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| 1. ['kwpliti] n | |
| 1. 1) качество, сорт; свойство | |
| adequate quality - доброкачественность | |
| bottom quality - низкое качество | |
| premium /prime/ quality - высшее качество | |
| milk quality - удойность (<i>коровы</i>) cutting quality - режущая способность | |
| goods of high [of poor] quality - товары высокого [низкого] качества | |
| the better quality of cloth is more expensive - материя высшего качества дороже | |
| to manufacture /to make/ goods in various qualities - производить /выпускать/ товары различного качества | |
| to aim at quality rather than quantity - предпочитать качество количеству | |
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| transition from quantity to quality - <i>филос.</i> переход количества в качество 2) уровень качества, класс, калибр | |
| to upgrade the quality of incoming students - повышать требования к отбору студентов | |
| 3) высокое качество; достоинство, ценность | |
| goods of quality - высококачественные товары | |
| wine of quality - отборное/высокосортное/ вино | |
| to admire the quality of smth восхищаться (превосходным) качеством чего-л. | |
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| to be up to quality - соответствовать требованиям | |
| 2. <i>часто pl</i> качество, свойство, признак; характерная особенность | |
| moral quality - моральные качества | |
| quality of leadership - качества руководителя | |
| a person of excellent qualities - человек, обладающий прекрасными качествами | |
| to be distinguished by noble qualities - отличаться душевным благородством | |
| to be possessed of rare [fine] qualities - обладать редкими [прекрасными] качествами | |
| to possess healing qualities - обладать целебными свойствами | |
| qualities of the pine-wood - отличительные свойства сосны | |
| to give a taste of /to show/ one's quality - показать /проявить/ себя; обнаружить черты своего характера | |
| to test another's qualities - испытывать чей-л. характер | |
| primary [secondary] quality - филос. первичное [вторичное] качество | |
| 3. <i>физ.</i> тембр | |
| the quality of a voice - тембр голоса | |
| 4. ycm. | |
| 1) знатность; положение в обществе | |
| people of quality - высшее общество, аристократия, знать, господа | |
| a lady of quality - знатная дама | |
| 2) (the quality) знать | |
| 2. ['kwpliti] a | |
| высококачественный, высокого качества | |
| quality Oxford Advanced Learners Diction | nary 8th Ed |
| quality [quality qualities] noun, adjective BrE ['kwpleti] NAmE ['kwalletj" | iary our La. |
| noun (pl. qualities) | |
| 1. uncountable, countable the standard of sth when it is compared to other things like it; how good or bad sth is | |
| to be of good/poor/top quality | |
| • goods of a high quality | |
| high-quality goods | |
| a decline in water quality | |
| When costs are cut product quality suffers. | |
| Their quality of life improved dramatically when they moved to France. | |
| 2. uncountable a high standard | |
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| Syn: 1excellence | |
| contemporary writers of quality | |
| We aim to provide quality at reasonable prices. | |
| Get it right, even if it takes time; it's quality not quantity that matters. | |
| 3. countable a thing that is part of a person's character, especially sth good | |
| personal qualities such as honesty and generosity | |
| to have leadership qualities | |
| She has all the qualities of a good teacher. | |
| It's hard to find people with the right qualities for the job. | |
| countable, uncountable a feature of sth, especially one that makes it different from sth else | |

- the special quality of light and shade in her paintings
- His voice has a rich, melodic quality.
- **5.** countable (BrE) = [†]quality newspaper

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the senses 'character, disposition' and 'particular property or feature'): from Old French qualite, from Latin qualitas (translating Greek poiotes), from qualis 'of what kind, of such a kind'.

Thesaurus:

quality noun

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• The goods are of very poor quality.

standard • grade • level • |BrE calibre • |AmE caliber • be of a/the ... quality/standard/grade/level/calibre high/highest/low quality/standard/grade/level/calibre raise/improve the quality/standard/grade/level/calibre maintain the quality/standard/grade/level

2. U

We provide quality at reasonable prices.
 value • excellence • merit • worth • distinction • meaning •
 sb/sth of quality/value/excellence/merit/worth/distinction
 great/real quality/value/merit/worth/distinction/meaning
 have quality/value/merit/worth/distinction/meaning

3. C, U

• personal qualities such as honesty and generosity

characteristic • feature • trait • point • attribute • |formal technical property • a/an essential/desirable/individual quality/characteristic/feature/trait/attribute/property a/an important/natural/special/useful quality/characteristic/feature/attribute/property possess/display/share (a) quality/characteristic/feature/trait/... points/attribute/property

Example Bank:

