justification Apresyan (En-Ru)

- [,dʒʌstɪfɪ'keɪʃ(ə)n] n
- 1. оправдание
- 2. оправдывающие обстоятельства
- 3. правомерность, подтверждение
- 4. представление поручителем доказательства платёжеспособности должника (за которого он поручился)
- 5. полигр. выключка строки

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jus-ti-fi-ca-tion AW [justification justifications] BrE [,dʒʌstɪfɪ'keɪʃn] * NAmE [,dʒʌstɪfɪ'keɪʃn] * noun uncountable, countable ~ (for sth/doing sth)

a good reason why sth exists or is done

- I can see no possible justification for any further tax increases.
- \bullet He was getting angry— and with some justification .

Idiom: ↑in justification

Synonyms:

reason

explanation • grounds • basis • excuse • motive • justification • pretext

These are all words for a cause or an explanation for sth that has happened or that sb has done.

reason • a cause or an explanation for sth that has happened or that sb has done; a fact that makes it right or fair to do sth: • He said no but he didn't give a reason.

explanation • a statement, fact or situation that tells you why sth has happened; a reason given for sth: • The most likely explanation is that his plane was delayed. • She left the room abruptly without explanation.

grounds • (rather formal) a good or true reason for saying, doing or believing sth: • You have no grounds for complaint.

basis • (rather formal) the reason why people take a particular action: • On what basis will this decision be made?

excuse • a reason, either true or invented, that you give to explain or defend your behaviour, a good reason that you give for doing sth that you want to do for other reasons: ■ Late again! What's your excuse this time? ♦ It gave me an excuse to take the car. motive • a reason that explains sb's behaviour ■ There seemed to be no motive for the murder.

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grounds or justification?

Justification is used to talk about finding or understanding reasons for actions, or trying to explain why it is a good idea to do sth. It is often used with words like little, no, some, every, without, and not any. **Grounds** is used more for talking about reasons that already exist, or that have already been decided, for example by law: moral/economic grounds.

pretext • (rather formal) a false reason that you give for doing sth, usually sth bad, in order to hide the real reason: • He left the party early on the pretext of having to work.

(a/an) reason/explanation/grounds/basis/excuse/motive/justification/pretext for sth

the reason/motive behind sth

on the grounds/basis/pretext of/that...

(a) good/valid reason/explanation/grounds/excuse/motive/justification

Example Bank:

- I can see some justification for her remarks.
- · I could find no real justification for the proposed reorganization.
- · She had not given him the slightest justification for thinking she was interested in him.
- She neverpresents an ideological justification of her work.
- She was arrested entirely without justification.
- · She's unable to provide any justification for her actions.
- Such a step requires substantial justification to be accepted by the public.
- There was no compelling justification for the invasion.
- · You have every justification for feeling angry.
- the argument which he put forward in justification
- He was getting angry— and with some justification.
- The government is struggling to find a justification for this war.

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[Word Family: adjective: †justifiable \neq †unjustifiable, †justified \neq †unjustified; verb: †justify; noun: †justification; adverb: †justifiably]

1. a good and acceptable reason for doing something

justification for (doing) something

- There is no justification for holding her in jail.
- Hoggart felt, with some justification, that his colleagues had let him down.
- 2. in justification (of somebody/something) in order to explain why an idea or action is right:

He made a speech in justification of his actions.

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- reason why something happens, or why someone does something: What was the reason for the delay? | I don't know the reason why he left his last job.
- **explanation** a set of reasons that helps you to understand why something happens, especially when it seems difficult to understand: There are various possible explanations for climate change. I is there any explanation for his behavior?
- motive a reason that makes someone decide to do something often used about crimes: Police say that there is no obvious motive for the attack.
- justification a good reason for doing something that seems wrong: There is never any justification for torture or abuse. | They try to use the situation in the Middle East as a justification for killing innocent civilians. | There's no justification for this type of behaviour.
- **grounds** a reason that makes it right or fair to do something, especially according to legal, official, or moral rules: The court will decide if she has grounds for divorce. They claim the war is justified on moral grounds (=because of moral reasons).
- basis the main ideas or reasons on which something is based: The doctor makes his decisions purely on the basis of clinical observation. | What do you think is the basis for this advice?
- rationale /ˌræʃə'nɑ□\\$ -'næl/ formal a set of reasons that are used to explain why someone does something in a particular way: the rationale behind the government's economic reforms | This chapter explains the nature of yearly plans, and provides a rationale for their use.

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