understanding Apresyan (En-Ru)

# 1. [,\ndə'stændin] n

#### 1. 1) понимание

he hasn't much understanding of the question - он совсем мало смыслит в этом вопросе

he has a good understanding of economics - он хорошо разбирается в экономике

## 2) объяснение, интерпретация суждение

this is my understanding of the affair - так я воспринимаю это дело

this is not my understanding - я об этом сужу иначе, у меня другое суждение

3) понимание (кого-л.); сочувствие (кому-л.); чуткость, отзывчивость

## 2. разум, рассудок, интеллект

he has an excellent understanding - он прекрасно соображает, он обладает большой сообразительностью a man of understanding - человек с головой

#### 3. согласие, взаимопонимание

he disturbed the good understanding between them - он испортил хорошие отношения между ними

### 4. договорённость, соглашение

private understanding - частное соглашение

memorandum of understanding - дип. меморандум о договорённости

to reach /to come to/ an understanding - прийти к соглашению

they have a secret understanding with other firms - они имеют негласную договорённость с другими фирмами with a clear understanding as to the price - при твёрдой договорённости о цене

it is our understanding that ... - мы исходим из того, что ...

#### 5. условие

on this understanding - при этом условии

on the understanding that ... - при условии, что ..., на том условии, что ...

### 6. филос. рассудочное познание

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## 1. понимающий, разумный

understanding parents - разумные родители

#### 2. отзывчивый, чуткий

understanding heart - чуткое сердце

## understanding

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

#### under-stand-ing [understanding understandings] noun, adjective BrE NAmE [,\ndər\stændin] [,\nd\ata\delta\standin]

## 1. uncountable, singular ~ (of sth) the knowledge that sb has about a particular subject or situation

- The committee has little or no understanding of the problem.
- The existence of God is beyond human understanding (= humans cannot know whether God exists or not).
- Most of the students have a sound understanding of English grammar.

## 2. countable, usually singular an informal agreement

- We finally came to an understanding about what hours we would work.
- We have this understanding that nobody talks about work overlunch.

## 3. uncountable, singular the ability to understand why people behave in a particular way and the willingness to forgive them when they do sth wrong

- We must tackle the problem with sympathy and understanding.
- We are looking for a better understanding between the two nations.
- · Try to show a little more understanding.

## 4. uncountable, countable ~ (of sth) the particular way in which sb understands sth

## **Syn:** †interpretation

- · My understanding of the situation is...
- The statement is open to various understandings.

## Example Bank:

- · After spending a month living together, they have gained a better understanding of each other.
- · All of this research informs our understanding of how disease processes work.
- · Greater contact between the two groups should lead to a better mutual understanding.
- He didn't show much understanding towards her when she lost her job.
- · He had a poor understanding of international law.
- He showed a full understanding of the sequence of events.
- · How children change so quickly is beyond my understanding.
- · I have a clear understanding with any lawyer I hire.
- I thought you gave me the book on the understanding that I could keep it.
- It allowed him to deepen his degree of understanding even further.
- · It was our understanding that you had already been informed.
- My understanding of the arrangements is that David is buying the tickets and we're meeting him at the theatre.
- Our goal was to build shared understanding between the two communities.
- Scientists are seeking a better understanding of the process.
- She gave me a look filled with sympathetic understanding.
- · She has only a limited understanding of what the job involves

- She suddenly had a new understanding for her mother.
- Some religions have a common understanding of the nature of a divine being.
- The association fosters a deeper understanding between prisons and the public.
- The book aims to give children a balanced understanding of food and the environment
- · The idea of eternity is beyond our full understanding.
- The students seem to have a reasonable level of understanding of how genes work.
- There is an unspoken understanding that Hugh will be in charge while Jane is away.
- They came to an understanding on when final payment was to be made.
- This change of policy reflects a growing understanding of the extent of the problem.
- This creates a better understanding of organic farming.
- You need to read more widely to gain a proper understanding of the issue.
- · a book that will deepen your understanding of global warming
- · a force for understanding among the races
- · a level of cruelty that passes human understanding
- a tacit understanding on the need for a pay rise
- an improved understanding of the mechanisms involved
- an understanding between the companies to fight against the proposed tax reform
- · with a view to increasing public understanding of the functions and institutions of government
- His writings reflect a good understanding of the society he lived in.
- Our growing understanding of genetics raises some complex issues.
- · Please try to show a little more understanding.
- She has always shown great understanding of local political structures.
- Students will gain an active understanding of the workings of Parliament.
- The course should help enhance your understanding of the treatments available.
- The vastness of the universe is beyond human understanding.
- There is a general lack of understanding about the problems facing newly-arrived immigrants.
- You will need to have a thorough understanding of financial systems.

