# [ə'ge(ı)nst] prep

указывает на

1. противодействие чему-л. или несогласие с чем-л.

# 1) против

to fight against smb., smth. - бороться против кого-л., чего-л. /с кем-л., чем-л./

to warn against smth. - предостерегать против чего-л.

to vote against smb., smth. - голосовать против кого-л., чего-л.

twenty votes against ten - двадцать голосов против десяти

are you for or against the plan? - вы поддерживаете этот план или нет?

I have nothing to say against it - мне нечего возразить против этого

#### 2) вопреки

I have trusted you against everything - я верила вам несмотря ни на что /вопреки всему/ against reason - вопреки разуму

to hope against hope - надеяться вопреки всему; не терять надежды в безнадёжном положении

#### 2. 1) движение в противоположную сторону против

to sail against the wind - плыть против ветра

against the clock - против часовой стрелки

against the sun - в сторону, противоположную движению солнца, с запада на восток

against the hair /the grain/ - a) mex. против волокна; б) против шерсти; не по вкусу, не по душе

#### 2) нахождение на противоположной стороне против

overagainst - напротив, на противоположной стороне

over against the school - прямо против школы

#### 3. местоположение около чего-л., рядом с чем-л. у

a piano stood against the wall - у стены стояло пианино

the house was built against a hill - дом был построен у самого холма

#### 4. 1) соприкосновение или столкновение с чем-л. по, о, к

the rain was beating against the window - дождь барабанил по стеклу

to throw a ball against the wall - ударять мячом о стенку

to bump against smth. - удариться обо что-л.

he struck his foot against a stone - он ушиб ногу о камень

#### 2) опору к, на

he leaned against a post - он прислонился к столбу

she was sitting up in bed propped against pillows - она сидела в кровати, обложенная подушками she drew the child close against her - она крепко прижала к себе ребёнка

## 5. фон, на котором выделяется какой-л. предмет на (фоне); по сравнению

the yellow stands out against the black - жёлтое резко выделяется на чёрном

the trees were dark against the sky - на фоне неба деревья казались тёмными

#### 6. предохранение от чего-л. от

to protect against diseases - предохранять /защищать/ от заболеваний

she shielded her face against the sun - она заслонила лицо от солнца

he wrapped in a blanket against the cold of the night - он завернулся в одеяло, чтобы ночью не замёрзнуть

#### 7. подготовку к чему-л. про, на

to save money against the rainy day - откладывать деньги про /на/ чёрный день

they bought preserves against the winter - они купили консервы на зиму

#### 8. состязание, конкуренцию, соперничество с чем-л. или с кем-л.

to run against one's own record time - пытаться улучшить собственное время (о бегуне)

#### 9. противопоставление или сравнение против (обыкн. as against)

three accidents this year as against thirty in 1964 - три несчастных случая в этом году против тридцатив 1964

# 10. 1) получение в обмен на что-л. или с записью на чей-л. счёт на, по, против

to charge against smb.'s account - ком. записывать на чей-л. счёт

payment against documents - ком. оплата по предъявлении документов, оплата против документов

a drug sold against a written prescription - лекарство, продаваемое только по рецепту

#### 2) предмет обмена на

he exchanged books against sweets - он обменял книги на конфеты

#### 11. завершение действия к определённому сроку к

against the end of the week - к концу недели

# 12. спец. в зависимости от, в функции (от)

to plot y against x - построить график функции y по аргументу x

# against

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#### preposition

For the special uses of **against** in phrasal verbs, look at the entries for the verbs. For example **count against sb** is in the phrasal verb section at **count**.

#### 1. opposing or disagreeing with sb/sth

- the fight against terrorism
- · We're playing against the league champions next week.
- · We were rowing against the current.

- That's against the law.
- She was forced to marry against her will.
- · Are you for or against the death penalty?
- She is against seeing (= does not want to see) him.
- · I'd advise you against doing that.
- 2. not to the advantage or favour of sb/sth
  - The evidence is against him.
  - Her age is against her.

compare †for prep. (7)

# 3. close to, touching or hitting sb/sth

- Put the piano there, against the wall.
- · The rain beat against the windows.

