

## even

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 [ˈi:v(ə)n] *n* **поэт., арх.**  
 вечер; склон дня

II  
 1. [ˈi:v(ə)n] *n*

1. чётное число  
 even or odd? - чёт или нечет?

2. целое число

2. [ˈi:v(ə)n] *a*

1. ровный, гладкий

to make even - подравнивать, выравнять (*поверхность*); сглаживать [*ср. тж.* 4, 1])  
 even ground - **воен.** слабопересечённая местность

2. ровный, равномерный

even breathing - ровное дыхание

even development - равномерное развитие

even running - спокойный ход (*машины*)

even temperature - ровная температура

eventrot - мерная рысь

even voice - монотонный голос

even load - **спец.** равномерная /равномерно распределённая/ нагрузка

3. равный, одинаковый; такой же, тот же (самый)

even stress - **фон.** два ударения равной силы (*в слове*)

even bet - пари с равными шансами

even break - **амер.** равные шансы

a letter of even date - **юр., ком.** письмо от того же числа

to divide into even shares - делить поровну

to break even **см.** break1 II ◇

they meet on even ground - их силы равны, никто из них не имеет перевеса

4. 1) на одном уровне, вровень

even with the pavement - вровень с тротуаром

snow even with the eaves - снег до самых стрех

to make /to lay/ even with the ground - сровнять с землёй [*ср. тж.* 1]

2) параллельный

5. 1) уравновешенный

even temper - спокойный /уравновешенный/ характер

even scale - **поэт.** равновесие

the two scales hang even - чаши весов находятся в равновесии

2) расквитавшийся, рассчитавшийся

to be /to get/ even - свести счёты, расквитаться

we will not be even until you repay my visit - вы будете моим должником до тех пор, пока не отдадите мне визит

6. справедливый, честный

even bargain - честная сделка

an even exchange - равноценный обмен

7. чётный

even number - а) чётное число; б) **полигр.** чётная колонцифра

the even pages of a book - чётные страницы книги

evenly even - кратный четырём (*о числе*)

oddly /unevenly/ even - кратный двум, но не кратный четырём (*о числе*)

8. 1) целый (*о числе*)

2) точный

even mile - ровно миля

even dozen - точно дюжина

9. **полигр.** весь

even caps - (всё) слово, набранное прописными буквами

even smalls - (всё) слово, набранное строчными буквами

◇ at even - **фин.** без процентов

even reckoning makes lasting /long/ friends - **посл.** честный расчёт укрепляет дружбу; ≅ счёт дружбе не помеха

3. [ˈi:v(ə)n] *adv*

1. 1) даже

even if - даже если, хотя бы и

even if I knew - даже если бы я знал

even if they asked for it - хотя бы они и просили это

even though - хотя бы, даром что

he went even though we wanted him - он уехал, хотя он нам и был нужен

they agreed even though I warned them - они согласились, даром что /хотя/ я их предупреждал

even now - даже теперь

even so - даже при этих условиях, даже в таком случае

even so the difficulties would be unsurmountable - даже в этом случае трудности будут непреодолимыми

2) (даже) ещё (при сравнении)

even worse - даже /ещё/ хуже

even more interesting - ещё интереснее

2. 1) **усил.** как раз

even as he spoke, it began to rain - как раз когда он говорил, пошёл дождь

2) **поэт.** точно, именно

this is even so - это именно так; это совершенно верно

eventhus - как раз таким образом

even unto death - до самой смерти; не щадя жизни

evento the edge of doom - до (самой) гробовой доски

3. **полигр.** в подбор

to begin even - начинать в подбор; набирать без абзаца

to end even - разогнать строку до поля /в подбор к следующей строке/

4. [ˈi:v(ə)n] v

1. 1) выравнивать, сглаживать, делать ровным, гладким (**мж.** even up)

to even with the soil - сровнять с землёй

2) выравняться (**мж.** even out)

after Bristol the road will even out - после Бристоля дорога будет ровнее

the racing odds evened before the race - шансы на выигрыш уравнились ещё до начала скачек

2. **преим. амер., шотл.** равнять, приравнивать, ставить на одну доску; делать или считать равными

to even Homer and Dante - приравнивать Гомера к Данте, считать Гомера и Данте равными

3. **эк.** уравнивать; нивелировать

to even an account - **буха** уравнивать счёт

to even incomes - нивелировать доходы

4. **амер.** (on) отплатить отомстить

to even on smb. - расквитаться с кем-л.

## even

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

▪ **ˌiːvən** [**even evens evened evening evener evenest**] **adverb, adjective, verb**

**BrE** [ˈiːvən] **NAmE** [ˈiːvən]

**adverb**

1. used to emphasize sth unexpected or surprising

• He never even opened the letter (= so he certainly didn't read it) .

