

mature

1. [mə'tʃʊə] a

1. 1) зрелый; спелый

mature age - зрелый возраст

mature years - зрелые годы

mature wisdom - мудрость, приходящая с возрастом

he's got much more mature since then - он очень повзрослел с тех пор

you must learn to behave in a more mature way - ты должен научиться вести себя как взрослый человек

2) выдержанный (о вине, бетоне и т. п.)

3) доношенный (о ребёнке)

2. тщательно обдуманый

mature reflection - тщательное обдумывание

after /on/ mature deliberation - по зрелом размышлении

mature scheme /plan/ - зрелый /хорошо обдуманый/ план

3. **ком.** подлежащий оплате (ввиду наступившего срока)

4. созревший, назревший (о нарыве и т. п.)

5. **уст.** созревший, готовый

2. [mə'tʃʊə] v

1. созреть, вполне развиться

his character matured during these years - его характер вполне сформировался за эти годы

2. 1) доводить до зрелости, до полного развития

these years matured his character - эти годы сформировали его характер

children mature earlier nowadays - в наши дни дети развиваются быстрее

2) тщательно обдумывать, разрабатывать

to mature schemes /plans/ - тщательно /детально/ разработать планы

his plans were not yet matured - его планы ещё не были окончательными /не созрели/

3) совершенствовать, отрабатывать доводить до высокого уровня, совершенства

4) доводить до зрелости, выдерживать (о вине, сыре и т. п.)

5) вызревать, созревать, достигать нужной кондиции

the grapes mature in the sun - виноград созревает на солнце

3. **ком.** наступать (о сроке платежа)

when does this bill mature? - когда наступает срок платежа по этому векселю?

mature

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

ma-ture **AW** [mature matures matured maturing] **adjective, verb** **BrE** [mə'tʃʊə(r)]

NAmE [mə'tʃʊr] **BrE** [mə'tʃʊə(r)] **NAmE** [mə'tʊr]

adjective **maturer** is occasionally used instead of **more mature**

SENSIBLE

1. (of a child or young person) behaving in a sensible way, like an adult

• Jane is very mature for her age.

• a mature and sensible attitude

Opp: †immature

FULLY GROWN

2. (of a person, a tree, a bird or an animal) fully grown and developed

• sexually mature

• a mature oak/eagle/elephant

Opp: †immature

WINE/CHEESE

3. developed over a period of time to produce a strong, rich flavour

NO LONGER YOUNG

4. used as a polite or humorous way of saying that sb is no longer young

• clothes for the mature woman

• a man of mature years

WORK OF ART

5. created late in an artist's life and showing great understanding and skill

INSURANCE POLICY

6. (business) ready to be paid

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **maturus** 'timely, ripe'; perhaps related to †matins.

Synonyms:

old

elderly • aged • long-lived • mature

These words all describe sb/sth that has lived for a long time or that usually lives for a long time.

old • having lived for a long time; no longer young: ▪ She's getting old— she's 75 next year.

elderly • (rather formal) used as a polite word for 'old': ▪ She is very busy caring for two elderly relatives.

aged • (formal) very old: ▪ Having aged relatives to stay in your house can be quite stressful.

long-lived • having a long life; lasting for a long time: ▪ Everyone in my family is exceptionally long-lived

mature • used as a polite or humorous way of saying that sb is no longer young: ▪ clothes for the mature woman

a(n) old/elderly/aged/long-lived/mature **man/woman**

a(n) old/elderly/aged/mature **gentleman /lady/couple**

Example Bank:

- She tries to look mature and sophisticated.
- He shows a mature and sensible attitude.
- He's a man of mature years.
- The shop specializes in clothes for the mature woman.
- a mature oak/eagle/elephant

Idiom: ↑on mature reflection

Derived Word ↑maturely

verb

BECOME FULLY GROWN

1. **intransitive** to become fully grown or developed

- This particular breed of cattle matures early.
- Technology in this field has matured considerably over the last decade.

BECOME SENSIBLE

2. **intransitive** to develop emotionally and start to behave like a sensible adult

- He has matured a great deal over the past year.

DEVELOP SKILL

3. **intransitive** ~ (into sth) to fully develop a particular skill or quality

- She has matured into one of the country's finest actresses.

