

1. ['feivə] *n*

1. благосклонность, расположение

in favour- в почёте, в фаворе, в чести [*ср. тж.* 9]

out of favour- не в почёте, не в чести; в немилости

to win smb.'s favour, to find favour in smb.'s eyes /in the eyes of smb./ - снискать /заслужить/ чьё-л. расположение

to be /to stand/ high in smb.'s favour; to be in high favour with smb. - очень нравиться кому-л., быть любимцем кого-л., пользоваться чьей-л. благосклонностью, быть в милости у кого-л.

to enjoy the favours of a woman - пользоваться благосклонностью женщины

to look with favour on smb. - относиться доброжелательно/благосклонно/ к кому-л.

to look with favour on smth. - относиться к чему-л. доброжелательно/одобряя что-л.

to worm oneself into smb.'s favour- втираться к кому-л. в доверие; снискать чьё-л. расположение

to curry favour with smb., *шотл. арх.* to claw favour with smb. - заискивать /подхалимничать/ перед кем-л.

2. одолжение, милость, любезность

do me [him] a favour- сделайте мне [ему] одолжение

to do smth. as a favour- сделать что-л. в виде одолжения

to heap favours upon smb. - осыпать кого-л. милостями

to owe smb. a favour- быть в долгу у кого-л.; \cong считать необходимым ответить услугой за услугу

3. протекция, покровительство (*влиятельного лица*)

to win a position by favour more than by merit - достигнуть положения не столько благодаря заслугам, сколько по протекции

he succeeded in winning the favour of the authorities - ему удалось завоевать покровительство властей

4. 1) бант, ленточка, розетка; значок

wedding favours- банты шафера

he wore his lady's favour- на нём была ленточка его возлюбленной

political party [football team] favours- значки /розетки/ с названием политической партии [футбольной команды]

2) фант

3) небольшой сувенир (*получаемый на вечеринке, детском празднике: хлопушка, маска и т. п.*)5. *арх.* поддержка; помощь; содействие

under favour of the darkness - под покровом ночи

6. *арх.* позволение, разрешение

by /with/ your favour- с вашего позволения

under favour- осмелюсь заметить, с вашего позволения

7. *арх.* сообщение, письмо

your favour of yesterday - ваше вчерашнее письмо

8. *арх.* привлекательность, прелесть9. *в сочетаниях:*

in favour (of) - а) в защиту, за; на (*чьей-л.*) стороне; he was in favour of women's suffrage - он был сторонником предоставления

избирательного права женщинам; all those in favour raise your hands - кто «за», поднимите руки; б) в пользу; in smb.'s favour-

в чью-л. пользу; на чьё-л. имя; to withdraw in favour of another - отказаться в пользу другого

to draw a check in smb.'s favour- выписать чек на чьё-л. имя

it speaks in his favour- это говорит в его пользу

by favour of - переданный кем-л. (*о письме*)

◇ the last favour- обладание женщиной

2. ['feivə] *v*

1. 1) благоволить, быть благосклонным

fortune favours the brave- счастье сопутствует храбрым

the judge favoured the plaintiff - судья благосклонно отнёсся к истцу

2) оказывать внимание, проявлять любезность

favour me with an answer - будьте любезны ответить мне

he favoured them with a copy of his book - он любезно подарил им экземпляр своей книги

3) мирволить, оказывать предпочтение; проявлять пристрастие

a mother must not favour one of her children more than the others - мать не должна оказывать предпочтение одному ребёнку

перед остальными

2. благоприятствовать; содействовать, помогать

the darkness favoured his escape - темнота способствовала его побегу

the tax system favours early marriage - эта налоговая система поощряет ранний брак

3. поддерживать; одобрять

he couldn't favour the proposal - он не мог одобрить это предложение

these facts favour his theory - эти факты подтверждают его теорию

4. (with) оказывать честь, приносить удовольствие, сделать приятное (*кому-л. чем-л.*)

favour us with a song - доставьте нам удовольствие и спойте что-нибудь

5. *разг.* обращаться осторожно, беречь, щадить

he sat in the shade to favour his eyes - он сидел в тени, чтобы не утомлять глаза

the boxer favoured his injured hand - боксёр щадил больную руку

6. *разг.* напоминать, быть похожим

the child favours his mother - ребёнок похож на мать

favour [favour favours favoured favouring] (especially US **favor**) noun, verb *BrE*
 ['feɪvə(ɹ)]^u *NAmE* ['feɪvə]^u
 noun

HELP

1. countable a thing that you do to help sb

- Could you **do me a favour** and pick up Sam from school today?
- Can I **ask a favour** ?
- I would never ask for any favours from her.
- I'm going **as a favour** to Ann, not because I want to.
- I'll ask Steve to take it. He **owes me a favour** .
- Thanks for helping me out. I'll **return the favour** (= help you because you have helped me) some time.
- **Do yourself a favour** (= help yourself) and wear a helmet on the bike.

