

**fairly**['feəli] *adv*

1. **честно; справедливо, беспристрастно**  
to win /to gain/ smth. fairly - получить что-л. честно /по справедливости/  
to act fairly by all men - поступать справедливо по отношению ко всем людям
2. **1) довольно; в известной степени; сносно**  
fairly good - довольно хороший  
she sings fairly well - она неплохо поёт  
we could see and hear fairly well - нам было довольно хорошо видно и слышно  
his suggestion fairly took my breath away - от его предложения у меня просто дух захватило
- 2) **эмоц.-усил.** совершенно, явно; весьма  
he is fairly beside himself - он совершенно вне себя  
the boat was fairly under way - корабль был уже на полном ходу
3. **благоприятно надлежащим, соответствующим образом**  
a town fairly situated - город, хорошо расположенный  
he may fairly have high hopes - он вправе питать большие надежды
4. **ясно, чётко, разборчиво**  
to write fairly - писать разборчиво

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**fairly** *BrE* ['feəli] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* ['ferli] <sup>m</sup> **adverb**

1. (before adjectives and adverbs) to some extent but not very
  - a fairly easy book
  - a fairly typical reaction
  - I know him fairly well, but I wouldn't say we were really close friends.
  - I go jogging fairly regularly.
  - We'll have to leave fairly soon (= before very long) .
  - I'm fairly certain I can do the job.
  - The report was fairly incomprehensible.
  - I think you'll find it fairly difficult (= you do not want to say that it is very difficult) .
2. in a fair and reasonable way; honestly
  - He has always treated me very fairly.
  - Her attitude could fairly be described as hostile.
3. (old-fashioned) used to emphasize sth that you are saying
  - The time fairly raced by.

Idiom: †fairly and squarelyThesaurus:**fairly** [fairly] *adv.*

• The plants are fairly easy to grow.

**reasonably** • |especially *BrE* **rather** • • **quite** • |*AmE* informal, *BrE* **pretty** •fairly/reasonably/rather/quite/pretty **good/successful/large/easy/pleased/confident**fairly/rather/quite/pretty **bad/big/heavy/new/difficult/expensive**fairly/reasonably/pretty **certain/accurate/happy/safe/sure****Fairly or reasonably?** **Fairly** is more positive than **reasonably**, which often suggests that sth is of an acceptable standard, but not the best.Which Word?:**quite / fairly / rather / pretty**

Look at these examples:

- The exam was fairly difficult.
- The exam was quite difficult.
- The exam was rather difficult.

**Quite** is a little stronger than **fairly**, and **rather** is a little stronger than **quite**. **Rather** is not very common in *NAmE*; **pretty** has the same meaning and this is used in informal *BrE* too: ▪ The exam was pretty difficult.In *BrE* **quite** has two meanings: ▪ I feel quite tired today (= fairly tired). With adjectives that describe an extreme state ('non-gradable' adjectives) it means 'completely' or 'absolutely': ▪ I feel quite exhausted. With some adjectives, both meanings are possible. The speaker's stress and intonation will show you which is meant: ▪ Your essay is 'quite good (= fairly good — it could be better); ▪ Your essay is quite 'good (= very good, especially when this is unexpected).In *NAmE* **quite** usually means something like 'very', not 'fairly' or 'rather'. **Pretty** is used instead for this sense.Example Bank:

- He's always treated me very fairly.
- It's fairly clear that there is still room for improvement
- That's a fairly typical reaction.
- The plants are fairly easy to grow.
- The software is fairly easy to use.

**fairly****fairly** S1 W2 /'feəli \$ 'ferli/ BrE " AmE " *adverb*[Word Family: *adverb* ↑fairly ≠ ↑unfairly, ↑fair; *noun*: ↑fairness ≠ ↑unfairness; *adjective*: ↑fair ≠ ↑unfair]1. [+ *adjective/adverb*] more than a little, but much less than very ⇒ **quite**:

- The house had a fairly large garden.
- She speaks English fairly well.
- The instructions seem fairly straightforward.

2. in a way that is fair, honest, and reasonable:

- I felt I hadn't been treated fairly.

3. *British English old-fashioned* used to emphasize the degree, force etc of an action:

- He fairly raced past us on his bike.

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- **rather/quite** *especially British English* more than a little, but less than very. British people often use these words before adjectives in conversation. In many cases they do not intend to change the meaning – it is just something that people say: She seemed rather unhappy. | It's rather a difficult question. | It's getting quite late. | Malaria is rather common in this area.
- **fairly** *rather*. **Fairly** is used in both British and American English: The test was fairly easy. | It's a fairly long way to the next town.
- **pretty** *spoken* *rather*. **Pretty** is more informal than the other words and is used in spoken English: Her French is pretty good. | We're in a pretty strong position.
- **reasonably** to a satisfactory level or degree: He plays reasonably well. | Let's just say that I am reasonably confident we'll win.
- **moderately** *formal* more than a little, but not very: Her family was moderately wealthy. | The food was moderately good, but not as good as the food in the other restaurants. | Use a moderately high heat. | a moderately difficult climb
- **somewhat** *formal* fairly or to a small degree. **Somewhat** is used especially when talking about the size or degree of something. It is often used in comparatives: The celebrations were somewhat larger than last year's. | He looked somewhat irritated. | a somewhat surprising decision

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