

seriously

[ˈsɪ(ə)rɪəsli] *adv*

1. серьёзно, всерьёз
seriously speaking - говоря серьёзно
don't take the matter (too) seriously - не принимайте это дело (слишком) всерьёз
2. опасно
the seriously wounded - *воен.* тяжелораненые
he is seriously ill - он опасно болен, его болезнь внушает опасения
3. (*как вводное слово*) говоря серьёзно
but seriously, what will you do? - но, говоря серьёзно, что вы будете делать?

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ser-ious-ly [seriously] *BrE* [ˈsɪəriəsli] [ⓘ] *NAmE* [ˈsɪriəsli] [ⓘ] *adverb*

1. in a serious way
 - to be **seriously ill/injured**
 - You're not seriously expecting me to believe that?
 - They are seriously concerned about security.
 - Smoking can seriously damage your health.
2. used at the beginning of a sentence to show a change from joking to being more serious
 - Seriously though, it could be really dangerous.
3. (*informal*) very, extremely
 - They're seriously rich.

I *idiom* [↑]take somebody seriously

Example Bank:

- The research group's findings need to be considered seriously.
- They're no help at all— they're refusing to take the problem seriously.
- You need to think seriously about your next career move.

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se-ri-ous-ly *S2 W2* /ˈsɪəriəsli \$ ˈsɪr-/ *BrE* [ⓘ] *AmE* [ⓘ] *adverb*

[*Word Family*: *noun*: [↑]seriousness; *adverb*: [↑]seriously; *adjective*: [↑]serious]

1. very much or to a great degree
seriously ill/injured/damaged etc
 - Was she seriously hurt?
 - I 'm seriously worried about Ben.
 - Something was seriously wrong.
2.
 - a) in a way that is not joking, especially because something is important:
 - I t'sime we talked seriously about our relationship.
 - b) [*sentence adverb*] *spoken* used to show that what you say next is not a joke:
 - Seriously though, I think Toby likes you.
3. **take somebody/something seriously** to believe that someone or something is worth your attention or respect:
 - As a teacher, it's important that the kids take you seriously.
 - I t'only a joke – don't take it seriously!
4. **seriously?** *spoken* used to ask someone if they really mean what they have just said:
 - 'The job's yours.' 'Seriously?'
 - . . .

COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **seriously ill** Her mother is seriously ill in hospital.
- **seriously injured/hurt/wounded** He was seriously injured in a car accident on Friday.
- **seriously damaged** His reputation had been seriously damaged.
- **seriously affected** A number of bird sanctuaries were seriously affected by the oil spill.
- **seriously flawed** (=having a bad weakness or fault) From the outset, this project was seriously flawed.
- **seriously wrong** I was worried there was something seriously wrong with me.
- **seriously worried** Hazel was now seriously worried.

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