

direct**1. [d(a)'rekt] a****1. прямой**

direct road [line, rays] - прямая дорога [линия, -ые лучи]

in the direct line - по прямой линии

in a direct line with smth. - на одной линии с чем-л.

direct motion - **муз.** параллельноеголосоведение

2. 1) прямой, открытый, правдивый; ясный, недвусмысленный

direct person [question, reply] - прямой человек [вопрос, ответ]

direct statement - ясное /недвусмысленное/ заявление

direct charge - открытое обвинение

2) очевидный, явный

direct lie - явная ложь

direct contradiction - явное /очевидное/ противоречие

3. 1) прямой, непосредственный

direct influence - непосредственное влияние

direct contact - непосредственный контакт

direct knowledge - сведения из первоисточника

direct communication - непосредственная связь

direct tax - прямой налог

direct method - прямой метод (*в педагогике*)

direct action - прямые действия (*забастовка, демонстрация и т. п.*)

to take direct action - объявлять забастовку, бастовать

direct evidence - **юр.** прямые доказательства

direct reading - **тех.** прямой отсчёт

direct drive - **тех.** прямая передача

direct process - **метал.** процесс непосредственного получения железа из руд, бездоменный процесс

direct hit - **воен.** прямое попадание

direct fire - **воен.** огонь прямой наводкой, огонь с открытых позиций

direct laying - **воен.** прямая наводка

direct position - **воен.** открытая (огневая) позиция

direct pressure /pursuit/ - **воен.** фронтальноепреследование

direct access - **вчт.** прямой доступ

direct stroke - прямой удар молнии

to have a direct interest in smth. - быть непосредственно заинтересованным в чём-л.

he had direct charge of the laboratory - лабораториянаходилась в его непосредственном подчинении

2) происходящий по прямой линии

direct ancestor [heir] - прямой предок [наследник]

he was a direct descendant of duke Wellington - он происходил по прямой линии от герцога Веллингтонского

4. **усил. полный, абсолютный**

direct opposite /contrary/ - полная /диаметральная/ противоположность

5. вертикальный, отвесный, перпендикулярный к данной плоскости

direct sun - отвесно падающие лучи солнца

6. 1) **лингв. прямой**

direct speech [question, object] - прямая речь [-ой вопрос, -ое дополнение]

2) **мат. прямой**

direct ratio - прямая пропорциональность

in direct ratio to distance - прямо пропорциональныйрасстоянию

7. **астр. движущийся с запада на восток****8. **эл.** постоянный**

direct current - постоянный ток

direct voltage - постоянное напряжение

2. [d(a)'rekt] adv

прямо; сразу, непосредственно

to go [to come] direct to London - поехать [прибыть] прямо в Лондон

I shall communicate with you direct - я сразу же свяжусь с вами

the concert will be transmitted direct from Paris - концерт будет транслироватьсянепосредственно из Парижа

3. [d(a)'rekt] v**1. 1) направлять, наводить**

to direct a telescope towards the Moon - направить телескоп на Луну

2) направлять, обращать, устремлять

to direct one's steps to a house - направиться к дому

to direct attention to an interesting fact - обратитьвнимание на интересный факт

to direct one's efforts /energies/ to smth. - отдавать силы /энергию/ чему-л.

to direct measures against smth. - принять меры против чего-л.

to direct the fire on a target - **воен.** направлять огонь на цель

2. руководить, управлять; контролировать

to direct a business [a campaign] - руководить предприятием [кампанией]

3. 1) предписывать; давать указание, распоряжение

to direct smb. to come - предписать /дать указание, предложить/ кому-л. явиться
as directed - в соответствии с указаниями /с предписанием/
to direct John to drive to New York - распорядиться, чтобы Джон ехал в Нью-Йорк
he is directed by his conscience - он следует велениям своей совести

2) решать

the judge directed the verdict for the defendant - судья решил дело в пользу ответчика

4. наставлять; давать советы, учить; инструктировать

to direct the jury - проводить инструктаж судей

to direct smb. in matters of diplomacy - быть чьим-л. наставником в вопросах дипломатии

5. показывать дорогу

can you direct me to the railway station? - не скажете ли вы (мне), как пройти на вокзал?