WINE/CHEESE

4. **intransitive, transitive** ~ (sth) if wine, cheese, etc. matures or is matured, it develops over a period of time to produce a strong, rich flavour

INSURANCE POLICY

5. **intransitive** (business) to reach the date when it must be paid

- She has a number of investments that mature at the end of the year.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	mature
	BE /me ɪˈmʊə(r)/
	NAME /me ɪˈdʒʊ(r)/
	BE /me ˈmʊə(r)/
	NAME /me ˈtʃɜː(r)/
he / she / it	matures
	BE /me ɪˈmʊə(r)/
	NAME /me ɪˈdʒʊ(r)/
	BE /me ˈmʊə(r)/
	NAME /me ˈtʃɜː(r)/
past simple, past participle	matured
	BE /me ɪˈmʊəd/
	NAME /me ɪˈdʒʊd/
	BE /me ˈmʊəd/
	NAME /me ˈtʃɜːd/
-ing form	maturing
	BE /me ɪˈmʊərɪŋ/
	NAME /me ɪˈdʒʊərɪŋ/
	BE /me ˈmʊərɪŋ/
	NAME /me ˈtʃɜːrɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **maturus** 'timely, ripe'; perhaps related to ↑**matins**.

Example Bank:

- She had matured into a beautiful young woman.
- The cheese is smoked and then left to mature.
- The little garden was maturing nicely.
- The teenage years cover a period in which people mature physically and emotionally.
- This variety is easy to grow and matures early.
- a fully matured cheese
- a young man who is maturing to adulthood
- She has matured into one of the country's finest actresses.

mature

I. **maˈtʃʊə**¹ **AC** /məˈtʃʊə \$ -tʃʊr/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *adjective*[**Word Family**: verb: ↑mature; noun: ↑maturity ≠ ↑immaturity; adverb: ↑maturely ≠ **IMMATURELY**; adjective: ↑mature ≠ ↑immature][**Date**: 1300-1400; **Language**: Latin; **Origin**: maturus]1. **SENSIBLE** someone, especially a child or young person, who is mature behaves in a sensible and reasonable way, as you would expect an adult to behave **OPP immature** :" Laura is very mature for her age." We're mature enough to disagree on this issue but still respect each other.2. **FULLY GROWN** fully grown and developed **OPP immature** :

" Mature apple trees are typically 20 feet tall.

" The new leader wants his country to be seen as a mature democracy.

" The human brain isn't fully mature until about age 25.**physically/emotionally/sexually mature**

" Most girls are sexually mature by about 14 years of age.

3. **WINE/CHEESE ETC** *British English* mature cheese, wine etc has a good strong taste which has developed during a long period of time **OPP mild** :

" mature cheddar

4. **OLDER** a polite or humorous way of describing someone who is no longer young **SYN middle-aged** :

" wedding fashions for mature brides

" a respectable gentleman of mature years5. **NOVEL/PAINTING ETC** a mature piece of work by a writer or an artist is done late in their life and shows a high level of understanding or skill:

" His mature work reveals a deep sense of enjoyment of nature.

6. **on mature reflection/consideration** *formal* after thinking carefully and sensibly about something for a long time:

" On mature reflection we have decided to decline their offer.

7. **FINANCIAL** a mature ↑bond or ↑policy is ready to be paid8. **mature market/industry** *technical* a mature industry or market is one where growth is quite low and there are fewer competitors than before**—maturely** *adverb*:

" If you want us to treat you as an adult, you have to act maturely.

II. **maˈtʃʊə**² **AC** *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *verb*[**Word Family**: verb: ↑mature; noun: ↑maturity ≠ ↑immaturity; adverb: ↑maturely ≠ **IMMATURELY**; adjective: ↑mature ≠ ↑immature]1. [**intransitive**] to become fully grown or developed:

" As the fish matures, its colours and patternings change.

mature into

" She has matured into a fine writer.

2. [**intransitive**] to become sensible and start to behave sensibly and reasonably, like an adult:

" He has matured a lot since he left home.

" He wants to prove just how much he has matured both as a player and as a man.

3. [**intransitive**] if a financial arrangement such as a ↑bond or an insurance ↑policy matures, it becomes ready to be paid4. [**intransitive and transitive**] if cheese, wine etc matures, or if it is matured, it develops a good strong taste over a period of time:

" Few beers brewed in Britain are matured in the bottle.

" The olives are pulped, then left to mature.

mature

Frequency Pack

12500 **4178**^{MCW}15000 **2295**^{COCA}RANGE: **3k** **MATURE** 13836

mature 6594

immature 1117

immaturity 208

maturation 695

maturational 40

matured 903

matures 392

maturing 642

maturity 3200

maturely 35

immaturely 10

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

3626 **7263**⁴⁸²⁶ *jj*954 **20355**¹⁰⁶¹ *vv0*617 **26521**⁶⁸⁵ *vvi*13 **201173**¹⁶ *np1*6 **347605**⁶ *nnu*