

welcome

1. ['welkəm] *n*

- 1. приём (*гостя*); гостеприимство
warm [cool /qualified/, enthusiastic] welcome - горячий [сдержанный, восторженный] приём
to find a ready welcome - быть радушно принятым
they were accorded a hearty welcome - им был оказан сердечный приём
to overstay one's welcome - злоупотреблять гостеприимством, надоедать хозяевам (*о госте*)

2. приветствие

to bid welcome - приветствовать (*гостя*)

2. ['welkəm] *a*

- 1. желанный, приятный, долгожданный
welcome guest - желанный /дорогой/ гость
welcome letter [news, rest] - долгожданное письмо [известие, -ый отдых]
welcome gift - ценный для кого-л. подарок
welcome suggestion - удачное /уместное, приемлемое/ предложение
he is always welcome in our home - мы всегда ему рады
to make smb. welcome - радушно принять кого-л.

2. (to) *predic*

- 1) имеющий право *или* разрешение сделать что-л., воспользоваться чем-л.
you are welcome to any book in my library - можете взять любую книгу из моей библиотеки
you are welcome to (use) my car - мой автомобиль к вашим услугам
- 2) *упр.* вольный, вправе сделать что-л.
he is welcome to it /to try/ - пусть попытается сделать это
you are welcome to your opinion - можете оставаться при своём мнении, думайте, что хотите
he is welcome to any illusion he may have - он волен питать какие угодно иллюзии
◇ you are welcome - пожалуйста (*в ответ на выражение благодарности*)

3. ['welkəm] *v*

- 1. приветствовать (*гостя*); радушно принимать
to welcome smb. at one's home - радушно принимать кого-л. у себя (в доме)
- 2. приветствовать одобрять
to welcome a suggestion - приветствовать предложение
- 3. (by, with) встретить (*чем-л.*)
to welcome with a hail of bullets - встретить градом пуль

4. ['welkəm] *int*

добро пожаловать!, милости просим!
welcome to Edinburgh! - добро пожаловать в Эдинбург!

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wel-come [welcome welcomes welcomed welcoming] *verb, adjective, noun, exclamation* *BrE* ['welkəm] ^o *NAmE* ['welkəm] ^o
verb

- 1. **transitive, intransitive** to say hello to sb in a friendly way when they arrive somewhere
 - ~ (sb) They were at the door to welcome us.
 - a welcoming smile
 - ~ sb to sth It is a pleasure to welcome you to our home.
- 2. **transitive** ~ sb to be pleased that sb has come or has joined an organization, activity, etc
 - They **welcomed** the new volunteers **with open arms** (= with enthusiasm) .
- 3. **transitive** ~ sth to be pleased to receive or accept sth
 - I'd welcome any suggestions.
 - I **warmly welcome** this decision.
 - In general, the changes they had made were to be welcomed.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	welcome
	<i>BrE</i> / 'welkəm/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'welkəm/
he / she / it	welcomes
	<i>BrE</i> / 'welkəmz/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'welkəmz/
past simple, past participle	welcomed
	<i>BrE</i> / 'welkəmd/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'welkəmd/
-ing form	welcoming
	<i>BrE</i> / 'welkəmɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> / 'welkəmɪŋ/

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Example Bank:

- Economists cautiously welcomed the president's initiative.
- Foreign bankers and economists cautiously welcomed the minister's initiative.
- He welcomed us into the club.
- If you visit our town you will be warmly welcomed.
- Many companies have warmly welcomed these changes in legislation.
- The proposals have been widely welcomed.
- The school is preparing to welcome the new intake of students.
- The whole family turned out to welcome him back.
- We are delighted to welcome you to our company.
- We positively welcome applications from all sections of the community.
- I'd welcome any suggestions.
- She gave me a welcoming smile.
- They welcomed the new volunteers with open arms.

Idioms: †outstay your welcome ▪ †you're welcome

adjective

1. that you are pleased to have, receive, etc
 - a welcome sight
 - Your letter was very welcome.
 - The fine weather **made a welcome change** .
2. (of people) accepted or wanted somewhere
 - Children are always welcome at the hotel.
 - Our neighbours **made us welcome** as soon as we arrived
 - I had the feeling we were not welcome at the meeting.
 - a welcome guest
3. ~ to do sth (informal) used to say that you are happy for sb to do sth if they want to
 - They're welcome to stay here as long as they like.
 - You're welcome to use the pool.
4. ~ to sth (informal) used to say that you are very happy for sb to have sth because you definitely do not want it
 - It's an awful job. If you want it, you're **welcome to it** !

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Example Bank:

- He made it plain that Holman's interest in his business affairs was not entirely welcome.
- New members are welcome to the club.
- The 1% rate cut is extremely welcome.
- They made us very welcome in their home.
- Visitors are always welcome.
- You are perfectly welcome to stay here, if you don't mind the mess.
- You are perfectly welcome to stay here: I can't offer five-star accommodation, that's all.
- You would be a most welcome guest.

noun

1. **countable, uncountable** something that you do or say to sb when they arrive, especially sth that makes them feel you are happy to see them
 - Thank you for your **warm welcome** .
 - The winners were **given an** enthusiastic **welcome** when they arrived home.
 - a **speech/smile of welcome**
 - to receive a **hero's welcome**
2. **countable** the way that people react to sth, which shows their opinion of it
 - This new comedy deserves a **warm welcome** .
 - The proposals were **given a** cautious **welcome** by the trade unions.

