

heresy['herɪsi] *n*

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to fall into heresy - впасть в ересь

to smack /to savour/ of heresy - отдавать ересью

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heresy**heresy** [heresy heresies] *BrE* ['herəsi] ^ˈ *NAmE* ['herəsi] ^ˈ **noun uncountable, countable** (pl. **heresies**)**1.** a belief or an opinion that is against the principles of a particular religion; the fact of holding such beliefs

- He was burned at the stake for heresy.
- the heresies of the early Protestants

2. a belief or an opinion that disagrees strongly with what most people believe

- The idea is heresy to most employees of the firm.

Word Origin:Middle English: from Old French **heresie**, based on Latin **haeresis**, from Greek **haireisis** 'choice' (in ecclesiastical Greek 'heretical sect'), from **haireomai** 'choose'.Collocations:**Religion***Being religious***believe in** God/Christ/Allah/free will/predestination/heaven and hell/an afterlife/reincarnation**be/become** a believer/an atheist/an agnostic/a Christian/Muslim/Hindu/Buddhist, etc.**convert to/practise/ (especially US) practice** a religion/Buddhism/Catholicism/Christianity/Islam/Judaism, etc.**go to church/ (NAmE) temple** (= the synagogue)**go to the local church/mosque/synagogue/gurdwara****belong to** a church/a religious community**join/enter** the church/a convent/a monastery/a religious sect/the clergy/the priesthood**praise/worship/obey/serve/glorify** God*Celebrations and ritual***attend/hold/conduct/lead** a service**perform** a ceremony/a rite/a ritual/a baptism/the Hajj/a mitzvah**carry out/perform** a sacred/burial/funeral/fertility/purification rite**go on/make** a pilgrimage**celebrate** Christmas/Easter/Eid/Ramadan/Hanukkah/Passover/Diwali**observe/break** the Sabbath/a fast/Ramadan**deliver/preach/hear** a sermon**lead/address** the congregation**say/recite** a prayer/blessing*Religious texts and ideas***preach/proclaim/spread** the word of God/the Gospel/the message of Islam**study/follow** the dharma/the teachings of Buddha**read/study/understand/interpret** scripture/the Bible/the Koran/the gospel/the Torah**be based on/derive from** divine revelation**commit/consider sth** heresy/sacrilege*Religious belief and experience***seek/find/gain** enlightenment/wisdom**strengthen/lose** your faith**keep/practise/practice/abandon** the faith**save/purify/lose** your soul**obey/follow/keep/break/violate** a commandment/Islamic law/Jewish law**be/accept/do** God's will**receive/experience** divine grace**achieve/attain** enlightenment/salvation/nirvana**undergo** a conversion/rebirth/reincarnation**hear/answer** a prayer**commit/confess/forgive** a sin**do/perform** penance**heresy**

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[Date: 1100-1200; Language: Old French; Origin: heresie, from Late Latin haeresis, from Greek haireisis 'act of taking or choosing']

1. a belief that disagrees with the official principles of a particular religion:

- He was executed for heresy.

2. a belief, statement etc that disagrees with what a group of people believe to be right:

- To come to work without a shirt and tie was considered heresy.

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