6. 1) обращаться, предназначать

to direct words [remarks] to smb. - обращаться к кому-л. со словами [с замечаниями]

he never heard the words the judge directed to him - он не слышал обращенных к нему слов судьи

2) адресовать

to direct a letter [a parcel] to smb. - адресовать кому-л. письмо [посылку]

3) направлять, посылать

they were directed to work at the archives - они были направлены на работу в архив

7. 1) дирижировать

to direct an orchestra - дирижировать оркестром

who directed at yesterday's concert? - кто вчера дирижировал?

2) режиссировать, ставить кинофильм

direct

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dir·ect [direct directs directed directing] adjective, verb, adverb BrE [də'rekt] ¹
NAmE [də'rekt] ² BrE [di'rekt] ³ NAmE [di'rekt] ⁴ BrE [daɪ'rekt] ⁵ NAmE [daɪ'rekt] ⁶
adjective

NOBODY/NOTHING IN BETWEEN

1. usually before noun happening or done without involving other people, actions, etc. in between

- They are in direct contact with the hijackers.
- His death was a direct result of your action.
- She has direct responsibility for all new trainees.
- We are looking for somebody with direct experience of this type of work.
- This information has **a direct bearing on** (= it is closely connected with) the case.
- They see a direct link between the money supply and prices.

Opp: †indirect

JOURNEY/ROUTE

2. going in the straightest line between two places without stopping or changing direction

- the most **direct route/course**
- a **direct flight** (= a flight that does not stop)
- There's a **direct train** to Leeds (= it may stop at other stations but you do not have to change trains) .
- a **direct hit** (= a hit that is accurate and does not touch sth else first)

Opp: †indirect

HEAT/LIGHT

3. only before noun with nothing between sth and the source of the heat or light

- Protect your child from direct sunlight by using a sunscreen.

SAYING WHAT YOU MEAN

4. saying exactly what you mean in a way that nobody can pretend not to understand

- a **direct answer/question**
- You'll have to get used to his direct manner.
- She has a very direct way of speaking.
- I prefer a more direct approach.

Opp: †indirect

EXACT

5. only before noun exact

- That's the **direct opposite** of what you told me yesterday.
- a **direct quote** (= one using a person's exact words)

RELATIONSHIP

6. only before noun related through parents and children rather than brothers, sisters, aunts, etc

- a direct descendant of the country's first president
- With his death, the direct male line of the House of Capet came to an end.

Opp: †indirect

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **directus**, past participle of **dirigere**, from **di-** 'distinctly' or **de-** 'down' + **regere** 'put straight'.

Thesaurus:

direct **adj.**

• You'll have to get used to his direct manner.

blunt • **forthright** • **outspoken** • |often approving **frank** • **open** • **honest** • **straight** • **straightforward** • |formal **unequivocal** •

Opp: **indirect**

direct/forthright/outspoken/frank/open/honest/straight/straightforward/unequivocal **about** sth

direct/blunt/frank/open/honest/straight/straightforward **with** sb

a/an direct/blunt/honest/straight/unequivocal **answer**

a direct/blunt/forthright/frank **manner**

Synonyms:

honest

frank • direct • open • outspoken • straight • blunt

These words all describe people saying exactly what they mean without trying to hide feelings, opinions or facts.

honest • not hiding the truth about sth: ▪ Thank you for being so honest with me.

frank • honest in what you say, sometimes in a way that other people might not like: ▪ To be frank with you, I think your son has little chance of passing the exam.

direct • saying exactly what you mean in a way that nobody can pretend not to understand: ▪ You'll have to get used to his direct manner.

