intention [in'ten[(ə)n] n

1. намерение; умысел; стремление; цель

I have no intention of going /to go/ - я не собираюсь /не намерен/ идти it wasn't my intention to hurt her - я не хотел её обидеть to do smth. without personal intentions - делать что-л, не преследуя личных целей against smb.'s intentions - вопреки чьим-л. намерениям whateverhis intentions - каковы бы ни были его намерения good in intention - а) хороший по замыслу; б) имеющий добрые намерения

2. рІ разг. намерение жениться

he has serious intentions - у него серьёзные намерения (жениться)

3. значение; смысл

4. филос. концепция, понятие, идея

5. мед. заживление раны; натяжение

healing by first intention - заживление (*раны*) первичным натяжением \Diamond good acts are better than good intentions - добрые дела лучше добрых намерений hell is paved with good intentions - благими намерениями ад вымощен

intention

in·ten·tion [intention intentions] *BrE* [ɪn'tenʃn] *NAmE* [ɪn'tenʃn] noun countable, uncountable

what you intend or plan to do; your aim

• ~ (of doing sth) | have no intention of going to the wedding.

- He left England with the intention of travelling in Africa.
- I have every intention of paying her back what I owe her.
- ~ (to do sth) He has announced his intention to retire.
- ~ (that...) It was not my intention that she should suffer.
- The original intention was to devote three months to the project.
- She's full of good intentions but they rarely work out.
- I did it with the best (of) intentions (= meaning to help), but I only succeeded in annoying them.

see also fwell intentioned, see the road to hell is paved with good intentions at froad

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Old French entencion, from Latin intentio(n-) 'stretching, purpose', from intendere 'intend, extend, direct', from in- 'towards' + tendere 'stretch, tend'.

Thesaurus:

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• Our intention is to raise public awareness of this issue.

plan · · aim · · goal · · objective · · object · · purpose · · idea · |formal law intent ·

with the intention/aim/goal/objective/object/purpose/idea of doing sth

sb's intention/plan/aim/goal/objective/purpose/idea/intent that...

have a/an intention/plan/aim/goal/objective/object/purpose/idea/intent

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Synonyms:

purpose

aim • intention • plan • point • idea

These are all words for talking about what sb/sth intends to do or achieve.

purpose • what sth is supposed to achieve; what sb is trying to achieve: • Our campaign's main purpose is to raise money.

aim • what sb is trying to achieve; what sth is supposed to achieve: = She went to London with the aim of finding a job. \diamond = Our main aim is to increase sales in Europe.

purpose or aim?

Your **purpose** for doing something is your reason for doing it; your **aim** is what you want to achieve. **Aim** can suggest that you are only trying to achieve sth; **purpose** gives a stronger sense of achievement being certain. **Aim** can be sb's aim or the aim of sth. **Purpose** is more usually the purpose of sth: you can talk about sb's purpose but that is more formal.

intention • what you intend to do: • I have no intention of going to the wedding. She's full of • good intentions • but they rarely work out.

plan • what you intend to do or achieve: • There are no plans to build new offices.

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point • (rather informal) the purpose or aim of sth: = What's the point = of all this violence? \diamond = The point of the lesson is to compare the two countries.

idea • (rather informal) the purpose of sth; sb's aim: • The whole idea of going was so that we could meet her new boyfriend. What's the idea • behind this?

point or idea?

Point is a more negative word than idea. If you say What's the point ...? you are suggesting that there is no point; if you say

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What's the idea...? you are genuinely asking a question. **Point**, but not **idea**, is used to talk about things you feel annoyed or unhappy about: There's no idea in... \bigcirc I don't see the idea of.... with the purpose/aim/intention/idea of doing sth sb's intention/plan to do sth to have a(n) purpose/aim/intention/plan/point to achieve /fulfil a(n) purpose/aim

Example Bank:

- He didn't make his intentions clear in his letter.
- His intention in inviting us to dinner was to persuade us to back his project.
- I have no intention of changing jobs.
- I went to the bank with the intention of getting some cash.
- It was done with the best intentions, I assure you.
- My original intention was to study all morning, but this turned out to be impractical.
- She may never reveal her true intentions.
- · The council has announced its intention to crack down on parking offences.
- The general intention behind the project is a good one.
- The intention by the local authority to build 2 000 new houses is unrealistic.
- The senator has announced his intention to run for the presidency.
- We have every intention of winning the next election.
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in ten tion S3 W2 /ɪn'tenʃən/ BrE AmE noun [uncountable and countable] [Word Family: adjective: intended ≠UNINTENDED, [†]intentional ≠ [†]unintentional, [†]intent; noun: [†]intent, [†]intention; verb. [†]intend; adverb [†]intentionally ≠ [†]unintentionally]

a plan or desire to do something \Rightarrow intend

- have no/every intention of doing something
 - I have no intention of retiring just yet.

They went into town with the intention of visiting the library.

intention to do something

It is our intention to be the number one distributor of health products.

good intentions/the best (of) intentions (=intentions to do something good or kind, especially when you do not succeed in doing it)

He thinks the minister is full of good intentions that won't be carried out.

- > Do not say that someone 'has no intention to do something'. Say that someone has no intention of doing something.
- ⇒ [†]well-intentioned

THESAURUS

• **purpose** the reason you do something, and the thing you want to achieve when you do it: What is the purpose of your visit to England? [The plant is used for medicinal purposes.

• aim what you want to achieve when you do something: The main aims of the project are as follows. | Their ultimate aim is to find a cure for cancer.

• goal something that you hope to achieve in the future, even though this may take a long time: It took Mandela over forty years to achieve his goal of a democratic South Africa. | the goal of ending child poverty

• objective something that you are working hard to achieve, especially in business or politics: The bank achieved its objective of increasing its share of the market. | The government's long-term objective is to cut CO2 emissions by 50%.

the object of something *formal* the specific purpose of an activity: The object of the game is to get as many points as possible. | The students will benefit, and that must be <u>the object of the exercise</u> (*=the main thing that you are trying to do*).
the point the purpose of doing something and the reason why it is right or necessary: At fourteen, I couldn't see the point of going to school. | What's the point in waiting? (*=I don't think it is useful or necessary*)

• intention the purpose that you have in your mind when you do something: He kept his real intentions well hidden. | Although we made a lot of money, this wasn't our original intention.

• ends the result that someone is trying to achieve – used especially when you disapprove of what someone is doing: They are using religion for political ends. | The ends do not justify the means (=you should not use violence, cruelty, dishonest behaviour etc to achieve your aims).

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