

# usurp

[ju:ˈzɜ:p] *v*

1. узурпировать, незаконно захватывать (*власть и т. п.*)
  2. (on) *редк.* посягать (*на что-л.*)
- to usurp (up)on smb.'s right's - посягать на чьи-л. права

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**usurp** [usurp usurps usurped usurping] *BrE* [juˈzɜ:p] *AmE* [juˈzɜ:rp]

**verb** ~ **sb/sth** (formal)

to take sb's position and/or power without having the right to do this

Derived Words ↑**usurpation** ▪ ↑**usurper**

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	usurp
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:p/
	<i>NAme</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:rp/
he / she / it	usurps
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:ps/
	<i>NAme</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:rps/
past simple, past participle	usurped
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:pt/
	<i>NAme</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:rpt/
-ing form	usurping
	<i>BrE</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:pɪŋ/
	<i>NAme</i> /ju:ˈzɜ:rpiŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'appropriate a right wrongfully'): from Old French **usurper**, from Latin **usurpare** 'seize for use'.

Example Bank:

- Democratically elected representatives should not be usurped by pressure groups.
- He attempted to usurp the principal's authority.
- She is scheming to take my place and usurp my power.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**usurp** /juˈzɜ:p/ *BrE* *AmE* **verb** [transitive]

[**Date:** 1300-1400; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** usurper, from Latin usurpare 'to take something by using it', from usus (⇒ **use**<sup>1</sup>) + rapere 'to seize']

**formal** to take someone else's power, position, job etc when you do not have the right to:

There were a couple of attempts to usurp the young king.

—**usurper** *noun* [countable]

—**usurpation** /juˈzɜ:pəˈʃən/ *AmE* **noun** [uncountable]

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