Being **direct** is sometimes considered positive but sometimes it is used as a 'polite' way of saying that sb is rude.

open • (approving) (of a person) not keeping thoughts and feelings hidden: ▪ He was quite open about his reasons for leaving.

outspoken • saying exactly what you think, even if this shocks or offends people: ▪ She was outspoken in her criticism of the plan.

straight • honest and direct: ▪ I don't think you're being straight with me.

blunt • saying exactly what you think without trying to be polite: ▪ She has a reputation for blunt speaking.

which word?

Honest and **frank** refer to **what** you say as much as **how** you say it: ▪ a(n) honest/frank admission of guilt. They are generally positive words, although it is possible to be **too** frank in a way that other people might not like. **Direct**, **outspoken** and **blunt** all describe sb's manner of saying what they think. **Outspoken** suggests that you are willing to shock people by saying what you believe to be right. **Blunt** and **direct** often suggest that you think honesty is more important than being polite. **Open** is positive and describes sb's character: ▪ I'm a very open person.

honest/frank/direct/open/outspoken/straight **about** sth

honest/frank/direct/open/straight/blunt **with** sb

a(n) honest/direct/straight/blunt **answer**

a frank/direct/blunt **manner**

Example Bank:

- Her manner can be rather direct.
- The album is her most emotionally direct work to date.
- a refreshingly direct discussion of the agency's priorities
- his disconcertingly direct gaze
- I need a direct answer to a direct question.
- You'll have to get used to his direct manner.

verb

AIM

1. transitive to aim sth in a particular direction or at a particular person

- ~ **sth at sth/sb** The machine directs a powerful beam at the affected part of the body.
- Was that remark directed at me?
- ~ **sth to/towards sth/sb** There are three main issues that we need to direct our attention to.
- ~ **sth against sth/sb** Most of his anger was directed against himself.

CONTROL

2. transitive ~ **sb/sth** to control or be in charge of sb/sth

- A new manager has been appointed to direct the project.
- He was asked to take command and **direct operations**.

MOVIE/PLAY/MUSIC

3. intransitive, transitive to be in charge of actors in a play, or a film/movie, or musicians in an ↑**orchestra**, etc

- She prefers to act rather than direct.
- ~ **sb/sth** The movie was directed by Steven Spielberg.
- She now directs a large choir.

SHOW THE WAY

4. transitive ~ **sb (to..)** to tell or show sb how to get to somewhere or where to go

- Could you direct me to the station?
- A police officer was directing the traffic.
- He was directed to a table beside the window.

GIVE ORDER

5. **transitive (formal)** to give an official order

Syn: †order

- ~ **sb to do sth** The police officers had been directed to search the building.
- ~ **that...** The judge directed that the mother be given custody of the children.
- (**BrE also**) The judge directed that the mother should be given custody of the children.

LETTER/COMMENT

6. **transitive ~ sth to...** (formal) to send a letter, etc. to a particular place or to a particular person

- Direct any complaints to the Customer Services department.

Verb forms:

verb form	
present simple	directs
3rd sing. present simple	directs
present continuous	is directing
past simple	directed
past continuous	was directing
present perfect simple	has directed
present perfect continuous	has been directing
past perfect simple	had directed
past perfect continuous	had been directing
future simple	will direct
future continuous	will be directing
future perfect simple	will have directed
future perfect continuous	will have been directing
conditional simple	would direct
conditional continuous	would be directing
conditional perfect simple	would have directed
conditional perfect continuous	would have been directing
imperative	direct
gerund	directing
past participle	directed

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Thesaurus:

direct verb T

1.

