

eldest

[ˈeldɪst] *a*

1. *арх.* *superl* *om* old
2. 1) (самый) старший
 my eldest (child) - а) мой первенец; б) старший из моих (*живых*) детей
 2) старейший (*по возрасту*)
 the eldest of these only shall be considered as elected - избранным считается лишь старший по возрасту
3. *арх.* старинный, древний, древнейший, ранний
 the primal eldest curse (*Shakespeare*) - древнейшее проклятие
 ♦ the eldest hand - *карт.* игрок, ходящий первым

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eldest *BrE* [ˈeldɪst] ^m *NAmE* [ˈeldɪst] ^m *adjective*

1. (of people, especially of three or more members of the same family) oldest
 • Tom is my eldest son.
2. **the eldest** used without a noun immediately after it to show who is the oldest of three or more people
 • the eldest of their three children

Word Origin:

[**eldest**] Old English ieldest, eldest, of Germanic origin; related to German *ältest*, also to †old.

Synonyms:

old

elderly • aged • long-lived • mature

These words all describe sb/sth that has lived for a long time or that usually lives for a long time.

old • having lived for a long time; no longer young: ▪ She's getting old— she's 75 next year.

elderly • (*rather formal*) used as a polite word for 'old': ▪ She is very busy caring for two elderly relatives.

aged • (*formal*) very old: ▪ Having aged relatives to stay in your house can be quite stressful.

long-lived • having a long life; lasting for a long time: ▪ Everyone in my family is exceptionally long-lived

mature • used as a polite or humorous way of saying that sb is no longer young: ▪ clothes for the mature woman

a(n) old/elderly/aged/long-lived/mature **man/woman**

a(n) old/elderly/aged/mature **gentleman /lady/couple**

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eldest /ˈeldəst, ˈeldɪst/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *adjective especially British English*

the eldest of a group of people, especially brothers and sisters, is the one who was born first ⇒ **old**

eldest son/daughter/brother/child etc

▪ My eldest daughter is 17.

▪ He was the eldest of six children.

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