objective

1. [əb'dʒektıv] n 1. цель, задача; стремление objective of a military mission - цель боевого задания I don't see his objective - я не понимаю, к чему он стремится 2. воен. объект (наступления) military objectives - военные объекты 3. грам. объектный или косвенный падеж 4. опт. объектив [əb'dʒektıv] a 1. объективный действительный материальный objective fact - объективный факт objective evidence - объективные данные /свидетельства/; юр. показания to render smth. objective - доказать что-л. 2. непредубеждённый, беспристрастный, объективный objective opinion - объективное мнение 3. воен. относящийся к цели 4. вещественный, предметный objective world - вещественный мир 5. жив. объективный objective plane - объективный план objective point - точка в перспективе на плоскости 6. мед. объективный objective symptom - объективный симптом 7. грам. относящийся к дополнению objective case - объектный или косвенный падеж 8. филос. объективный реально существующий, действительный материальный objective reality - объективная реальность objective Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed. ob-ject-ive AW [objective objectives] noun, adjective BrE [ab'dzektry] NAmE [əb'dʒektɪv] noun 1. something that you are trying to achieve

Syn: †goal

- the main/primary/principal objective
- to meet/achieve your objectives
- You must set realistic aims and objectives for yourself.
- The main objective of this meeting is to give more information on our plans.

2. (also ob.jective 'lens) (technical) the [†]lens in a [†]telescope or [†]microscope that is nearest to the object being looked at

Word Origin:

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Thesaurus:

objective noun C

• What is the main objective of this project?

goal •• target •• purpose •• aim •• object •• plan •• idea •• point • |formal end •

objectives/goals/targets/aims/plans for sth

achieve a/an objective/goal/target/purpose/aim/end

set/agree on/identify/reach/meet/exceed a/an objective/goal/target

Objective, goal or target? Goals usually relate to a person or organization's long-term plans. **Targets** are usually specific figures, such as a number of sales, that are set officially, for example by an employer or a government committee. People often set their own **objectives** that they wish to achieve, for example as part of a project, campaign or piece of writing.

Synonyms:

target

objective • goal • object • end

These are all words for sth that you are trying to achieve.

target • a result that you try to achieve: = Set yourself targets that you can reasonably hope to achieve. >= attainment targets in schools

objective • (rather formal) something that you are trying to achieve: • What is the main objective of this project?

goal • something that you hope to achieve: • He continued to pursue his goal of becoming an actor.

target, objective or goal?

A **target** is usually officially recorded in some way, for example by an employer or by a government committee. It is often specific, and in the form of figures, such as number of sales or exam passes, or a date. People often set their own **objectives**: these are things that they wish to achieve, often as part of a project or a talk they are giving. **Goals** are often long-term, and relate to people's life and career plans or the long-term plans of a company or organization.

object • the purpose of sth; sth that you plan to achieve = The object is to educate people about road safety.

end • something that you plan to achieve = He joined the society for political ends. justifies the means = = (= bad methods of doing sth are acceptable if the final result is good) =.

 $\ensuremath{\text{End}}$ is usually used in the plural or in particular fixed expressions.

to work towards a(n) target/objective/goal

an ambitious/major/long-term/short-term/future target/objective/goal

economic/financial/business targets/objectives/goals

to set/agree on/identify/reach/meet/exceed a(n) target/objective/goal

to **achieve** a(n) target/objective/goal/end

Example Bank:

- The department needs more money to achieve its objectives.
- The legislation has failed to achieve its stated objectives.
- The party is radical in its objectives.
- The two groups are pursuing a common objective.
- We need to establish a clear objective.
- We succeeded in our prime objective of cutting costs.
- a set of agreed objectives
- I was afraid of failing to achieve my objectives.
- What is the main objective of this project?

Derived Words tobjectively = tobjectivity

adjective

1. not influenced by personal feelings or opinions; considering only facts

Syn: †unbiased

an objective analysis/assessment/report

- objective criteria
- I find it difficult to be objective where he's concerned.
- These figures give a reliable and objective indicator of changing trends in people's lifestyles.

Opp: †subjective

- $\ensuremath{\textbf{2.}}$ (philosophy) existing outside the mind; based on facts that can be proved
- objective reality

Opp: subjective

3. only before noun (grammar) the objective case is the one which is used for the object of a sentence

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Thesaurus:

objective adj.

It's hard to be objective about your own child.
 impartial • • neutral • • disinterested • • non-partisan • • unbiased/unbiassed •
 Opp: subjective
 objective/neutral about sb/sth

 a/an objective/impartial/neutral/disinterested/unbiased observer

a/an objective/impartial/neutral/unbiased opinion/assessment/analysis

Example Bank:

- In the 19th century, scientists began to adopt a much more objective approach to their subject.
- It's hard for parents to be objective about their own children.
- There's little objective evidence to suggest that he is guilty.
- These figures give a reliable and objective indicator of changing trend in people's lifestyles.
- We need to have an independent and objective assessment of the candidate's abilities.

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I. ob jec tive ¹ S3 W3 AC /əb'dʒektɪv/ BrE ^{*} AmE ^{*} noun [countable]

- 1. something that you are trying hard to achieve, especially in business or politics SYN goal:
 - He vowed to <u>achieve</u> certain <u>objectives</u> before the end of his presidency.
 - the best way to <u>accomplish</u> your <u>objectives</u>
 - The degree program <u>has</u> two main <u>objectives</u>.
 - Managers should <u>set</u> specific performance <u>objectives</u> for their teams.
 - The main objective was to improve children's knowledge of geography.
 - A <u>clear</u> <u>objective</u> was set and adhered to.
 - One of your first <u>business</u> <u>objectives</u> should be to get your own office.

2. a place that you are trying to reach, especially in a military attack: The 4th Division's objective was a town 20 miles to the east.

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COLLOCATIONS

verbs

- have an objective Our main objective is to reduce road accidents.

• set an objective (=decide what you are trying to achieve) Pupils should be encouraged to set their own objectives.

• achieve /accomplish an objective (a/so attain an objective formal) The policy should help us achieve our objective of reducing paper waste.

• reach/meet an objective (=achieve an objective) We need to control spending in order to meet our financial objectives.

pursue an objective (=try to achieve something you want) War has always been a means of pursuing national objectives.
 adjectives

• the main/principal objective This research project has three main objectives.

- the primary/prime objective (=the main one) The primary objective of training is to improve performance.
- a key objective (= a very important objective) Their economic strategy was based on a number of key objectives.
- a clear objective A manager must give his team clear objectives to work towards.
- a specific objective Most classroom activities have a specific learning objective.

• a stated objective (=what someone says their objective is) The city's stated objective was to improve housing in the area.

• a common objective (=one that people, countries etc share) Our employees have a sense of common objectives and their commitment is high.

• an economic/military/business/political etc objective We have made good progress towards meeting our business objectives.

phrases

aims and objectives (=all the things someone wants to achieve) The department should clearly state its aims and objectives.
 II. objective ² S3 AC BrE ^{*} AmE ^{*} adjective

[Word Family: noun: 1 objectivity; adverb 1 objectively; adjective: 1 objective]

1. based on facts, or making a decision that is based on facts rather than on your feelings or beliefs **OPP subjective** objective assessment/measurement/description etc

- " It's hard to give an objective opinion about your own children.
- Scientists need to be objective when doing research.

purely/totally/completely objective

the importance of a completely objective, independent press

2. *formal* existing outside the mind as something real, not only as an idea: The world has an objective reality.

-objectivity /,pbdzek'trvəti, ,pbdzek'trvrti \$,a b- noun [uncountable]

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