- The machine directs a beam of light on the area.

aim • • point • • focus •

direct/aim/point sth **at** sb/sth

direct/aim/focus (a) **light**

2. T

- She was appointed to direct a new campaign.

manage • • run • • be in charge • • control • • administer •

direct/manage/run/be in charge of/control/administer a **project**

direct/manage/be in charge of/control **operations**

be **centrally** directed/managed/run/controlled/administered

Collocations:

Cinema /the movies

Watching

go to/take sb to (see) a film/movie

go to/sit in (*BrE*) the cinema/(*NAmE*) the (movie) theater

rent a film/movie/DVD

download a film/movie/video

burn/copy/rip a DVD

see/watch a film/movie/DVD/video/preview/trailer

Showing

show/screen a film/movie

promote/distribute/review a film/movie

(*BrE*) **be on at** the cinema

be released on/come out on/be out on DVD

captivate/delight/grip/thrill the audience

do well/badly at the box office

get a lot of/live up to the hype

Film-making

write/co-write a film/movie/script/screenplay

direct/produce/make/shoot/edit a film/movie/sequel/video

make a romantic comedy/a thriller/an action movie

do/work on a sequel/remake

film/shoot the opening scene/an action sequence/footage (of sth)

compose/create/do/write the soundtrack

cut/edit (out) a scene/sequence

Acting

have/get/do an audition

get/have/play a leading/starring/supporting role

play a character/James Bond/the bad guy

act in/appear in/star in a film/movie/remake

do/perform/attempt a stunt

work in/make it big in Hollywood

forge/carve/make/pursue a career in Hollywood

Describing films

the camera **pulls back/pans over sth/zooms in (on sth)**

the camera **focuses on sth/lingers on sth**

shoot sb/show sb in extreme close-up

use odd/unusual camera angles

be filmed/shot on location/in a studio

be set/take place in London/in the '60s

have a happy ending/plot twist

Synonyms:

order

tell • instruct • direct • command

These words all mean to use your position of authority to say to sb that they must do sth.

order • to use your position of authority to tell sb to do sth: ▪ The company was ordered to pay compensation to its former employee. ◇▪ 'Come here at once!' she ordered.

tell • to say to sb that they must or should do sth: ▪ He was told to sit down and wait. ◇▪ Don't tell me what to do!

instruct • (rather formal) to tell sb to do sth, especially in a formal or official way: ▪ The letter instructed him to report to headquarters immediately.

direct • (formal) to give an official order: ▪ The judge directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

command • to use your position of authority to tell sb to do sth: ▪ He commanded his men to retreat.

order or command?

Order is a more general word than **command** and can be used about anyone in a position of authority, such as a parent, teacher or government telling sb to do sth. **Command** is slightly stronger than **order** and is the normal word to use about an army officer giving orders, or in any context where it is normal to give orders without any discussion about them. It is less likely to be used about a parent or teacher.

to order/tell/instruct/direct/command sb **to do sth**

to order/instruct/direct/command **that...**

to **do sth as** ordered/told/instructed/directed/commanded

Synonyms:

take

lead • escort • drive • show • walk • guide • usher • direct

These words all mean to go with sb from one place to another.

take • to go with sb from one place to another, for example in order to show them sth or to show them the way to a place: ▪ It's too far to walk— I'll take you by car.

lead • to go with or go in front of sb in order to show them the way or to make them go in the right direction: ▪ Firefighters led the survivors to safety.

escort • to go with sb in order to protect or guard them or to show them the way: ▪ The president arrived, escorted by twelve bodyguards.

drive • to take sb somewhere in a car, taxi, etc: ▪ My mother drove us to the airport.

show • to take sb to a particular place, in the right direction, or along the correct route: ▪ The attendant showed us to our seats.

walk • to go somewhere with sb on foot, especially in order to make sure that they get there safely; to take an animal, especially a dog, for a walk or make an animal walk somewhere: ▪ He always walked her home. ◇▪ Have you walked the dog yet today?

guide • to show sb the way to a place, often by going with them; to show sb a place that you know well: ▪ She guided us through the busy streets. ◇▪ We were guided around the museums.

