

discredit

1. [dis'kredit] *n*

1. недоверие; сомнение

to throw /to cast/ discredit on (his previous evidence) - поставить под сомнение (его предыдущие показания)

2. дискредитация, компрометация, позор

to our discredit - к нашему стыду

to bring discredit upon oneself - дискредитировать /компрометировать/ себя

to bring smb. into discredit - дискредитировать кого-л.

to fall /to come/ into discredit - покрыть себя позором

3. позорное пятно, позор

a discredit to the school - позор для школы

4. лишение коммерческого кредита

2. [dis'kredit] *v*

1. 1) не доверять; подвергать сомнению, ставить под сомнение

to discredit a report - не верить сообщению

to discredit all that has been said - подвергать, сомнению всё услышанное

2) лишать доверия; подрывать доверие

2. дискредитировать, компрометировать; позорить

to discredit oneself - покрыть себя позором

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dis-credit [discredit discredits discredited discrediting] *verb, noun BrE*

[dis'kredit] *n* *NAmE* [dis'kredit] *v*

verb

1. ~ **sb/sth** to make people stop respecting sb/sth

• The photos were deliberately taken to discredit the President.

• a discredited **government /policy**

2. ~ **sth** to make people stop believing that sth is true; to make sth appear unlikely to be true

• These theories are now largely discredited among linguists.

• This new evidence discredits earlier findings.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	discredit
	BrE /dis'kredit/
	NAmE /dis'kredit/
he / she / it	discredits
	BrE /dis'kredits/
	NAmE /dis'kredits/
past simple, past participle	discredited
	BrE /dis'kredɪtɪd/
	NAmE /dis'kredɪtɪd/
-ing form	discrediting
	BrE /dis'kredɪtɪŋ/
	NAmE /dis'kredɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from ↑**dis-** (expressing reversal) + ↑**credit**, on the pattern of Italian (di)scredito (noun), (di)screditare (verb), and French **discrédit** (noun), **discréditer** (verb).

Thesaurus:

discredit *verb T*

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slander • **libel** • |**formal** **defame** • • **vilify** • • **malign** • |**especially** **journalism** **smear** •

be discredited/vilified/maligned **for/as** sth

discredit/smear the **government**

Example Bank:

• She accused the minister of trying to discredit the government

• These ideas have now been completely discredited.

• This was a blatant attempt to discredit this company.

• This divided and discredited government has lost the trust of the people.

noun uncountable (formal)

damage to sb's reputation; loss of respect

• Violent football fans **bring discredit on** the teams they support.

• Britain, **to its discredit**, did not speak out against these atrocities.

• My brother's behaviour did great discredit to the family.

compare ↑**credit** *n.* (7)

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- By telling lies he brought discredit upon the Army.
- His selfish decision is greatly to his discredit.
- It does us great discredit to treat foreigners so badly.
- She brought the whole system into discredit.
- They were a discredit to their country.
- Your failure reflects no discredit upon you— you did your best.
- Britain, to its discredit, did not speak out against these atrocities.
- Her behaviour has brought disgrace/shame/dishonour/discredit on her family.
- My brother's behaviour did great discredit to the family.

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I. discredit¹ /dɪs'kredɪt, dɪs'kredit/ BrE^u AmE^u verb [transitive]

1. to make people stop respecting or trusting someone or something:

“ The company's lawyers tried to discredit her testimony.

2. to make people stop believing in a particular idea:

“ His theories have now been discredited.

II. discredit² BrE^u AmE^u noun [uncountable]

the loss of other people's respect or trust

to sb's discredit

“ To his discredit, he knew about the problem but said nothing.

bring discredit on/upon/to somebody/something

“ The behaviour of fans has brought discredit on English football.

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Frequency Pack

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15000 **5861**^{COCA}

RANGE: **11k** DISCREDIT²²⁷⁷

discredit⁹⁷⁵

discredits⁷⁰

discredited¹⁰²⁴

discrediting¹⁸⁶

discreditable²²

discreditably⁰

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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