

widen [ˈwaɪdn] *v*

- 1) расширять; распространять
- 2) расширяться; распространяться

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widen [wɪdn wɪdn̩ wɪdn̩d wɪdn̩ɪŋ] *BrE* [ˈwaɪdn] *AmE* [ˈwaɪdn] *verb*

1. **intransitive, transitive** to become wider; to make sth wider
 - Her eyes widened in surprise.
 - ~ **into sth** Here the stream widens into a river.
 - ~ **sth** They may have to widen the road to cope with the increase in traffic.
2. **intransitive, transitive** to become larger in degree or range; to make sth larger in degree or range
 - the widening gap between rich and poor
 - ~ **sth** We plan to widen the scope of our existing activities by offering more language courses.
 - The legislation will be widened to include all firearms.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	widen
	BrE / ˈwaɪdn̩/
	NAme / ˈwaɪdn̩/
he / she / it	widens
	BrE / ˈwaɪdn̩z/
	NAme / ˈwaɪdn̩z/
past simple, past participle	widened
	BrE / ˈwaɪdn̩d/
	NAme / ˈwaɪdn̩d/
-ing form	widening
	BrE / ˈwaɪdn̩ɪŋ/
	NAme / ˈwaɪdn̩ɪŋ/

Example Bank:

- Jasmine's eyes widened with disbelief.
- The gap between rich and poor has widened considerably.
- The road gradually widens out.
- The road widens out and becomes a dual carriageway.
- The trade deficit had widened from £26 billion to £30 billion.
- Another concern is the widening gap between rich and poor.

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[Word Family: **adverb**: ↑wide, ↑widely; **verb**: ↑widen; **noun**: ↑width; **adjective**: ↑wide]

1. **[intransitive and transitive]** to become wider, or to make something wider **OPP narrow**:
 - They're widening the road.
 - The river widens and splits.
2. **[intransitive and transitive]** to become larger in degree or range, or to make something do this **OPP narrow**:
 - The gap between income and expenditure has widened to 11%.
 - They are trying to widen the discussion to include environmental issues.
3. **[intransitive]** if your eyes widen, they open more, especially because you are surprised or frightened **OPP narrow**

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