- · Advances in technology would, it was hoped, improve the quality of life.
- · All our cakes are made with top quality ingredients.
- How can we increase production without sacrificing quality?
- I found him thoroughly unpleasant, with no redeeming qualities whatsoever.
- The music gives the movie a dreamlike quality.
- The photos are of variable quality.
- They have real star quality.
- We aim to deliver quality to our customers.
- · a singer with that elusive quality that sells records
- · Get it right, even if it takes time; it's quality not quantity that matters.
- He showed great energy and leadership qualities.
- It's hard to find people with the right qualities for the job.
- Most of the goods on offer are of very poor quality.
- The ancient city of Assisi has a wonderful magical quality.
- The film has a dream-like quality.
- Their quality of life improved dramatically when they moved to the US.
- There's been a serious decline in air quality recently.
- Use the highest quality ingredients you can find.
- We offer unbeatable performance and quality in all our products.
- contemporary writers of quality
- personal qualities such as honesty and generosity

adjective

1. only before noun used especially by people trying to sell goods or services to say that sth is of a high quality

- We specialize in quality furniture.
- quality service at a competitive price
- 2. (BrE, slang) very good
- 'What was the film like?' 'Quality!'

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Example Bank:

• Try our top range of quality products.

• We offer a quality service to all customers.

quality

I. qual Ity¹ S1 W1 /'kwøləti, 'kwølɪti \$ 'kwɑ□/ BrE [®] AmE[®] noun (plural qualities)

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: qualité, from Latin qualitas, from qualis 'of what kind']

1. [uncountable and countable] how good or bad something is:

Much of the land was of poor quality.

Use only high quality ingredients.

quality of

The quality of the water is reasonably good.

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

2. [countable usually plural] something that people may have as part of their character, for example courage or intelligence ⇒ characteristic:

- He shows strong leadership qualities.
- the personal qualities necessary to be a successful salesman

quality of

the qualities of honesty and independence

3. [countable] something that is typical of one thing and makes it different from other things, for example size, colour etc: the drug's addictive quality

quality of

the physical and chemical qualities of the rock

4. [uncountable] a high standard:

- his pride in the quality of his craftsmanship
- wines of quality

5. quality of life how good or bad your life is, shown for example by whether or not you are happy, healthy, able to do what you want etc:

drugs that improve the quality of life for very ill patients

COLLOCATIONS

ADJECTIVES/NOUN + quality

- good/high I was impressed that the quality of their work was so high.
- poor/low The magazine is printed on low quality paper.
- excellent /outstanding The T-shirts are only \$10 and the quality is excellent.
- superior formal (=good or better quality) These speakers offer superior quality sound.
- top quality Our chef uses only top quality ingredients.
- water/air quality Scientists took samples to test the water quality.
- sound quality I apologise for the poor sound quality of this recording.
- picture quality (also image quality) Does this type of TV set have a better picture quality?

verbs

- improve /enhance the quality The measures will improve the quality of the water in the river.
- affect the quality Lack of sleep started to affect the quality of his work.
- test/check/monitor the quality The equipment is used to monitor the city's air quality.
- maintain the quality Staffing problems made it difficult to maintain the quality of the service.
- the quality goes up/down I think the quality has gone down over the years.
- the quality suffers (=it is badly affected by something) The picture quality suffers if the signal isn't digital.
 quality + NOUN
- quality standards Greater investment is needed to meet the European Union's strict quality standards.

COMMON ERRORS

► Do not say 'living quality' or 'life quality'. Say quality of life.

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• characteristic something that is typical of someone or something and makes them easy to recognize: He had several characteristics which made him different to the rest of his family. | the physical characteristics of the brain | He studied the special characteristics of adult speech addressed to children.

• quality a characteristic of a person, especially a good one such as kindness or intelligence: Tina has a lot of good qualities. | I'm not sure about his leadership qualities. | Obedience is a quality that my father admires.

• feature an important or interesting characteristic of something: it seems to be a feature of modern society that we tend to judge ourselves by our work above everything else. | A curious feature of the novel is the absence of women. | The building still has many of its original features.

• property [usually plural] *technical* a characteristic of a substance or object, for example hardness or elasticity, or how it behaves - used especially in scientific contexts: We examined the physical properties of various metals. | changes in the electrical properties of cells | Some plants have healing properties.

• attribute formal a good or useful characteristic: I suspected I probably did not quite possess all the attributes required to succeed at the highest level. | All living things are able to reproduce their kind, an attribute which no machine possesses..

good/bad points good or bad characteristics – used when someone or something has both good and bad characteristics: The seller will obviously emphasize the car's good points. | Draw up a list of your partner's good and bad points.

II. quality ² BrE ^{*} AmE ^{*} adjective [only before noun]

1. [no comparative] very good – used especially by people who are trying to sell something:

quality child-care at prices people can afford

quality double glazing

2. quality newspapers/press etc British English newspapers etc intended for educated readers

quality

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