never Apresyan (En-Ru) ['nevə] adv 1. никогда neverbefore - никогда ещё I shall neverforget it - я этого никогда не забуду one neverknows - никогда не знаешь, что будет завтра he was neverseen again - больше его не видели never was a woman more unhappy - более несчастной женщины свет не видал 2. ни разу he never so much as smiled - он даже ни разу не улыбнулся 3. эмоц.-усил. нисколько, никоим образом nevera one - ни один nevera whit - ни капли, ни на йоту he answered nevera word - он ни слова не ответил he is neverthe wiser for his experience - пережитое не пошло ему на пользу neverfear - не беспокойтесь, будьте уверены that will neverdo - это не годится; так поступать нельзя; так дело не пойдёт whateverI do, it's neverenough - что бы я ни делал - всё мало why did you sign the document? - But I never did! - почему вы подписали этот документ? - Да я и не думал подписывать /вовсе и не подписывал/! he never came back - он так и не вернулся, больше его не видели you neverleft the key in the lock! - неужели тебя угораздило оставить ключ в замке?! 4. в грам. знач. междометия не может быть!, да ну?! he ate the whole turkey. - Never! - он съел целую индейку. - Не может быть! 5. (never-) как компонент сложных слов не-, без-, никогда never-fading- неувядаемый never-dying - бессмертный never-enough-to-be-regretted-такой, о котором никогда не перестанут сожалеть; незабвенный ⊘ nevermind - ничего, пустяки, не обращайте внимания neverso - как бы ни; сколь бы ни be it neverso great - как бы оно ни было велико well, I never!, I neverdid! - первый раз слышу /вижу/ такое!, вот те на!, вот так так!, ну и ну! neversay die - ≅ не сдавайся, не складывай оружия; не отчаивайтесь neveris a long day /word/ - ≅ так уж и никогда (в ответ на мрачное предсказание); это мы ещё посмотрим; не закаивайтесь

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(на веки вечные)

never

never adverb exclamation *BrE* ['nevə()) *NAmE* ['nevə] adverb

1. not at any time; not on any occasion

- You neverhelp me.
- He has neverbeen abroad.
- 'Would you vote for him?' 'Never.'
- 'I work for a company called Orion Technology.' 'Never heard of them.'
- Never in all my life have I seen such a horrible thing.
- Never ever tell anyone your password.
- **2.** used to emphasize a negative statement instead of 'not'
- I never knew (= didn't know until now) you had a twin sister.
- I neverrealized just how easy it is.
- (especially BrE) Someone might find out, and that would never do (= that is not acceptable) .
- He never so much as smiled (= did not smile even once) .
- (especially BrE) 'I told my boss exactly what I thought of her.' 'You neverdid!' (= 'Surely you didn't!')
- (BrE, slang) 'You took my bike.' 'No, I never.'
- (old-fashioned or humorous) Never fear (= Do not worry) , everything will be all right.

Word Origin:

Old English næ⊡fre, from ne 'not' + æ⊡fre 'ever'. Idioms: [†]Well, I never! ■ [†]on the never-never

exclamation (informal)

used to show that you are very surprised about sth because you do not believe it is possible

• 'I got the job.' 'Never!'

see nevermind at \uparrow mind $_{v}$.

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nev er S1 W1 /'nevə\$ -ər/ BrE * AmE * adverb

[Language: Old English; Origin: næfre, from ne- 'not' + æfre 'ever]

1. not at any time, or not once:

- He's neverbeen to Australia.
 - I'm nevergoing back there again, not as long as I live.
- " It is nevertoo late to give up smoking.

neverhad/did/was etc

Neverhad she been so confused.

neverever (=used to emphasize what you are saying)

I'll neverever forgive him for leaving me.

Neveragain (=never after a particular time) would he return to Naples.

neverin all my life (=used to emphasize how bad something was)

Neverin all my life have I felt so humiliated.

neverfor one moment (=used to emphasize that you never thought something)

^{*} She had never for one moment imagined that it could happen to her.

somebody/something has neverbeen known to do something (=used to say that something is strange because it has never happened before)

Max had neverbeen known to leave home without telling anyone.

GRAMMAR

Do not use another negative word (eg 'not') with **never**. If you use 'not', use **ever**:

- She might neverforgive you OR She might not everforgive you (NOT She might not neverforgive you).
- 2. you never know spoken used to say that something which seems unlikely may happen:
 - Try it! You never know, you might be lucky.
- **3.** I never knew (that) *spoken* used to mean that you did not know something until now: I neverknew you played the guitar!
- 4. never so much as used to emphasize that someone did not do something, especially when this seems surprising: I do everything for him, and he's never so much as made me a cup of coffee.
- 5. that would/will never do spoken used to say that you would not want something to happen:
 - * Someone might discover our secret and that would never do.
- 6. never! British English spoken used when you are very surprised by something:
 - 'They're getting married next month.' 'Never!'
 - He's nevergoing to cycle all the way to Manchester!
 - Well I never! I wouldn't have thought she was that old!

7. (no) I never! British English spoken used to say that you did not do something bad that someone has said you did. Many teachers think this is not correct English:

'You cheated, didn't you?' 'No, I never.'

8. never say never *informal* used to say that you should not say that you will never something, because there is always a small possibility that you might do it

9. never say die used to encourage someone not to give up

10. never fear spoken old-fashioned used to tell someone not to worry:

She'll be back, neverfear.

⇒ never the twain shall meet at [↑]twain(2)

THESAURUS

• never not at any time, or not once: Ali had neverseen snow before. | I'll neverforget that day.

• never ever spoken used to emphasize that you mean never: Do you promise neverever to tell anyone else about this?

• not once used to emphasize that you are surprised or annoyed because someone neverdid something: She's neversaid thank you – not once. | Jo hasn't emailed me once in six months.

• not/never for a moment used to emphasize that you neverhad a particular thought or idea: 'Did you ever suspect he was cheating on you?' 'No, not for a moment.' | Not for one moment did she think it was a trap.

• not/never in a million years *spoken* used to say that it is completely impossible that something could ever happen: Dad will never agree to that – not in a million years!

• at no time *formal* used to emphasize that something never happened: At no time did anyone suggest that the drug was dangerous. | At no time were the prisoners mistreated.

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