

quandary

[ˈkwɒnd(ə)rɪ] *n*

затруднительное положение; затруднение, недоумение

to be in a quandary (about what to do next) - быть в затруднительном положении; не знать, как поступить

to be put in a quandary - быть поставленным в затруднительное положение

to let smb. out of a quandary - помочь кому-л. выйти из затруднения

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

quandary [quandary quandaries] *BrE* [ˈkwɒndəri] *AmE* [ˈkwɑːndəri]

noun usually singular (pl. **quandaries**)

the state of not being able to decide what to do in a difficult situation

Syn: †dilemma

- George was **in a quandary** — should he go or shouldn't he?

Word Origin:

late 16th cent.: perhaps partly from Latin **quando** 'when'.

Example Bank:

- George was in a quandary— should he go or shouldn't he?
- This placed the government in something of a quandary.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: Perhaps from Latin quando 'when']

a difficult situation or problem, especially one in which you cannot decide what to do **SYN dilemma**

in a quandary

- Kate was in a quandary over whether to go or not.

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