

# agenda

[ə'dʒendə] *n*

1. *pl om* agendum
2. повестка дня  
 provisional /tentative/ agenda - предварительная повестка дня  
 an item on the agenda - пункт /вопрос/ повестки дня  
 the agenda as it stands - повестка дня без изменений  
 to adopt the agenda - принять повестку дня  
 to place a question on the agenda - включить вопрос в повестку дня
3. *вчт.* программа

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**agenda** [agenda agendas] *BrE* [ə'dʒendə] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [ə'dʒendə] <sup>u</sup> **noun**

a list of items to be discussed at a meeting

- The next item **on the agenda** is the publicity budget.
- For the government, education is now **at the top of the agenda** (= most important) .
- In our company, quality is **high on the agenda** .
- Newspapers have been accused of trying to **set the agenda** for the government (= decide what is important) .

**see also** ↑hidden agenda

## Word Origin:

early 17th cent. (in the sense 'things to be done'): from Latin, neuter plural of **agendum**, gerundive of **agere** 'do' .

## Which Word?:

### agenda / diary / schedule / timetable

A book with a space for each day where you write down things that you have to do in the future is called a diary or a datebook (*NAmE*) (not an **agenda**). You may also have a calendar on your desk or hanging up in your room, where you write down your appointments. A diary or a journal is also the record that some people keep of what has happened during the day: = the Diary of Anne Frank .

In *BrE* your schedule is a plan that lists all the work that you have to do and when you must do each thing and a timetable is a list showing the fixed times at which events will happen: a = bus/train timetable . In *NAmE* these are both called a schedule.

## Example Bank:

- A copy of the agenda is circulated to delegates a month before the conference.
- An 18-point agenda was drawn up for the meeting.
- An expensive holiday is definitely off the agenda this year.
- Child poverty has been pushed off the agenda.
- He accused the government of having a hidden agenda.
- I will put this on the agenda for the next meeting.
- I'm not trying to push any agenda here.
- Improving trade between the two countries will be top of the agenda at the talks .
- In our company, quality is high on the agenda.
- Next on the agenda is deciding where we're going to live.
- Safety at work is on the agenda for next month's meeting.
- The college needs to draw up an agenda for change.
- The party has a rather narrow political agenda.
- The question of pay had been left off the agenda.
- They were pursuing their own agenda.
- We have a very full agenda of issues to discuss .
- We have an agreed agenda for action.
- We were following an agenda set by the students themselves.
- For the government, education is now at the top of the agenda.
- Newspapers have been accused of trying to set the agenda for the government

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**a** **gen** **da** /ə'dʒendə/ *BrE* <sup>u</sup> *AmE* <sup>u</sup> **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Latin; Origin: 'things to be done', from agere; ⇒ ↑agent]

1. a list of problems or subjects that a government, organization etc is planning to deal with  
**be high on the agenda/be top of the agenda** (=be one of the most important problems to deal with)

- Measures to combat terrorism will be high on the agenda.
- The government **set an agenda** for constitutional reform.

### political/economic/legislative/domestic etc agenda

- Our Centre has limited its research agenda to four areas.

2. the ideas that a political party thinks are important and the things that party aims to achieve:  
 • The Republicans have stuck to their conservative agenda.

3. a list of the subjects to be discussed at a meeting:

- the next **item** (=subject) **on the agenda**

⇒ **hidden agenda** at ↑hidden<sup>2</sup>(3)

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ phrases

- **be high on the agenda** New measures to combat terrorism are high on the agenda.
- **be (at the) top of the agenda** Energy efficiency is top of the agenda.
- **be on the political agenda** Immigration is an important issue on the political agenda.

### ■ verbs

- **have an agenda** Brown has an agenda for the university's future.
- **set an agenda** (=decide on the problems you want to deal with) The new government set an agenda for constitutional reform.
- **put something on the agenda** This incident has put the issue of racism firmly back on the agenda.
- **agree an agenda** The meeting ended in chaos as representatives were unable to agree an agenda.
- **establish/create/provide an agenda** (=begin to have an agenda) We need to establish an agenda for future research.

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