assert

[ə'sɜ:t] v

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1. утверждать, заявлять

it is not directly asserted but it seems to be implied - об этом не заявлено прямо, но это, видимо, подразумевается his friends asserted that he was innocent - его друзья утверждали, что он невиновен

2. 1) юр. предъявлять претензию (на что-л.)

2) отстаивать доказывать (права)

- to assert one's independence отстаивать свою независимость
- to assert one's manhood доказывать своё право называться мужчиной

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as·sert [assert asserts asserted asserting] BrE [ə's3]t NAmE [ə's3 1]t verb

1. to state clearly and firmly that sth is true

- ~ that... She continued to assert that she was innocent.
- ~ sth She continued to assert her innocence.
- The German Chancellor was anxious to assert his government's commitment to further European unity.
- + speech 'That is wrong,' he asserted.
- it is asserted that... It is commonly asserted that older people prefer to receive care from family members.
- 2. ~ yourself to behave in a confident and determined way so that other people pay attention to your opinions
- You're too timid— you must try to assert yourself more.
- 3. ~ sth to make other people recognize your right or authority to do sth, by behaving firmly and confidently
 to assert your independence /rights
- I was determined to assert my authority from the beginning.

4. ~ itself to start to have an effect

- · Good sense asserted itself.
- Verb forms: verb form

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	assert
	BrE /əˈsɜːt/
	NAmE /aˈsɜ:rt/
he / she /it	asserts
	BrE /əˈsə:ts/
	NAmE /əˈsə:rts/
past simple, past participle	asserted
	BrE /əˈsə:tɪd/
	NAmE /əˈsɜ:rtɪd/
-ing form	asserting
	BrE /əˈsɜːtɪŋ/
	NAmE /@'ss:rtm/

Word Origin:

early 17th cent.: from Latin asserere 'claim, affirm', from ad- 'to' + serere 'to join'.

Example Bank:

- · He managed to assert his power over the media.
- She wished to assert her independence from her parents.
- The report asserts confidently that the industry will grow.
- They successfully asserted their right to protect their homes.

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as sert /ə's3 t\$ -3 / t BrE AmE verb [transitive]

[Date: 1600-1700, Language: Latin, Origin: past participle of asserere, from ad- 'to' + serere 'to join']

1. to state firmly that something is true:

French cooking, she asserted, is the best in the world.

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He asserted that nuclear power was a safe and non-polluting energy source.

- 2. assert your rights/independence /superiority etc to state very strongly your right to something:
 - Native Americans asserting their rights to ancestral land
- assert yourself to behave in a determined way and say clearly what you think: Women began to assert themselves politically.
- 4. assert itself if an idea or belief asserts itself, it begins to influence something:
 - National pride began to assert itself.

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• claim to say that something is true, even though it has not been proved: He claims that he didn't see anything. | She claims to be a descendant of Charles Dickens.

• allege to claim that someone did something wrong or illegal, although you do not give any proof: It is alleged that he murdered his wife. | Patients allege that the two firms failed to warn doctors about the dangers of taking the drugs over a long period.

• maintain to repeatedly say that something is true, especially when other people do not believe you: He continued to maintain his innocence, even after he was sent to prison. | My mother always maintains that I learned to talk at six months.

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• insist to say very firmly that something is true: She insists that Tom was there, although he denies it. | Turkey insists that there is more than enough water in the two rivers for all three countries.

• assert formal to state that something is true – used especially in formal writing when reporting someone's opinion: They assert that children work better on their own. | The Environment Minister asserted that one third of the country's cities had major pollution problems.

• contend formal to claim that something is true, especially when other people disagree with you: Lawyers contend that his back problems were due to an existing injury, not the accident. | It is possible, as Kennedy contends, that her medical condition is caused by her work.

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