Idiom: †on the understanding that ...

Derived Word 1 understandingly

adjective showing sympathy for other people's problems and being willing to forgive them when they do sth wrong **Syn:** †sympathetic

· She has very understanding parents.

## understanding

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[Word Family: adjective: ↑understandable, ↑understanding, ↑misunderstood; verb: ↑understand ≠ ↑misunderstand; noun: ↑understanding ≠ ↑misunderstanding; adverb: ↑understandably]

1. [singular, uncountable] knowledge about something, based on learning or experience

#### understanding of

- How does this add to our understanding of the problem?
- If you know the neighbourhood, you have an understanding of what the children are like.
- Linguists currently <u>have little</u> <u>understanding of</u> the exact cause of language change.
- How can we gain an understanding of other cultures?
- Overtime, you will get a far better understanding of the job.
- Success depends on a <u>clear understanding of</u> the problem.
- <u>a basic understanding of AIDS prevention</u>
- 2. [countable usually singular] an unofficial or informal agreement

### come to/reach an understanding (=stop arguing and agree)

- My father was furious at first, but eventually we came to an understanding.
- We had an understanding that Jean-Claude should never be mentioned.
- **3.** [singular, uncountable] the ability to understand people's behaviourand to forgive them when they do something wrong: The principal listened to the boy's story with sympathy and understanding.
- 4. sb's understanding (of something) the way in which someone judges the meaning of something:
  - According to my understanding of the letter, it means something guite different.
- **5**. **on the understanding that** if you agree to something on the understanding that something else will be done, you agree to it, believing that it will be done:

Jack lent Sarah the money on the understanding that she would pay it back next month.

## COLLOCATIONS

## ■verbs

- have an understanding The authorities don't seem to have a clear understanding of the problem.
- gain/get/develop an understanding Scientists continued to gain a greater understanding of the effects of radiation.
- deepen /broaden an understanding It is hoped that the research will broaden our understanding of the disease.
- increase/improve/enhance sb's understanding The classes really helped to increase our understanding of the subject.

## adjectives

- a better/greater/deeper understanding All of this will lead to a better understanding of the overseas market.
- a clear understanding Before you begin, it is vital that you have a clear understanding of what you want to achieve.

- a complete/thorough/full understanding The degree gives students a thorough understanding of issues relating to housing.
- a proper/real understanding They lacked any real understanding of the subject.
- **a good understanding** The sales force has a good understanding of the market.
- **a basic understanding** The aim of the examination is to test basic understanding of the written language.
- **a limited understanding** We have only a limited understanding of how the brain processes this information.

#### II. understanding <sup>2</sup> BrE AmE adjective

[Word Family: adjective: †understandable, †understanding, †misunderstood; verb †understand ≠ †misunderstand; noun: †understanding ≠ †misunderstanding; adverb †understandably]

sympathetic and kind about other people's problems:

Luckily, I have a very understanding boss.

#### **THESAURUS**

- sympathetic kind to someone who is having problems: My friends were very sympathetic when I lost my job. | Jill was a very sympathetic listener. | a sympathetic attitude
- compassionate wanting to help people who are suffering or having problems: The doctor was a compassionate man who always acted in his patients' best interests.
- understanding not getting angry with someone or criticizing them, because you can see that they have problems: I have had a lot of time off work, but my boss is very understanding. I an understanding look
- caring caring about other people's feelings and wanting to help them: I have very caring parents. I Most of the nurses are very caring.

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