

**abstinence**['æbstɪnəns] *n*

1. (from) воздержание; умеренность; воздержанность (*в пище, питье и т. п.*)  
abstinence from meat - вегетарианство  
abstinence from coffee [from tobacco] - неупотребление кофе [табака]
2. трезвенность, полный отказ от потребления алкоголя (*мж.* total abstinence)
3. *церк.* пост  
day of abstinence - постный день

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**ab-stin-ence** [abstinence abstinences] *BrE* ['æbstɪnəns] *NAmE* ['æbstɪnəns]

noun uncountable ~ (from sth) (formal)

the practice of not allowing yourself sth, especially food, alcoholic drinks or sex, for moral, religious or health reasons

- total abstinence from strong drink

see also ↑abstain

Word Origin:Middle English: from Old French, from Latin *abstinentia*, from the verb *abstinere*, from *ab-* 'from' + *tenere* 'hold'.**abstinen~~c~~e**

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the practice of not having something you enjoy, especially alcohol or sex, usually for reasons of religion or health

—**abstinent** *adjective***abstinen~~c~~e**

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