• It was cold there even in summer (= so it must have been very cold in winter) .

• Even a child can understand it (= so adults certainly can) .

• She didn't even call to say she wasn't coming.

2. used when you are comparing things, to make the comparison stronger

• You know even less about it than I do.

• She's even more intelligent than her sister.

3. used to introduce a more exact description of sb/sth

• It's an unattractive building, ugly even.

**more at** even/much/still less **at** ↑less adv.

### Word Origin:

Old English efen (adjective), efne (adverb), of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **even**, **effen** and German **eben**.

### Which Word?:

#### **although / even though / though**

You can use these words to show contrast between two clauses or two sentences. Though is used more in spoken than in written English. You can use although, even though and though at the beginning of a sentence or clause that has a verb. Notice where the commas go: ▪ Although/Even though/Though everyone played well, we lost the game. ◊▪ We lost the game, although/even though/though everyone played well.

You cannot use even on its own at the beginning of a sentence or clause instead of although, even though or though: Even everyone played well, we lost the game.

Idioms: ↑break even ▪ ↑even as ▪ ↑even if ▪ ↑even now ▪ ↑even so ▪ ↑even the score ▪ ↑have an even chance ▪ ↑on an even keel

Derived Word ↑evenness

Derived ↑even out ▪ ↑even something out ▪ ↑even something up

**adjective**

## SMOOTH/LEVEL

1. smooth, level and flat

• You need an even surface to work on.

**Opp:** ↑uneven

## NOT CHANGING

2. not changing very much in amount, speed, etc

• an even temperature all year

• Children do not learn at an even pace.

Opp: ↑uneven

## EQUAL

3. (of an amount of sth) equal or the same for each person, team, place, etc

- Our scores are now even
- the even distribution of food

Opp: ↑uneven

4. (of two people or teams) equally balanced or of an equal standard

- an even contest
- The two players were pretty even.

Opp: ↑uneven

## NUMBERS

5. that can be divided exactly by two

- 4, 6, 8, 10 are all **even numbers** .

Opp: ↑odd

## SAME SIZE

6. equally spaced and the same size

- even features/teeth

Opp: ↑uneven

## CALM

7. calm; not changing or becoming upset

- She has a very even temperament.
- He spoke in a steady, even voice.
- Nothing disturbed the even tenor of our life.

more at honours are even at ↑honour<sub>n</sub>.

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### Thesaurus:

**even** adj.

1.

- Children do not learn at an even pace.

**steady** • • **regular** • • **consistent** • • **constant** • |usually approving **stable** • |sometimes disapproving **especially business static** • |written **unchanging** •

Opp: **uneven** Opp: **variable**

a/an even/steady/constant/stable **temperature**

a/an even/steady/constant **flow**

even/steady/regular **breathing**

2.

- The scores were even at 2–2.

**close** • • **neck and neck** • • **hard-fought** • |especially BrE **level** •

Opp: **uneven** Opp: **unequal**

a/an even/close/hard-fought **contest**

### Example Bank:

- The floor isn't completely even.
- The scores remained more or less even throughout the competition.
- Try to keep the room at a fairly even temperature.
- Try to keep your stitches absolutely even.
- The political goal was a more even distribution of wealth.
- The scores were even at 2–2.
- There is a more even division in the contest for the deputy leadership.
- This seems to be a more even contest.
- Try to keep your baby's room at an even temperature.
- Until then the match looked fairly even.

verb

## Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	even
	BrE / 'i:vn/
	NAme / 'i:vni/
he / she / it	evens
	BrE / 'i:vnz/
	NAme / 'i:vnz/
past simple, past participle	evened
	BrE / 'i:vnd/
	NAme / 'i:vnd/
-ing form	evening
	BrE / 'i:vniŋ/
	NAme / 'i:vniŋ/

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## II. be 'even idiom

(informal) to no longer owe sb money or a favour

- If I pay for the meals then we're even.

Main entry: [↑even](#)<sub>idiom</sub>

## even

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

### I. **e**ven<sup>1</sup> **S1 W1** /'i:vən/ **BrE** <sup>ad</sup> **AmE** <sup>ad</sup> **adverb**

[Language: Old English; Origin: efne, from efen; ⇒ [↑even](#)<sup>2</sup>]

#### 1. used to emphasize something that is unexpected or surprising in what you are saying:

- Most companies have suffered a drop in their profits, even very large companies.
- It was quite difficult to see, even with the light on.
- He became quite successful and even appeared on a television show once.
- She did not even bother to phone us.
- He never even acknowledged my letter.

#### 2. **even bigger/better/brighter etc** used to emphasize that someone or something is bigger, better etc:

- This will make our job even more difficult.
- The news was even worse than we expected.
- The new version is even better than the old one.