APPROVAL

2. uncountable approval or support for sb/sth

- The suggestion to close the road has **found favour with** (= been supported by) local people.
- The programme has **lost favour** with viewers recently.
- an athlete who **fell from favour** after a drugs scandal
- (formal) The government **looks with favour upon** (= approves of) the report's recommendations.
- She's not **in favour with** (= supported or liked by) the media just now.
- It seems Tim is **back in favour** with the boss (= the boss likes him again) .

BETTER TREATMENT

3. uncountable treatment that is generous to one person or group in a way that seems unfair to others

Syn: ↑bias

- As an examiner, she showed no favour to any candidate.

PARTY GIFT

4. favours plural (NAmE) = ↑party favors

SEX

5. favours plural (old-fashioned) agreement to have sex with sb

- demands for sexual favours

more at curry favour **at** ↑curry _{v.}, without fear or favour **at** ↑fear _{n.}, the cards/odds are stacked in your favour **at** ↑stacked

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the noun sense 'liking, preference'): via Old French from Latin *favor*, from *favere* 'show kindness to' (related to *fovere* 'cherish').

Example Bank:

- Although I am friends with the tennis ace, I don't expect any favours from him on court.
- Artists sought the favour of wealthy patrons.
- As a personal favour to me, please don't release my story to the press.
- Depth of training is looked upon with favour by many employers.
- Do yourself a favour and cut your credit cards in half.
- Early in his musical career he abandoned blues in favour of jazz.
- Environmental conservation generally works in favour of maintaining the status quo.
- He is strongly in favour of capital punishment.
- He needed another favour from her.
- He stood in high favour at the court of Lewis the Pious.
- He tried to curry favour with the teachers.
- Her political views have not found favour in recent years.
- I came here to ask you a big favour
- I don't expect any favours from my friends on the tennis court.
- I'll ask Jane. She owes me a favour
- In the Christian tradition, the world exists only as an act of divine favour
- No one was willing to speak out in favour of their colleague.
- Rodrigo accepted the favours bestowed on him by the new king.
- She argued in favour of this policy.
- She had one last favour to ask her brother.
- She is too popular with the public to find much favour with the critics.
- Thanks very much. I'll return the favour one day.
- The High Court found in favour of the plaintiffs.
- The bishop was said to have enjoyed the king's favour.
- The committee came down in favour of setting up a national body.
- The golf tournament went in the Americans' favour
- The senior officials were punished and rapidly fell from favour.

- This argument found favour among advocates of multiculturalism.
- This did not meet with public favour.
- This idea has long since fallen out of favour.
- This piece of software has two points in its favour: it's fast and inexpensive.
- Traditionally, vigilante groups have found greater favour on the political right.
- Why are we trying to court the favour of critics?
- an argument in favour of censorship
- It seems Tim is back in favour with the boss.
- She's not in favour with the media just now.
- The government looks with favour upon the report's recommendations.
- The show has lost favour with viewers recently.
- The suggestion to close the road has found favour with local people.

Idioms: ↑do me a favour ▪ ↑do somebody no favours ▪ ↑in favour ▪ ↑in somebody's favour

verb

PREFER

1. ~ **sth** | ~ **(sb) doing sth** to prefer one system, plan, way of doing sth, etc. to another

- Many countries favour a presidential system of government
- It's a resort favoured by families with young children.

TREAT BETTER

2. ~ **sb** to treat sb better than you treat other people, especially in an unfair way

- The treaty seems to favour the US.
- My parents always favoured my older brother.

HELP

3. ~ **sth** to provide suitable conditions for a particular person, group, etc

- The warm climate favours many types of tropical plants.

LOOK LIKE PARENT

4. ~ **sb** (old-fashioned or NAmE) to look like one of your parents or older relations

- She definitely favours her father.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	favour
	BrE / 'feɪvə(r) /
	NAmE / 'feɪvər /
he / she / it	favours
	BrE / 'feɪvəz /
	NAmE / 'feɪvərz /
past simple, past participle	favoured
	BrE / 'feɪvəd /
	NAmE / 'feɪvərd /
-ing form	favouring
	BrE / 'feɪvərɪŋ /
	NAmE / 'feɪvərɪŋ /

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Example Bank:

- Haitians especially favour seafoods.
- He favoured some individuals at the expense of others.
- I personally favour this last option.
- News coverage should not favour one party over another.
- Pot plants are increasingly favoured as gifts by guests.
- She continues to favour large-scale developments.
- The Democrat candidate is favoured for re-election.
- The polls slightly favour the Republicans.
- The prime minister is thought to favour an early referendum on the issue.
- We strongly favour reform of the system.
- It's a resort favoured by families with young children.

favour

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1. **fa** **vour**¹ **S2 W3 BrE** ^{AmE} *British English, favor American English* /'feɪvə\$ -ər/ *noun*

1. **HELP** [countable] something that you do for someone in order to help them or be kind to them:

" Could you do me a favour and tell Kelly I can't make it?

