**pursuit** Apresyan (En-Ru)

[pə'sju:t] n

1. преследование, погоня

pursuit of the enemy - преследование противника/врага/

pursuit trajectory - косм. догоняющая траектория

in pursuit of game - в погоне за дичью

in hot pursuit - по пятам

2. поиски; стремление, домогательство

ambitious pursuits - честолюбивые (у)стремления

pursuit of wealth [of happiness, of pleasure] - погоня за богатством [счастьем, удовольствиями]

in his pursuit of knowledge - в своём стремлении к знаниям

3. занятие

hunting is his favourite pursuit - охота - его любимое занятие our daily pursuits - наши повседневные занятия /дела/

4. выполнение, исполнение; ведение

pursuit of one's business - ведение дел

pursuit of one's profession - занятие своей профессией

- 5. преим. шотл. юр. судебное преследование
- 6. гонка преследования (велоспорт)

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- 1. uncountable ~ of sth the act of looking for or trying to find sth
  - the pursuit of happiness/knowledge/profit
  - She travelled the world in pursuit of her dreams.
- 2. uncountable the act of following or chasing sb
  - We drove away with two police cars in pursuit (= following) .
- I galloped off on my horse with Rosie in hot pursuit (= following quickly behind).
- 3. countable, usually plural something that you give your time and energy to, that you do as a hobby

Syn: †hobby, Syn: †pastime

· outdoor/leisure/artistic pursuits

# Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Anglo-Norman French purseute 'following after', from pursuer, from an alteration of Latin prosequi 'prosecute'. Early senses included 'persecution, annoyance' and in legal contexts 'petition, prosecution'.

# Example Bank:

- · Away ran the fox, with the hunters in hot pursuit.
- · He devoted his waking hours to the single-minded pursuit of his goal.
- · He is engaged in the ruthless pursuit of pleasure.
- She has time now to follow her various artistic pursuits.
- The guard set off in pursuit of the thief.
- The police gave pursuit.
- Two boys ran past with a security guard in pursuit.
- active leisure pursuits
- people leaving their homes in pursuit of work
- · people travelling around the country in pursuit of work
- · the endless pursuit of wealth
- · I galloped off on my horse with Rosie in hot pursuit.
- She moved to the US in pursuit of a movie career.
- The purpose of the award is to encourage the pursuit of excellence.
- They shared the same love of horses, fresh air and country pursuits.
- We drove away with two police cars in pursuit.

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[Word Family: noun: †pursuer, †pursuit; verb: †pursue]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: poursuite, from poursuir, ⇒ †pursue]

1. [uncountable] when someone tries to get, achieve, or find something in a determined way ⇒ **pursue** pursuit of

- the pursuit of liberty and happiness
- the pursuit of war criminals

# in (the) pursuit of something

People are having to move to other areas in pursuit of work.

2. [uncountable] when someone chases or follows someone else ⇒ pursue

# in pursuit

- There were four police cars in pursuit.
  - The quarterback sprinted toward the end zone with Jansen in hot pursuit (=following closely behind).
- 3. [countable usually plural] formal an activity such as a sport or hobby, which you spend a lot of time doing:

pursuits such as swimming and tennis

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- hobby an activity that you enjoy, and that you like to spend time doing when you are not working: Stamp collecting has been a hobby of mine since I was a child. I We had to write an essay about our hobbies.
- **interest** something that you are interested in and like doing or talking about: Her interests were the same as most young girls pop music, boys and clothes.
- pastime especially written something that you do because it is enjoyable or interesting: Gardening was her mother's favourite pastime. In England talking about the weather is a national pastime (=something that a lot of people in a country do).
- passion something that you feel extremely interested in and care a lot about: Football was his passion. | For the French, food is a passion.
- pursuit formal an activity that you spend time doing used especially in the following phrases: The hills and lakes are used for a variety of <u>outdoor pursuits</u>. | Her son wasn't really interested in <u>academic pursuits</u>. | Mountaineering, golfing, and fishing were among his leisure pursuits

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