#### 3. used to add a stronger, more exact word to what you are saying:

- Some patients become depressed, even suicidal.

#### 4. **even so spoken** used to introduce something that is true although it is different from something that you have just said:

- I know he's only a child, but even so he should have known that what he was doing was wrong.

#### 5. **even if** used to emphasize that something will still be true if another thing happens:

- She's going to have problems finding a job even if she gets her A levels.

#### 6. **even though** used to emphasize that something is true although something else has happened or is true:

- Even though he's 24 now, he's still like a little child.
- I can still remember, even though it was so long ago.

#### 7. **even now/then** in spite of what has happened:

- Even now I find it hard to believe that he lied.
- They invested in new machinery and equipment, but even then the business was still losing money.

#### 8. **even as** used to emphasize that something happens at the same moment as something else:

- He realized, even as he spoke, that no one would ever believe him.

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## GRAMMAR

**Even** usually goes before the word or phrase that you want to emphasize because it is surprising:

- Even young students were aware of how things had changed.
- There is wildlife even in the centre of town.

With a verb, **even** goes after the first auxiliary, if there is one:

- I have even offered to pay for everything.
- He can't even spell his own name.

**Even** is not used to introduce another clause. Use **even if**, **even though**, or **even when**:

- Even if it's raining (NOT Even it's raining), we go for a walk every day.
- They feel anxious even when things are going well.

▶ You can use **still** in a main clause after a clause beginning with one of these expressions, but do not use 'but' or 'yet':

- Even though we're completely different, we're still great friends (NOT but/yet we're great friends).

### II. **e**ven<sup>2</sup> **BrE** <sup>ad</sup> **AmE** <sup>ad</sup> **adjective**

[Language: Old English; Origin: efen]

#### 1. **LEVEL** flat and level, with no parts that are higher than other parts **OPP uneven**:

- The floor must be completely even before we lay the tiles.
- You need a flat, even surface to work on.
- He had lovely white, even teeth.

#### 2. **NOT CHANGING** an even rate, speed, or temperature is steady and does not change:

- The room is kept at an even temperature.
- Wood burns at a fairly even rate.
- 3. **DIVIDED EQUALLY** divided equally, so that there is the same amount of something in each place, for each person etc:
  - Divide the dough into three even amounts.
  - an even distribution of wealth
- 4. **NUMBER** an even number can be divided exactly by two **OPP odd**:
  - 2, 4, 6 and 8 are even numbers.
- 5. **COMPETITION** having teams or competitors that are equally good so that everyone has a chance of winning:
  - The first half was very even, and neither side scored.
  - an even contest
- 6. **SCORES** if the score in a game is even, two teams or players have the same number of points:
  - At the end of the first half the score is even.
- 7. **be even** *informal* to no longer owe someone something, especially money:
  - If you give me \$5, we'll be even.
- 8. **CALM** calm and controlled, and not extreme:
  - He read most of the speech in an even tone.
- 9. **an even chance** a situation in which it is just as likely that something will happen as not happen:
  - I think we have an even chance of winning.
  - We knew there was an even chance that the operation would fail.
- 10. **get even (with somebody)** *informal* to do something unpleasant to someone to punish them for something that they did to you
- SYN get revenge (on somebody)**:
  - I'll get even with him one day.
- 11. **break even** to neither make a profit nor lose money:
  - We're hoping that we'll at least break even, and perhaps make a small profit. ⇨ ↑ **even-tempered**

—**evenness** *noun* [uncountable]

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### THESAURUS

- **flat** on one level, without any holes or raised areas, and not sloping or curving: a flat roof | a flat screen | Before you lay the tiles, make sure that the ground is completely flat.
- **level** not sloping in any direction, so that every part is at the same height: Is the top of this picture level? | After four hours coming down the mountain, I was glad to be back on level ground.
- **smooth** without any holes or raised areas – used especially when saying how something feels when you touch it: her lovely smooth skin | I ran my hand across the animal's smooth fur.
- **even** without any holes or raised areas: Apply the paint to an even surface. | Be careful – the path is not very even here.
- **horizontal** going straight across and not sloping: a horizontal line | Raise both arms to a horizontal position.

### III. **even** <sup>3</sup> *BrE* <sup>•</sup> *AmE* <sup>•</sup> *verb*

#### **even out** *phrasal verb*

if things even out, or if you even them out, the differences between them become smaller **SYN level out**:

- The differences in their income should even out overtime.

#### **even something** ↔ **out**

- Use a brush to even out the variations in colour.

#### **even something** ↔ **up** *phrasal verb*

to make a situation or competition more equal:

- We put on a couple of more experienced players to even things up a bit.

## even

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even 462340

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