dignity Apresyan (En-Ru)

['dıgnıtı] n

1. достоинство; чувство собственного достоинства

with dignity - с достоинством, гордо

to maintain /to preserve/ one's dignity - держать /вести/ себя с достоинством

to stand on /upon/ one's dignity - держаться с большим достоинством; требоватьк себе уважения

to humiliate smb.'s dignity - унизить чьё-л. достоинство

it's beneath his dignity - это ниже его достоинства

2. величие, величественность

the dignity of labour - величие труда

dignity of bearing - царственная/величественная/ осанка

to have an impressive dignity - иметь внушительный вид

3. 1) высокое положение, высокий пост

2) титул, звание, сан, достоинство

dignity of chancellor - титул канцлера

to confer the dignity of a peerage - даровать /пожаловать/ звание пэра

- 4. 1) собир. лица высокого звания, знать
- 2) редк. сановник
- 5. положение звезды, когда она имеет наибольшую силу (в астрологии)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

dig-nity [dignity dignities] BrE ['dɪgnəti] ** NAmE ['dɪgnəti] ** noun uncountable

- 1. a calm and serious manner that deserves respect
- She accepted the criticism with quiet dignity.
- 2. the fact of being given honour and respect by people
 - the dignity of work
- The terminally ill should be allowed to die with dignity.
- 3. a sense of your own importance and value
 - It's difficult to preserve your dignity when you have no job and no home.

Idioms: †beneath your dignity = †stand on your dignity

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French dignete, from Latin dignitas, from dignus 'worthy'.

Thesaurus:

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He needed a way to retreat without loss of dignity.

pride · · self-respect · · self-esteem · · feelings · |sometimes disapprovingego ·

personal dignity/pride/self-esteem/feelings

damage sb's dignity/pride/self-respect/self-esteem/ego

lose/keep sb's dignity/pride/self-respect

Example Bank:

- · He brings a quiet dignity to the role.
- He clearly regarded manual work as beneath his dignity.
- · He hoped that he could change his mind without loss of dignity.
- He needed a way to retreat with his dignity intact.
- · His aristocratic voice gives him an air of dignity and power.
- Keeping prisoners in such dreadful conditions strips them of all dignity.
- · She had a strong sense of dignity.
- · She spoke to him with quiet dignity.
- · She was never one to stand on her dignity.
- Slavery destroys human dignity.
- The awful thing about old age is losing your dignity.
- These people have enormous dignity.
- · We all want to maintain our dignity in old age.
- We felt that the way she was treated was lacking in dignity.
- With as much dignity as he could muster, he left the room.
- the importance of human dignity
- the right to die with dignity
- It's difficult to preserve your dignity when you have no job and no home.
- Money means independence and personal dignity.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

[Date: 1100-1200, Language: Old French, Origin: dignité, from Latin dignitas 'worth', from dignus 'deserving admiration']

1. the ability to behave in a calm controlled way even in a difficult situation

with dignity

The family faced their ordeal with dignity.

an appearance of quiet dignity

2. your dignity your sense of your own value or importance

retain/lose your dignity

- Old people need to retain their dignity and independence.
- Arguing was beneath her dignity (=was something she thought she was too important to do).

3. the fact of being respected or deserving respect

with dignity

- Patients should be allowed to die with dignity.
- Prisoners should be treated with regard for human dignity.

4. a calm and serious quality

dignity of

the dignity of the occasion

5. stand on your dignity formal to demand to be treated with proper respect

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