on bended knee and asked her to marry him.

9. **bend your mind/efforts to something** *formal* to give all your energy or attention to one activity, plan etc

10. **bend to sb's will** *formal* to do what someone else wants, especially when you do not want to

⇒ **bend the rules** at ↑rule¹(1)

II. **bend**² *BrE* *AmE* *noun* [countable]

1. a curved part of something, especially a road or river:

The car came round the bend at a terrifying speed.

bend in

a sharp bend in the road

2. an action in which you bend a part of your body:

We started the session with a few knee bends to warm up.

3. **drive somebody round the bend** *British English spoken* to annoy someone:

His attitude drives me round the bend.

4. **be/go round the bend** *British English spoken* to be or become crazy:

I sometimes feel I'm going round the bend looking after young children all day.

5. **the bends** a painful and serious condition that ↑divers get if they come up from deep water too quickly

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COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **a sharp/tight bend** (=a curve that changes direction suddenly) That road sign means you are approaching a sharp bend.
- **a hairpin bend** (=a very sharp bend in which a road changes direction, usually on a mountain) The road wound up the mountain in a series of hairpin bends.
- **a slight/gentle/wide bend** (=that changes direction slightly or gradually) Ahead of us there was a wide bend in the river.
- **a blind bend** (=that you cannot see around when you are driving) Never overtake another car on a blind bend.
- **a left-hand/right-hand bend** (=going towards the left or the right) Take the turning just after the left-hand bend in the road.

■ verbs

- **come around/round the bend** Suddenly a motorbike came around the bend at top speed.
- **round the bend** He rounded the bend much too fast.

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