ecstasy Apresyan (En-Ru)

- **1.** ['ekstəsi] *n* 
  - 1. экстаз; исступление; исступлённый восторг

ecstasy of joy - порыв радости

he is in ecstasy overthe new opera - он в полном восторге от новой оперы

2. возвыш. транс; наитие, самозабвенный порыв; поэтическое вдохновение

приводить в экстаз; вызывать бурный восторг

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

ec-stasy [ecstasy ecstasies] BrE ['ekstəsi] NAmE ['ekstəsi] " ec·stasies)

1. uncountable, countable a feeling or state of very great happiness

Syn: †bliss

2. Ecstasy uncountable (abbr. E) an illegal drug, taken especially by young people at parties, clubs, etc.

## Word Origin:

late Middle English (originally referring to an emotional or religious frenzy or trance-like state): from Old French extasie, via late Latin from Greek ekstasis 'standing outside oneself', based on ek- 'out' + histanai 'to place'.

## Example Bank:

- · He had neverfelt such ecstasy as he did that night.
- I was in sheer ecstasy over the prospect of meeting my idol.
- Kate closed her eyes in ecstasy at the thought of a cold drink.
- An ecstasy of bliss poured through me.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

ec sta sy /'ekstəsi/ BrE \* AmE \* noun (plural ecstasies)

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: Greek ekstasis, from existanai 'to make mad']

1. [uncountable and countable] a feeling of extreme happiness

in (an) ecstasy

She was in an ecstasy of love.

go into ecstasies (=become very happy and excited)

2. [uncountable] an illegal drug that gives a feeling of happiness and energy. Ecstasy is especially used by people who go out to dance at clubs and parties.

# **THESAURUS**

#### great happiness

- joy especially written a feeling of great happiness: The sisters hugged and cried tears of joy. I It was a day of great joy for the whole town. | Most people would be jumping with joy.
- delight the feeling you have when you are very pleased and excited because something good has happened: They watched with delight as their new son started walking. I To her delight, she discovered the perfect wedding present.
- bliss a feeling of very great happiness and great pleasure used when something has a great effect on your senses: Lying in the warm sun and listening to the sea felt like sheer bliss (=complete bliss). | Her idea of bliss is to be curled up on the sofa watching a romantic comedy with a big bowl of popcorn. | The happy couple looked a picture of domestic bliss.
- elation written a feeling of great happiness and excitement, especially because you have achieved something or something good has happened to you: As they reached the top, the climbers experienced a moment of elation. | Her mood suddenly changed from tears and misery to a feeling of elation.
- euphoria an extremely strong feeling of happiness and excitement, especially because you have achieved something, or because of the effects of a drug: The euphoria that new parents feel quickly changes to exhaustion. | The euphoria of Ireland's amazing victory over England last Sunday has died away. | The drug produces a feeling of euphoria.
- ecstasy an extremely strong feeling of happiness and pleasure, especially sexual pleasure: It was a moment of sheer ecstacy (=complete ecstacy). I the ecstasy of their love-making

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