alone Apresyan (En-Ru)

## 1. [ə'ləvn] a predic

### 1. 1) один, одинокий; в одиночестве

all /quite/ alone - совсем один

I want to be alone - я хочу побыть один, мне нужно побыть одному

## 2) один, единственный, отличный от других

he is not alone in his interests [conclusions] - он не одинок в своих интересах [выводах]

we are not alone in thinking that ... - не только мы думаем, что ...

is mankind alone in the Universe? - есть ли ещё разумные существа во Вселенной?

## 2. уникальный, несравнимый (ни с кем, ни с чем)

he is alone among them in devotion to duty - по преданности долгу его нельзя сравнить ни с кем из них

he is alone in his ability to solve financial problems - он обладает уникальной способностью разрешать финансовые трудности

### **2.** [ə'ləvn] *adv*

## 1. в одиночестве, наедине, одиноко

to live [to sit, to die] alone - жить [сидеть, умирать] в одиночестве

does she live alone? - она что, одна живёт?

alone with smb. - наедине с кем-л.

alone with his thoughts - наедине /один на один/ со своими мыслями

### 2. усил. только, исключительно, единственно

he alone is to blame - он единственный виновник

science alone can do it - только наука может это сделать

he alone could achieve this - никто кроме него не мог бы добиться /достичь/ этого

man shall not live by bread alone - библ. не хлебом единым жив человек

# 3. в одиночку, без посторонней помощи

you can't lift the trunk alone - ты не сможешь (при)поднять сундук сам

the widow raised her three children practically alone - вдова воспитала троих детей фактически без чьей-л. поддержки

⊘ to leave /to let/ smb., smth. alone - оставлять кого-л., что-л в покое; не трогать кого-л., что-л

leave/let/ me alone! - оставь меня в покое!; отстаны!

leave that alone! - перестань об этом говорить!; оставь этот вопрос!; хватит об этом!

let alone (that) ... - не говоря уже о ..., не учитывая даже ...

I have no time for this journey let alone the money needed - у меня нет времени на такое путешествие, не говоря уже о деньгах

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alone BrE [ə'ləʊn] \* NAmE [ə'loʊn] \* adjective not before noun, adverb

#### 1. without any other people

- I don't like going out alone at night.
- · He lives alone.
- Finally the two of us were alone together .
- · She was sitting all alone in the hall.
- Tom is **not alone in** finding Rick hard to work with.

# 2. without the help of other people or things

- · It's hard bringing up children alone.
- The assassin said he had acted alone.

# 3. lonely and unhappy or without any friends

- · Carol felt all alone in the world.
- I'vebeen so alone since you went away.
- 4. used after a noun or pronoun to show that the person or thing mentioned is the only one
- You can't blame anyone else; you alone made the decision.

## 5. used after a noun or pronoun to emphasize one particular thing

The shoes alone cost £200.

more at time (alone) will tell at time n.

Idioms: 1go it alone = 1let alone = 1let somebody alone = 1let something alone = 1stand alone

# Word Origin:

[alone] Middle English: from fall + fone.

### Which Word?:

## alone / lonely / lone

Alone, and on your own /by yourself (which are less formal and are the normal phrases used in spoken English), describe a person or thing that is separate from others. They do not mean that the person is unhappy: = I like being alone in the house.  $\diamondsuit$ = I'm going to London by myself next week.  $\diamondsuit$ = I want to finish this on my own = (= without anyone's help) =.

**Lone/solitary/single** mean that there is only one person or thing there; **lone** and **solitary** may sometimes suggest that the speaker thinks the person involved is lonely: • a lone jogger in the park  $\diamondsuit$ • long, solitary walks

**Lonely** (*NAmE* also **lonesome**) means that you are alone and sad: ■ a lonely child ♦ Sam was very lonely when he first moved to New York. It can also describe places or activities that make you feel lonely: ■ a lonely house

## Example Bank:

· Don't touch me! Leave me alone!

- Finally the two of us were alone together.
- · He felt lost and completely alone.
- I felt vulnerable and very much alone.
- · I'veneverfelt so alone as I do now.
- · She did not want to be alone with him.
- I'vebeen so alone since you went away.
- He decided to go it alone and start his own business.
- I don't like going out alone at night.
- · It's hard bringing up children alone.
- The press photographers just won't leave her alone.
- You are not alone in finding him hard to work with.

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allone S2 W1 /ອ'lອບກ \$ ອ'loບn/ BrE ້ AmE ້ adjective [not before noun], adverb

[Date: 1200-1300; Origin: all one 'wholly one']

1. if you are alone in a place, there is no one with you SYN by yourself:

She <u>lives</u> alone.

- You shouldn't leave a child alone in the house.
  - My wife and I like to spend time alone together away from the kids.

#### **REGISTER**

In everyday English, people often say by yourself or on your own rather than alone:

- She lives by herself/on her own.
- 2. without any friends or people you know:
  - It was scary being all alone in a strange city.
  - She was all alone in the world (=she had no family or friends to help her or look after her).
- 3. feeling unhappy and lonely:
  - I cried like a child because I felt so alone.
- 4. without any help from other people:
  - He was left to raise their two children alone.
- 5. without including anything else:
  - The case will cost thousands of pounds in legal fees alone.
- 6. you/he etc alone used to emphasize that there is only one person who knows, can do something etc:

Julie alone knew the truth.

7. go it alone to start working or living on your own, especially after working or living with other people:

After years of working for a big company I decided to go it alone.

- **8. leave somebody alone** (also let somebody alone old-fashioned) to stop annoying or interrupting someone:
  - 'Leave me alone!' she screamed.
- 9. leave something alone (also let something alone old-fashioned) to stop touching an object or changing something:

Leave those cakes alone. They're for the guests.

leave well (enough) alone (=not change something that is satisfactory)

- In economic matters, they should leave well alone.
- 10. be yours/hers/his etc alone used to emphasize that something belongs to someone:

The responsibility is yours and yours alone.

11. not be alone in (doing) something to not be the only person to do something:

You're not alone in feeling upset, believe me.

- 12. stand alone
- a) to be strong and independent:

the courage to stand alone

**b)** to be at a distance from other objects or buildings:

The house stood alone at the end of the road.

## THESAURUS (for Meaning 4) (for )

- on your own/by yourself without help from anyone else: I can't move the bed on my own. | See if you can work out the answer by yourself. | all on your own/all by yourself (=used when you feel impressed or feel sympathy for someone): Did you paint this picture all on your own? | It's not fair that she does everything all by herself.
- alone without any help from anyone else. Alone is more formal and less common than on your own or by yourself: Police believe the killer acted alone.
- independently without asking for help or advice from anyone: Students are taught to work independently. | One day she will have to live independently without the support of her family.
- unaided without the help of anyone or anything used especially about people who are very weak, ill etc: He is unable to breathe unaided. | After treatment, he was able to go up and down stairs unaided.
- **single-handedly** doing something difficult or impressive without help from anyone else: She single-handedly reformed the entire system.
- solo by one person, not a group: Lindbergh's solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean | She is planning to release a solo album. |
   He sang and played the song solo.
   lone adjective [only before noun] doing something alone. Used especially in the following phrases: a lone gunman: Police say
- the attack was carried out by a lone gunman. | The government should do more to help lone parents (=who raise a child alone).

   self-made adjective someone who has become very rich or successful without help from anyone else: a self-made

man/millionaire/businessman etc: Like most self-made men, he was extremely self-confident.

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