# 4. in order to prevent sth from happening or to reduce the damage caused by sth

- · an injection against rabies
- · They took precautions against fire.
- Are we insured against theft?

#### 5. with sth in the background, as a contrast

- His red clothes stood out clearly against the snow.
- (figurative) The love story unfolds against a background of civil war.

# 6. used when you are comparing two things

- You must weigh the benefits against the cost.
- · Check your receipts against the statement.
- What's the rate of exchange against the dollar?

see as against sth at has conjugate the cards/odds are stacked against you at has stacked

#### Word Origin:

[against] Middle English: from †again + -s (adverbialgenitive) + -t probably by association with superlatives (as in amongst).

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# against

# a gainst S1 W1 /ə'genst, ə'genst \$ ə'genst/ BrE AmE preposition

[Date: 1300-1400; Origin: againes 'against' (11-16 centuries), from again]

1.

#### a) used to say that someone opposes or disagrees with something:

Every council member voted against the proposal.

- those who are campaigning against the new road
- He advised me against travelling.
- Mr Howard has declared that he is against all forms of racism.
- the fight against terrorism

#### **b)** used to say that an action is not wanted or approved of by someone:

They got married <u>against</u> her parents' <u>wishes</u> (=although they knew her parents did not want them to).

- She has been kept in the house <u>against</u> her <u>will</u> (=she does not want to stay in the house).
- The use of certain drugs is against the law (=illegal).
- " It's against my principles to borrow money (=I do not believe it is right).

# c) used to say that something is not allowed by a law or rule:

There ought to be a law against it.

# 2. used to say who someone is competing with or trying to defeat in a game, battle etc:

- Gambotti was injured in last Saturday's game against the Lions.
- We'll be competing against the best companies in Europe.

## 3. used to say who is harmed, threatened, or given a disadvantage:

- violence against elderly people
- crimes against humanity
- discrimination against women
- There had been death threats against prison staff.
- Your lack of experience could count against you.
- The regulations tend to work against smaller companies.

## **4**. used to say that something touches, hits, or rubs a surface:

- the sound of the rain drumming against my window
- The car skidded and we could hear the crunch of metal against metal.

# 5. next to and touching an upright surface, especially for support:

- There was a ladder propped up against the wall.
- The younger policeman was leaning against the bureau with his arms folded.

# 6. in the opposite direction to the movement or flow of something OPP with:

- sailing against the wind
- She dived down and swam out strongly against the current.

# **7**. seen with something else behind or as a background:

- He could see a line of figures silhouetted against the sky.
- It is important to know what colours look good against your skin.
- **8**. used to show that you are considering particular events in relation to other events that are happening at the same time:
  - The reforms were introduced against a background of social unrest.

# a cream to protect against sunburn a vaccine which is effective against pneumonia 11. used to say who is said or shown to have done something wrong: He has always emphatically denied the allegations against him. The evidence against you is overwhelming. 12. be/come up against somebody/something to have to deal with a difficult opponent or problem: You see, this is what we're up against – the suppliers just aren't reliable. 13. have something against somebody/something to dislike or disapprove of someone or something: I don't have anything against babies. I just don't feel very comfortable with them. against Freakuency Pack 12500 159 MCW 15000 194 COCA RANGE: 1k AGAINST 218609 against 218609 COCA 500k Unlemmatized <sub>75835</sub>**164**<sup>218295</sup> ii <sub>207</sub>**48696**<sup>234</sup> *ii***22** <sub>37</sub>127021<sup>37</sup> nn1 <sub>30</sub>137284<sup>32</sup> jj

**9.** used to say what you are comparing something with: The pound has fallen 10% against the dollar.

insurance against accident and sickness

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She checked the contents of the box against the list.

The cost of the proposed research needs to be balanced against its benefits.

10. used to say who or what you are trying to protect someone or something from: