

# reign

## 1. [reɪn] *n*

1. царствование  
in the reign of Queen Victoria - в царствование королевы Виктории
2. власть; господство  
under the reign of - под властью  
the reign of law - власть закона; правопорядок, законность
3. *редк.* царство  
the vegetable [the mineral] reign - царство растений [минералов]

## 2. [reɪn] *v*

1. царствовать  
Victoria reigned over sixty years - Виктория была на троне свыше шестидесяти лет
2. царить, господствовать  
to reign over a vast domain - господствовать на огромной территории  
chaos reigned in the classroom - в классе воцарился хаос  
to reign supreme - безраздельно властвовать; владычествовать (*преим. перен.*)  
silence reigned supreme - царила мёртвая тишина  
baseball reigns supreme in summer - летом бейсбол не имеет конкурентов

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**reign** [reɪn reɪnz reɪnd reɪnɪŋ] *noun, verb* *BrE* [reɪn] <sup>o</sup> *NAmE* [reɪn] <sup>o</sup>

## noun

1. the period during which a king, queen, <sup>↑</sup>emperor, etc. rules
  - **in/during the reign** of Charles II
2. the period during which sb is in charge of an organization, a team, etc
  - Sir Matt Busby's reign at Manchester United

### Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **reignier** 'to reign', **reigne** 'kingdom', from Latin **regnum**, related to **rex**, **reg-** 'king'.

### Example Bank:

- By the end of his reign, the vast empire was in decline.
- He was a player during Sir Matt Busby's reign at Manchester United.
- The house was built during the reign of Henry VIII.
- The story only came out during the final days of his reign as Chief Executive.

## verb

1. **intransitive** to rule as king, queen, <sup>↑</sup>emperor, etc
  - the reigning monarch
  - Queen Victoria reigned from 1837 to 1901.
  - ~ **over sb/sth** Herod reigned over Palestine at that time.
2. **intransitive** ~ (**over sb/sth**) to be the best or most important in a particular situation or area of skill
  - the reigning champion
  - In the field of classical music, he still **reigns supreme**.
3. **intransitive** (*literary*) (*of an idea, a feeling or an atmosphere*) to be the most obvious feature of a place or moment
  - At last **silence reigned** (= there was complete silence).
  - For a while, chaos and confusion reigned.

### Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	reign
	BrE /reɪn/
	NAmE /reɪn/
he / she /it	reigns
	BrE /reɪnz/
	NAmE /reɪnz/
past simple, past participle	reigned
	BrE /reɪnd/
	NAmE /reɪnd/
-ing form	reigning
	BrE /reɪnɪŋ/
	NAmE /reɪnɪŋ/

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- a show in which the music reigns supreme
- It was the first visit by a British reigning monarch to Russia.
- A handful of families have reigned over Bangkok's economy for many years.

- In the field of classical music, he still reigns supreme.
- She will face the reigning champion in her first round match.

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### I. **reign**<sup>1</sup> /reɪn/ BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> noun [countable]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: regne, from Latin regnum, from rex 'king']

1. the period when someone is king, queen, or **↑emperor**

#### reign of

- changes that took place during Charlemagne's reign
- the reign of James I

2. the period when someone is in charge of an organization, team etc:

- during his reign at the Education Department

3. a period during which something is the most powerful or most important feature of a place

#### reign of

- the reign of Stalinism in Russia

4. **reign of terror** a period when a ruler or a government kills many of their political opponents

### II. **reign**<sup>2</sup> BrE <sup>ˈ</sup> AmE <sup>ˈ</sup> verb [intransitive]

1. to rule a nation or group of nations as their king, queen, or **↑emperor**:

- George VI reigned from 1936 to 1952.

#### reign over

- Pharaohs reigned over Egypt for centuries.

2. **literary** if a feeling or quality reigns, it exists strongly for a period of time:

- For several minutes confusion reigned.
- Silence reigned while we waited for news.

3. **reigning champion** the most recent winner of a competition:

- Can he defeat the reigning Wimbledon champion?

4. **reign supreme** if someone or something reigns supreme, they are the most important part of a situation or time:

- It was a time when romance reigned supreme.

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12500 **3773**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **4011**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **4k REIGN** 4875

reign 2737

reigned 622

reigning 882

reigns 634

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

1715 **12060**<sup>2367</sup> *nn1*

259 **44941**<sup>271</sup> *vvi*

86 **81468**<sup>87</sup> *vv0*

10 **236401**<sup>12</sup> *nnu*