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- A big welcome to our special guest, James Greenan.
- A warm welcome awaits you at this family-run hotel.
- Sensing that he had outstayed his welcome, he quickly left.
- Sensing that he had outstayed his welcome, he quickly said his goodbyes and left.
- She got a hero's welcome on her return from the Olympics.
- She held out her arms in welcome.
- Thank you for those words of welcome.
- The audience gave the band a rousing welcome.

- The proposal received a cautious welcome from the Opposition.
- The proposals have been given a broad welcome by green campaigners.
- They received a cold welcome to their new home.
- Ellen received a hero's welcome on returning to her home town.
- Her wrinkled face broke into a smile of welcome.
- Thank you for your warm welcome.
- This new comedy deserves a warm welcome.

exclamation used as a **↑greeting** to tell sb that you are pleased that they are there

- Welcome home!
- Welcome to Oxford!
- Good evening everybody. Welcome to the show!

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I. **wel** **come** ¹ **S2 W2** /'welkəm/ *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ **verb** [transitive]

[Word Family: adjective: **↑welcome** ≠ **↑unwelcome**, **↑welcoming**; verb: **↑welcome**; noun: **↑welcome**]

1. to say hello in a friendly way to someone who has just arrived **SYN greet**:

- I must be there to welcome my guests.
- They welcomed us warmly.
- His family welcomed me with open arms (=in a very friendly way).

2. to be glad to accept something:

- The college welcomes applications from people of all races.
- We would welcome any advice or suggestions with open arms.

3. to be glad that something has happened because you think it is a good idea:

- Economists have welcomed the decision to raise interest rates.

II. **welcome** ² **S2 W3** *BrE* ² *AmE* ² **adjective**

[Word Family: adjective: **↑welcome** ≠ **↑unwelcome**, **↑welcoming**; verb: **↑welcome**; noun: **↑welcome**]

1. if someone is welcome in a place, other people are glad that they are there:

- I had the feeling I wasn't really welcome.
- I didn't feel welcome in the club.
- Mary made us very welcome.
- We try to make the new students feel welcome.

2. if something is welcome, you enjoy it because you feel that you need it:

- The weekend was a welcome break from the pressures of work.
- Six months in Scotland would make a welcome change from London.
- A cup of tea would be very welcome.

3. if something is welcome, you are glad that it has happened:

- The increase in interest rates is welcome news for investors.
- This new funding will come as a welcome boost for the industry.

4. **be welcome to something** *spoken* used to say that someone can have something if they want it, because you certainly do not want it:

- If you want to take the job you're welcome to it!

5. **be welcome to do something** *spoken* used to invite someone to do something if they would like to:

- You're welcome to stay for lunch.

6. **you're welcome!** *spoken* a polite way of replying to someone who has just thanked you for something:

- 'Thanks for the coffee.' 'You're welcome.'

III. **welcome** ³ *BrE* ³ *AmE* ³ **noun** [singular]

[Word Family: adjective: **↑welcome** ≠ **↑unwelcome**, **↑welcoming**; verb: **↑welcome**; noun: **↑welcome**]

1. the way in which you greet someone when they arrive at a place

warm/friendly welcome

- His colleagues gave him a very warm welcome when he returned to work.
- You can be sure of a friendly welcome at all our hotels.
- The president got a tremendous welcome at the airport.

2. the way in which people react to an idea, and show that they like it or do not like it:

- Politicians have given an enthusiastic welcome to the Queen's speech.
- The proposals have so far received a cautious welcome from government ministers.

3. **outstay/overstay your welcome** to stay at someone's house longer than they want you to

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COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **a warm/friendly welcome** You can be sure of a warm welcome.
- **a big welcome** They had planned a big welcome for Martin.
- **a great welcome** (=a big or good welcome) Visitors were given a great welcome.
- **a rapturous welcome** (=a very pleased and excited one) He returned to his homeland to a rapturous welcome in 1996

- **a tumultuous welcome** (=a very noisy one from a crowd) The Pope received a tumultuous welcome.
- **a rousing welcome** (=a noisy welcome that shows approval) The audience gave the band a rousing welcome.
- **a hearty welcome** (=a happy and sincere welcome) The owner offers a hearty welcome to guests.

■ verbs

- **give somebody a welcome** The Queen was given a decent welcome by the crowd.
- **get/receive a welcome** He received a warm welcome.
- **extend/accord somebody a welcome** *formal* (=give someone a welcome) Staff and students extended a warm welcome to visiting parents.

■ phrases

- **a smile of welcome** His wrinkled face broke into a smile of welcome.
- **a speech of welcome** The Mayor made a brief speech of welcome.

IV. **welcome** ⁴ *BrE* ⁴ *AmE* ⁴ *interjection*

[*Language*: Old English; *Origin*: wilcume, from wilcuma 'person you are glad to have as a guest', from willa (⇒ ↑will²) + cuma 'someone who comes'; influenced by well]

used to greet someone who has just arrived

welcome to

- Welcome to London!
- Welcome back – it's good to see you again.
- Hello, welcome home.

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