genius Apresyan (En-Ru)

['dʒi:nɪəs] n

### 1. mк. sing одарённость; гениальность

a men of genius - гениальный человек

Goethe had genius - Гёте был гениальным писателем

the impress of genius - печать гениальности

it is a work of genius - это гениальное произведение

there's genius in the way this was painted - эта картина была написана гениально

## 2. (pl -niuses) гений, гениальный человек, гениальная личность

Shakespeare was a true genius - Шекспир был поистине гением

#### 3. mк. sing талант, склонность; способность

genius for /to/ acting - актёрский талант

to have a genius for music - обладать большими музыкальными способностями

he has a genius for making friends - у него особый талантзаводить друзей /сходиться с людьми/, он гений общения he's got a genius for saying the wrong thing - он вечно говорит не то, что следует

4. (pl -nii) гений, дух

good genius - добрый дух /гений/

tutelar(y) genius - ангел-хранитель

he is my evil genius - он мой злой гений

#### 5. (pl -niuses) чувства, настроения, связанные с каким-л. местом

#### 6. (pl -niuses) дух (века, времени, языка, закона, нации и т. п.)

the genius of the Renaissance period - дух эпохи Возрождения

the French genius - дух французского народа

war is repugnant to the genius of the people - война противна духу народа

the genius of our language is its use of short words which do not change their endings - специфика нашего языка состоит в употреблении коротких слов, окончания которых не изменяются

# genius

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ge·nius [genius geniuses genii] BrE ['dʒi□niə\state NAmE ['dʒi□niə\state noun (pl. ge·niuses)

- 1. uncountable unusually great intelligence, skill or artistic ability
  - · the genius of Shakespeare
  - · a statesman of genius
  - Her idea was a stroke of genius
- 2. countable a person who is unusually intelligent or artistic, or who has a very high level of skill, especially in one area
  - a mathematical /comic, etc. genius
  - · He's a genius at organizing people.
  - · You don't have to be a genius to see that they are in love!
- 3. singular ~ for sth/for doing sth a special skill or ability
  - He had a genius for making people feel at home.

I diom ¹somebody's good genius

### Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin, attendant spirit present from one's birth, innate ability or inclination, from the root of gignere 'beget'. The original sense 'spirit attendant on a person' gave rise to a sense 'a person's characteristic disposition' (late 16th cent.), which led to a sense 'a person's natural ability', and finally 'exceptional natural ability' (mid 17th cent.).

## Thesaurus:

#### genius noun C

· He was a comic genius.

prodigy · · brain · · mastermind ·

Opp: dunce

the genius/brains/mastermind behind sth

a true/child genius/prodigy

a great/scientific genius/brain

# Example Bank:

- I a flash of pure genius, she realized the answer to the problem.
- I was a stroke of genius on my part to avoid such awkward questions.
- She has a genius for sorting things out.
- · a work which shows real genius
- a writer of genius
- · his genius for pinpointing the absurd
- · He was a man of great genius.
- He was undoubtedly the greatest comic genius of his age.
- I flash of pure genius, the answer came to her.
- I t'sindoubtedly a work of genius.
- She was at the peak of her creative genius.
- · She's a genius at getting things organized.

- · Some people say that there is only everone true genius born in each generation.
- That was a stroke of genius.
- You don't have to be a genius to see that this plan is not going to work.

noun

You're an absolute genius!

## genius

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ge ini us /'dʒi□niə\$ BrE \* [Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: 'spirit who guards a person or place', from gignere; ⇒ †genital]

1. [uncountable] a very high level of intelligence, mental skill, or ability, which only a few people have:

The film reveals Fellini's genius.

# work/writer/man etc of genius

Wynford was an architect of genius.

### a stroke of genius (=a very clever idea)

- At the time, his appointment seemed a stroke of genius.
- a work of pure genius
- 2. [countable] someone who has an unusually high level of intelligence, mental skill, or ability:

Freud was a genius.

#### musical/comic/mathematical etc genius

a genius at (doing) something

My father was a genius at storytelling.

- 3. a genius for (doing) something special skill at doing something:
  - That woman has a genius for organization.
  - Warhol's genius for publicity

#### **THESAURUS**

- skill [uncountable and countable] an ability to do something well, especially because you have learned and practised it: He plays the piano with great skill. I communication/language/computer etc skills | The course will help you improve your communication skills.
- talent [uncountable and countable] a natural ability to do something well which can be developed with practice: She was a young artist with a lot of talent. | She showed a talent for acting from an early age. | He is a man of many talents.
- genius [uncountable] very great ability, which only a few people have: The opera shows Mozart's genius as a composer. I Picasso was a painter of genius.
- gift [countable] a natural ability to do something very well, which you were born with: You can see that he has a gift for the game. | Winterson has great gifts as a writer.
- flair [singular, uncountable] skill for doing something, especially something that needs imagination and creativity: The job does require some creative flair. | She has a flair for languages.
- expertise [uncountable] specialized knowledge of a technical subject, which you get from experience of doing that type of work: The technical expertise for building the dam is being provided by a US company.
- a/the knack /næk/ [singular] informal a special skill for doing a particular thing, especially a simple everyday thing: Breadmaking is easy once you get the knack. | He has a knack for making people feel relaxed.

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