

**meticulous**[mɪˈtɪkjələs] *a*

1) придирчивый, мелочно-дотошный, педантичный  
to be meticulous in little things - быть педантичным в мелочах

2) тщательный

a meticulous account of the event - подробный отчёт о событиях  
a meticulous worker - добросовестный работник  
to be meticulous in one's dress - быть тщательно одетым  
to be meticulous in the choice of words - тщательно /осторожно/ подбирать слова /выражения/  
I was amazed at the author's meticulous standards - я был поражён тщательностью автора

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**meticulous** *BrE* [mɛˈtɪkjələs] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [mɛˈtɪkjələs] <sup>u</sup> *adjective*

paying careful attention to every detail

**Syn:** ↑fastidious, **Syn:** ↑thorough

- **meticulous planning/records/research**
- Their room had been prepared with meticulous care.
- She planned her trip in meticulous detail.
- ~ **in sth/doing sth** He's always meticulous in keeping the records up to date.
- ~ **about sth** My father was meticulous about his appearance.

**Derived Words** ↑meticulously ▪ ↑meticulousness**Word Origin:**

[**meticulous meticulously meticulousness**] mid 16th cent. (in the sense 'fearful or timid'): from Latin **meticulosus**, from **metus** 'fear'. The word came to mean 'excessively careful about detail', hence the current sense (early 19th cent.).

**Example Bank:**

- She is meticulous in her choice of words.
- She kept the records in absolutely meticulous order.
- He's always meticulous in keeping the records up to date.
- The room had been prepared with meticulous care.

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very careful about small details, and always making sure that everything is done correctly:

- He kept meticulous accounts.
- Their planning and preparation were meticulous.
- He cleaned the tools with meticulous care.
- The book describes his journey in meticulous detail.

**meticulous in**

- He was meticulous in his use of words.

**meticulous about**

- He has always been so meticulous about his appearance.

**—meticulously** *adverb:*

- The attack was meticulously planned and executed.

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**THESAURUS**

- **careful** trying to avoid mistakes and do everything correctly by paying a lot of attention to details: Try to be more careful with your punctuation. | A careful inspection showed cracks in the foundation of the building.
- **methodical** always doing things in a careful and well-organized way: He is very methodical in his work and likes to plan everything in advance. | This time the researchers used a more methodical approach to the problem.
- **thorough** /ˈθʌrə \$ ˈθʌroʊ, ˈθʌrə/ careful to examine or deal with every part of something, so that you do not miss anything important: There will be a thorough investigation into the circumstances of her death. | Our mechanics will check everything – they're very thorough.
- **meticulous** very careful about every small detail in order to make sure everything is done correctly: She keeps meticulous records of the students' progress. | He was meticulous about keeping the place clean and tidy.
- **systematic** using a fixed plan in a careful and well-organized way in order to do everything that you should: a systematic review of the scientific evidence | We need a systematic way to evaluate employees.
- **painstaking** using a lot of time and effort to do something in a very careful and thorough way: The book is the result of ten years of painstaking research. | They began the long and painstaking task of translating his work into English.

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