usher • (rather formal) to politely take or show sb where they should go, especially within a building: ▪ She ushered her guests to their seats.

direct • (rather formal) to tell or show sb how to get somewhere or where to go: ▪ A young woman directed them to the station.

to take/lead/escort/drive/show/walk/guide/usher/direct sb **to/out of/into** sth

to take/lead/escort/drive/show/walk/guide sb **around/round**

to take/lead/escort/drive/walk sb **home**

to take/lead/escort/guide sb **to safety**

to lead/show **the way**

Example Bank:

- He directed the light straight in her face.
- He directs with flair and sensitivity.
- His anger was mostly directed towards/toward Peter.
- I directed my question to the chairman.
- I found myself being directed into a dark room.
- It was directed by Luc Besson.

- Tax cuts have been directed primarily at the better-off
- The attacks were directed solely at military targets.
- The film is expertly directed and beautifully photographed
- The machine directs light onto a special film.
- This merely directs attention away from the real issues.
- We are directing our efforts towards helping young people.
- a detour that directs you through narrow, dimly lit streets
- anger directed specifically against ethnic minorities
- criticism clearly directed at the Labour Party
- criticism clearly directed at upper management
- A young woman directed them to the station.
- He was asked to take command and direct operations.
- The campaign was carefully directed from party central office.
- The criticisms were clearly directed at the President.
- The judge directed that the mother be given custody of the children.
- The judge directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.
- The law will come into force next year, as directed by the federal government
- There are three main issues we need to direct our attention to.
- You should be prepared to carry out all reasonable duties as directed by the principal.

adverb

JOURNEY/ROUTE

1. without stopping or changing direction

- We flew direct to Hong Kong.
- The 10.40 goes direct to Leeds.

NOBODY IN BETWEEN

2. without involving other people

- I prefer to deal with him direct.

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direct

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I. **di** **direct**¹ **S2 W1** /də'rekt, dɪ'rekt, daɪ'rekt-/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *adjective*

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑direction, ↑directness, ↑director; **verb**: ↑direct, ↑redirect; **adverb**: ↑directly ≠ ↑indirectly; **adjective**: ↑direct ≠ ↑indirect]

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1. WITHOUT INVOLVING OTHERS done without any other people, actions, processes etc coming between **OPP** indirect:

- Experienced users have direct access to the main data files.
- I'm not in direct contact with them.
- Few policy-makers have had direct experience of business.

direct effect/impact/influence etc

- Educational level has a sizeable direct effect on income.

direct link/connection/relationship etc

- There is a direct link between poverty and ill-health.

direct result/consequence

- The decision to close the hospital is a direct result of Government health policy.

2. FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER going straight from one place to another without stopping or changing direction **OPP** indirect:

- Which is the most direct route to London?
- a direct flight to New York

3. EXACT [only before noun] exact or total:

- Weight increases in direct proportion to mass.
- For Lawrence, in direct contrast to Adam, everything seemed to come so easily.
- a direct quote (=exact words) from the book

4. BEHAVIOUR/ATTITUDE saying exactly what you mean in an honest clear way **OPP** indirect:

- Women often feel men are too direct and not sympathetic enough.
- Now, let me ask you a direct question, and I expect a direct answer.

5. direct descendant someone who is related to someone else through their parents and grandparents, not through their ↑aunts, ↑uncles etc

direct descendant of

- She claimed to be a direct descendant of Wordsworth.

6. direct hit an occasion on which something such as a bomb hits a place exactly, causing a lot of damage:

- During the war, the cathedral suffered many direct hits.
- One of the bombers scored a direct hit.

7. direct heat/sunlight strong heat or light that someone or something is not protected from **OPP** indirect:

- Never change the film in direct sunlight.

