mundane Apresyan (En-Ru)

[mʌn'deɪn] a

1. 1) земной

mundane affairs [desires] - земные дела [помыслы]

2) редк. мирской; светский

mundane pleasures - мирские /светские/ удовольствия

2. космический; относящийся к Вселенной

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

mun-dane *BrE* [mʌn'deɪn] ** *NAmE* [mʌn'deɪn] ** adjective (often disapproving) not interesting or exciting

Syn: †dull, Syn: †ordinary

- a mundane task/job
- I lead a pretty mundane existence.
- On a more mundane level, can we talk about the timetable for next week?

Word Origin:

late Middle English (referring to something of this earthly world rather than a heavenly or spiritual world): from Old French mondain, from late Latin mundanus, from Latin mundus 'world'. The current sense dates from the late 19th cent.

Thesaurus:

mundane [mundane] adj. (disapproving)

• mundane matters of household organization

everyday • • day-to-day • • daily • |disapproving routine • • humdrum • |written, disapproving prosaic •

mundane/everyday/day-to-day/daily/routine/humdrum activities/tasks/work

a mundane/everyday/day-to-day/daily/a humdrum life

mundane/everyday/day-to-day/routine stuffmatters

Example Bank:

- a rather mundane task
- · He had no interest in such mundane details.
- She forced her mind onto more mundane things.
- To return to more mundane matters— lunch is at half past twelve.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

mun dane /mʌnˈdeɪn/ BrE * AmE * adjective

[Date: 1400-1500, Language: French; Origin: mondain, from Latin mundus 'world]

- 1. ordinary and not interesting or exciting SYN boring:
 - Initially, the work was pretty mundane.
 - The mundane task of setting the table can be fun on holidays.
- 2. literary concerned with ordinary daily life rather than religious matters SYN worldly

THESAURUS

- boring not interesting in any way: a boring speech | He found school incredibly boring.
- **not very interesting** [not before noun] very ordinary and therefore rather boring. People often use this phrase in everyday English, instead of saying directly that something is **boring**: The story wasn't very interesting.
- dull especially written boring: The conference was usually a dull affair. Life was neverdull.
- tedious /'ti\u201dies very boring and continuing for a long time: The process was tedious and slow. | Jake began the tedious task of sorting through his papers.
- monotonous /mə'nɒtənəs \$ mə'nɑ□ boring and always the same: The work was monotonous and unchallenging. | He was only half listening to the monotonous voice of the teacher.
- mundane /mʌn'deɪn/ rather boring, because it is connected with things you do regularly as part of your daily life: He busied himself with the mundane task of cleaning the house. | Most arguments are overmundane issues like spending or saving money.
- humdrum /'hʌmdrʌm/ [usually before noun] boring because nothing new or interesting ever happens: He wanted to escape his humdrum life. | a humdrum existence
- **dry** a subject, piece of writing etc that is dry is boring because it is very serious and does not contain any humour: The students complained that the lecture was dry and uninspiring. I a dry academic volume

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