odds

1. шансы, вероятность, возможность

long odds - а) неравные шансы; б) значительное неравенство ставок

short odds - почти равные шансы

against (all) the odds - несмотря ни на что

by all odds - по всей вероятности

the odds are ten-to-one - шансы - десять против одного

the odds are two-to-one that it won't rain today - два против одного, что сегодня не будет дождя

heavy odds were against him - у него было мало шансов (на успех)

2. 1) преимущество, перевес; превосходство (одной из сторон)

against heavy /fearful/ odds - в исключительно неблагоприятных условиях, против значительно превосходящих сил to ask /to beg/ no odds (of) - *амер*. не добиваться преимуществ /скидок/

to give [to receive] odds - давать [получать] преимущество [*ср. тж.* \Diamond]

to win the election by considerable odds - пройти на выборах со значительным перевесом

the odds are in our favour- перевес на нашей стороне

the odds are against us - обстоятельствапротив нас /не в нашу пользу/

2) спорт. гандикап

3. разногласия

to be at odds - a) иметь разногласия; быть в ссоре /ссориться, не ладить, быть не в ладах/ (с кем-л.); б) не гармонировать, находиться в противоречии, расходиться, не соответствовать в) находиться в неблагоприятных условиях

4. разница, неравенство

overthe odds - слишком много, с избытком; более чем достаточно

to make odds even - устранить различия /разницу/

⊘ what's the odds? - а) какое это имеет значение?; ну и что?; б) спорт. какой счёт?

to give /to lay/ odds - держать пари на невыгодных для себя условиях (при проигрыше заплатить больше, чем получить при выигрыше) [ср. тж. 2, 1)]

to take odds - держать пари на выгодных для себя условиях

to shout the odds - хвастаться, бахвалиться

the odds are that ... - вероятнее всего, что ...

by long /all/ odds - намного, значительно, гораздо, решительно; несомненно, бесспорно

it is /makes/ no odds - неважно, не имеет значения; не составляет существенной разницы

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odds AW BrE [pdz] NAmE [a d² noun plural

1. (*usually* the odds) the degree to which sth is likely to happen

- The odds are very much in our favour (= we are likely to succeed) .
- The odds are heavily against him (= he is not likely to succeed) .
- The odds are that (= it is likely that) she'll win.
- What are the odds (= how likely is it) he won't turn up?
- 2. something that makes it seem impossible to do or achieve sth
- They secured a victory in the face of overwhelming odds.
- · Against all (the) odds , he made a full recovery.

3. (in betting) the connection between two numbers that shows how much money sb will receive if they win a bet

• odds of ten to one (= ten times the amount of money that has been bet by sb will be paid to them if they win)

• They are offering long/short odds (= the prize money will be high/low because there is a high/low risk of losing) on the defending

champion.

• (figurative) I'll lay odds on him getting the job (= I'm sure he will get it) .

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Idioms: 1at odds = 1it makes no odds = 1over the odds

Word Origin:

[odds] early 16th cent.: apparently the plural of the obsolete noun odd 'odd number or odd person'.

Example Bank:

- He will try hard to win, although he knows the odds are stacked against him.
- I'll lay odds we neversee him again.
- · She defied the odds to beat the clear favourite
- She struggled against terrible odds to overcome her illness.
- Sometimes an outsider will win at long odds, but not often.
- The bookmakers are offering only short odds on the favourite
- The film is a heart-warming tale of triumph against the odds.
- The odds against making a profit in this business are huge.
- The odds against their survival have lengthened.
- The odds on the outsider were 100–1.
- They were offering odds of ten to one.
- Against all (the) odds, he made a full recovery.
- I put £10 on Middlesbrough to beat Manchester at odds of three to one.
- The odds are heavily against him.

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1. PROBABILITY the odds how likely it is that something will or will not happen:

The odds are (=it is likely) that he will commit the same crime again.

the odds of

You can narrow the odds of a nasty accident happening in your home by being more safety-conscious.

the odds against

- ^{*} The odds against a plane crash are around a million to one.
- " I'm afraid that the odds are heavily against her winning (=it is not likely).
- " What are the odds (=how likely is it) that they will mess up?
- a new company that has beaten the odds and succeeded (=it was not likely to succeed, but it did)

2. DIFFICULTIES difficulties which make a good result seem very unlikely:

- The hospital's director has been battling against the odds to improve patient care.
- The soldiers' job was to hold on despite impossible odds.

3. be at odds

a) to disagree

be at odds with

Briggs found himself at odds with his colleagues.

be at odds over/on

The two politicians were at odds over what was the truth.

b) if two statements, descriptions, actions etc are at odds with each other, they are different although they should be the same be at odds with

- Mark's account of what happened is at odds with Dan's.
- She gave him a sweet smile, totally at odds with the look of dislike in her eyes.

4. HORSE RACING ETC the numbers that show how much money you will win if you [†]bet on the winner of a horse race or other

competition:

The odds are 6–1.

odds of

At odds of 10–1 he bet a hundred pounds.

(at) long/short odds (=high or low numbers, that show a high or low risk of losing)

Everyone was surprised when Desert Zone won the race, at very long odds.

lay/offer (somebody) odds British English:

They are laying odds of 8–1 that the Conservativeswill win the next election.

5. it makes no odds *British English spoken* used to say that what someone does or what happens is not important: Pay me now or later – it makes no odds.

6. pay over the odds British English informal to pay a higher price than is usual or reasonable:

Most residents live in tiny apartments and pay over the odds for them too.

COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

adjectives

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- enormous/considerable/incredible odds He survived a night in the cold water against incredible odds.
- great odds (=a lot of difficulties) We must hope that, despite great odds, we can achieve a peaceful settlement.

 impossible/overwhelming odds (=making success seem extremely unlikely) They face impossible odds simply trying to get an education. | They face overwhelming odds in their struggle to preserve the park.

verbs

• beat/overcome/defy the odds (=succeed despite great difficulties) The baby, born sixteen weeks too early, defied the odds and is celebrating her first birthday.

• battle/struggle against the odds (=work hard despite great difficulties) The Coastguard was battling against the odds to keep the oil spill from reaching the shore.

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• against all odds (=despite something seeming very unlikely) Against all odds, he recovered from his illness.

• the odds are stacked against somebody (=there are a lot of difficulties that may prevent someone's success) They may be able to build a life for themselves, but the odds are stacked against them.

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