⇒ ↑directly, ↑directness

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COLLOCATIONS

nouns

- **direct access** Very few people have direct access to the President.
- **direct contact** The disease is only spread by direct contact between people.
- **a direct link/connection** The campaign makes a direct link between global warming and the consumption of energy in the home.
- **a direct relationship** We think having a direct relationship with customers is very important.
- **a direct effect/impact** Our organization's work has a direct impact upon children's lives in this country.
- **a direct result/consequence** Many illnesses here are a direct consequence of bad diet.
- **direct experience** People learn best through direct experience.
- **direct evidence** There is no direct evidence that this causes any harm.
- **direct control** The state has direct control over certain industries.

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THESAURUS

not hiding the truth or the facts

- **honest** saying what you really think and not hiding the truth or the facts: I'm going to ask you something, and I want you to be honest with me. | an honest answer | To be honest, I didn't think his speech was very good.
- **straight informal** honest and saying what you really think: I can't help you if you're not straight with me. | I need a straight answer.
- **open** willing to talk about what you think, feel etc in an honest way, rather than trying to hide it: People have become more open about their feelings. | She's very easy to talk to because she's so open.
- **frank** speaking honestly and directly about something, especially something that people find difficult to discuss: In his book, he's brutally frank about his experience with his illness. | a frank discussion about sex
- **direct** saying exactly what you think in an honest clear way, even when this might annoy or upset people: Not everyone liked his direct manner. | She can be very direct.
- **blunt** speaking in a completely honest way, even if it upsets people, when it would be better to be more careful or polite: Sorry if I was a bit blunt with you. | His hard tone and blunt words were hurtful. | She didn't reply and I knew I had been too blunt.
- **upfront [not before noun] informal** talking and behaving in an honest way, even when it is difficult to do this, in a way that people respect: It's best to be upfront about your financial problems. | You have to be upfront with kids.
- **outspoken** expressing your opinions publicly in a very direct way, which may offend or annoy some people: an outspoken critic of the government | He was known for his outspoken views on various controversies.
- **forthright formal** saying exactly what you think, without being afraid of what other people will think: The opposition have not come up with a clear forthright statement of their policies. | At times, Helena was a little too forthright.
- **candid formal** honest about the facts, or about your opinions and feelings, even if other people disapprove of them: He'd always been completely candid about his past. | It was an unusually candid admission for a politician.

II. direct² S3 W2 BrE⁺ AmE⁺ verb

[Word Family: noun: ↑direction, ↑directness, ↑director; verb: ↑direct, ↑redirect; adverb: ↑directly ≠ ↑indirectly; adjective: ↑direct ≠ ↑indirect]

1. **AIM [transitive always + adverb/preposition]** to aim something in a particular direction or at a particular person, group etc

direct something at/towards etc something

- The machine directs an X-ray beam at the patient's body.
- The new route directs lorries away from the town centre.
- I'd like to direct your attention to paragraph four.
- I want to direct my efforts more towards my own projects.

2. **BE IN CHARGE [transitive]** to be in charge of something or control it:

- Mr Turner was directing the investigation from a very early stage.
- The choir was directed by Sir David Willcocks.

3. **FILM/PLAY [intransitive and transitive]** to give the actors in a play, film, or television programme instructions about what they should do:

- The play was directed by Frank Hauser.

4. **WAY/ROUTE [transitive] formal** to tell someone how to get to a place

direct somebody to something

- Could you direct me to Trafalgar Square, please?

5. **TELL SOMEBODY TO DO SOMETHING [transitive] formal** to tell someone what they should do **SYN order**

direct somebody to do something

- The judge directed the jury to find Mr Baggs not guilty.

direct that

- He directed that his body should be buried in Upton.

III. direct³ BrE⁺ AmE⁺ adverb

1. without stopping or changing direction **SYN directly**:

- Can we fly direct to Chicago, or do we stop in Salt Lake City first?

2. without dealing with anyone else first **SYN directly**:

- Esther decided to contact the manager direct.
- It is usually cheaper to buy the goods direct from the wholesaler.

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