" He hired John as a favour to his father.

Paul, can I ask you a favour?

I owed him a favour so I couldn't say no.

She helps me out when I have too much to do, and I return the favour when I can.

Do yourself a favour and make sure you get some time to yourself.

2. SUPPORT/APPROVAL [uncountable] support, approval, or agreement for something such as a plan, idea, or system in favour of something

Senior ministers spoke in favour of the proposal.

I talked to Susie about it, and she's all in favour (=completely approves) of going.

find/gain/win favour

The idea may find favour with older people.

in somebody/sth's favour

The vote was 60–59 in the government's favor.

In Sweden and other countries, nuclear power has lost favor.

look on/view/regard something with favour formal (=support something, and want to help it succeed)

Employers are more likely to look with favour on experienced candidates.

All in favour (=used when asking people to vote on something by raising a hand)?

vote/decide in favour of something (=vote or decide to support something)

288 members voted in favor of the ban.

find/rule in favour of somebody formal (=make a legal decision that supports someone)

3. POPULAR/UNPOPULAR [uncountable] when someone or something is liked or approved of by people, or not liked or approved of be in favour (with somebody)

The island is very much in favour as a holiday destination.

be out of favour (with somebody)

The stock is currently out of favor with investors.

find/gain/win favour

Radcliffe's books began to find favour with the reading public.

come/be back in favour (=become popular again)

Fountain pens have come back in favour.

fall/go out of favour (=stop being approved of)

Grammar-based teaching methods went out of favour in the 60s and 70s.

4. ADVANTAGE in sb's favour if something is in someone's favour, it gives them an advantage over someone else:

Conditions on court are very much in Williams' favour.

The new rules should actually work in your favor.

Duncan had his height and weight in his favour during the fight.

the odds are (stacked) in sb's favour (=someone has a big advantage)

5. CHOOSE SOMETHING INSTEAD do something in favour of something if you decide not to use one thing in favour of another, you choose the other one because you think it is better:

Plans for a tunnel were rejected in favour of a bridge.

6. do somebody/something no favours, not do somebody/something any favours to do something that makes someone or something look worse than they are, or that does not help at all:

Low interest rates don't do savers any favours.

7. UNFAIR SUPPORT [uncountable] support that is given to one person or group and not to others, in a way that does not seem fair:

Teachers should not show favour to any pupil.

8. do me/us a favour! British English spoken used when you are annoyed because someone has asked a silly question or done something to upset people:

Do us a favour, Mike, and shut up!

'Did you like it?' 'Do me a favour!'

9. GIFT [countable] American English a party favor

10. SEX favours [plural] old-fashioned when you allow someone to have sex with you:

She shared her sexual favours with many men.

⇒ curry favour (with somebody) at ↑curry², ⇒ without fear or favour at ↑fear¹(6), ⇒ be thankful/grateful for small favours at ↑small¹(13)

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COLLOCATIONS

■ verbs

do somebody a favour (=do something for someone) Could you do me a favour and lend me £5?

ask somebody a favour (also ask a favour of somebody formal) I felt nervous about asking Stephen a favour.

owe somebody a favour (=feel that you should do something for someone because they have done something for you) I owe you a favour for all the help you've given me.

return a favour (=do something for someone because they have done something for you) He helped me in the past and now he wanted me to return the favour.

■ adjectives

a big favour I've got a big favour to ask of you.

a great favour He acted as though he'd done us a great favour by coming.

a small/little favour Can you do me a small favour?

a special favour I agreed to deliver the parcel as a special favour to Paul.

a personal favour (=something you do specially for a particular person) As a personal favour, he let us use the hall to rehearse.

a political favour He was accused of granting political favours in return for illegal payments.

phrases

- **as a favour to somebody** (=because you want to be kind, not because you have to) She delivered the parcel as a favour to her sister.
- **do yourself a favour** (=do something good for yourself) Do yourself a favour and read as many books on the subject as possible.

II. favour² W3 BrE¹ AmE¹ British English, favor American English verb [transitive]

1. **PREFER** to prefer someone or something to other things or people, especially when there are several to choose from:

- Both countries seem to favour the agreement.
- loose clothing of the type favoured in Arab countries

favour somebody/something over somebody/something

- Florida voters favoured Bush over Gore by a very small margin.

2. **GIVE AN ADVANTAGE** to treat someone much better than someone else, in a way that is not fair:

- a tax cut that favours rich people

favour somebody over somebody

- a judicial system that favours men over women

3. **HELP** to provide suitable conditions for something to happen:

- The current economy does not favour the development of small businesses.

4. **be favoured to do something** to be expected to win or be the one that is successful:

- Silva is favoured to win a medal in the marathon.

5. **LOOK LIKE old-fashioned** to look like one of your parents or grandparents

favour somebody with something phrasal verb formal

to give someone something such as a look or reply:

- McIntosh favoured her with a smile.

favour

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