congratulate Apresyan (En-Ru)

[kən'grætjvleit] v (on, upon)

поздравлять

I congratulate you on the happy event - поздравляю вас со счастливым событием (обыкн. с рождением ребёнка)

to congratulate oneself - радоваться (своему достижению); гордиться

I congratulated myself on my escape /on having escaped/ - я очень рад, что мне удалось убежать

you should congratulate yourself on your appearance - тебе надо гордиться своей наружностью

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con-gratu-late [congratulate congratulates congratulated congratulating] BrE [kən'græt[uleɪt] \*\* NAmE [kən'græt[uleɪt] \*\* verb

- 1. ~ sb (on sth) to tell sb that you are pleased about their success or achievements
  - · I congratulated them all on their results.
  - The authors are to be congratulated on producing such a clear and authoritative work.
- 2. ~ yourself (on sth) to feel pleased and proud because you have achieved sth or been successful at sth
- You can congratulate yourself on having done an excellent job.

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we /they	congratulate
	BrE /kan 'græt/ulest/
	NAME /kan 'graet fulest/
he / she /it	congratulates
	BrE /kan 'græt/ulests/
	NAmE /kan 'graet julests/
past simple, past participle	congratulated
	BrE /kən 'græt/julestad/
	NAmE /kan 'graet fulestod/
-ing form	congratulating
	BrE /kən 'græt/julestsn/
	NAME /kan 'græt fulestag/

### Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from Latin congratulat- 'congratulated', from the verb congratulari, from con- 'with' + gratulari 'show joy' (from gratus 'pleasing').

### Example Bank:

- I must congratulate you on your excellent exam results.
- Please join me in congratulating Luke on an outstanding season.
- She congratulated me warmly on my performance.
- The President himself is here to personally congratulate the winner.
- The company is to be congratulated on its success.
- The employees should be congratulated for the part they have played in the success.
- The organizers are congratulating themselves on attracting record numbers to the event

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[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of congratulari 'to wish happiness', from com- (  $\Rightarrow$  COM-) + gratus 'pleasing'

1. to tell someone that you are happy because they have achieved something or because something nice has happened to them:

He nevereven stopped to congratulate me.

# congratulate somebody on something

She congratulated me warmly on my exam results.

congratulate somebody for (doing) something

- All three are to be congratulated for doing so well.
- 2. congratulate yourself (on something) to feel pleased and proud of yourself because you have achieved something or something good has happened to you:

I congratulated myself on my good fortune.

—congratulatory /kənˌgrætʃəˈleɪtəri, kənˌgrætʃʊˈleɪtəri \$ -ˈgrætʃələtɔ□n/ adjective:

congratulatory messages

### **THESAURUS**

- praise to say that you admire and approve of someone or something, especially publicly: The film was praised by the critics when it first came out. | The report praises staff in both schools. | It's important to praise children.
- congratulate to tell someone that you think it is good that they have achieved something: I congratulated him on his success. | The government should be congratulated for what they have achieved.
- **compliment** to say to someone that you like how they look, or you like something they have done: She complimented me on my new hairstyle. | He complimented my cooking.
- flatter to praise someone in order to please them or get something from them, even though you do not mean it: He had persuaded her to buy it by flattering her and being charming. I You're just flattering me!
- rave about something (also enthuse about something formal) to talk about something you enjoy or admire in an excited way, and say that it is very good. Rave is rather informal, whereas enthuse is much more formal and is used mainly in written

English: Everyone is raving about the movie. | She enthused about the joys of motherhood.

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- applaud formal to publicly praise a decision, action, idea etc: Business leaders applauded the decision. | A spokeperson applauded the way the festival had been run.
- **commend** formal to praise someone or something, especially officially: After the battle, Andrew Jackson commended him for 'his courage and fidelity'. | The officers should be commended for their prompt action.
- hail somebody/something as something *especially written* to describe someone or something in a way that shows you have a very good opinion of them, especially in newspapers, on television reports etc: The book was hailed as a masterpiece. | Journalists and music writers hailed the band as 'the next big thing'. | He is being hailed as the new James Dean.

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