

priority[praɪˈɒrɪti] *n*

1. 1) приоритет, старшинство, первенство
priority share - *фин.* привилегированная акция
priority of invention - приоритет в изобретении
creditor by priority - *юр.* привилегированный кредитор
- 2) преимущественное право (*мж.* priority right(s), right of priority)
to rank in priority with /to/ smb., smth., to have /to take/ priority over /of/ smb., smth. - пользоваться преимуществом перед кем-л., чем-л. [*см. мж.* 2, 1]]
2. 1) предшествование
to have /to take/ priority over /of/ smb., smth. - предшествовать кому-л., чему-л. [*см. мж.* 1, 2]]
- 2) порядок очередности, очередность; срочность
first /top/ priority - первоочередность
of high /top/ priority - первоочередной, неотложный, срочный (*о задаче и т. п.*)
high priority measures - первоочередные задачи; неотложные мероприятия
priority message [printing, mail] - срочное /внеочередное/ донесение [выполнение заказов на типографские работы, почтовое отправление]
priority target - *воен.* цель первой очереди
priority of work - порядок срочности работ
on a priority basis - на основании установленной очередности
to observe the rules of priority - соблюдать правила очередности
to establish an order of priority - установить порядок /очередности/ вопросов (*повестки дня*)
to define one's priorities - определить свои приоритеты
to give priority to smth. - а) придавать, уделять первостепенное значение чему-л.; we must give top priority to housing - мы должны в первую очередь /в первую голову/ заняться решением жилищной проблемы; б) устанавливать очередность (*работ и т. п.*)
3. право преимущественного движения (*автомобилей*), очередность проезда

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prɪ-ɔr-ɪ-ti **AW** [priority priorities] **BrE** [praɪˈɒrɪti] ¹ **NAmE** [praɪˈɔrɪti] ² **noun**(pl. **prɪ-ɔr-ɪ-ti-ɪ-z**)

1. **countable** something that you think is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
 - a **high/low priority**
 - Education is a **top priority**.
 - Our **first priority** is to improve standards.
 - Financial security was high on his **list of priorities**.
 - You need to **get your priorities right** (= decide what is important to you).
 - (NAmE) You need to **get your priorities straight**.
2. **uncountable** ~ (**over sth**) the most important place among various things that have to be done or among a group of people
Syn: ↑precedence
 - Club members will be **given priority**.
 - The search for a new vaccine will **take priority over** all other medical research.
 - Priority cases, such as homeless families, get dealt with first.
3. **uncountable** (BrE) the right of a vehicle to go before other traffic at a particular place on a road
Syn: ↑right of way
 - Buses have priority at this junction.

Word Origin:

late Middle English (denoting precedence in time or rank): from Old French **priorite**, from medieval Latin **prioritas**, from Latin **prior** 'former', related to **prae** 'before'.

Thesaurus:**priority** **noun** C, U

- Her family takes priority over her work.

precedence • • **emphasis** • • **stress** •priority/precedence **over** sb/sth(a) **particular/special/equal** priority/emphasis/stress**give** sb/sth priority/precedence/emphasis

Priority or precedence? People or things usually **take precedence** on the basis of rank; they are **given priority** on the basis of need

- The speakers came onto the platform in order of precedence.
- Homeless families will be given priority.

Example Bank:

- Her family takes priority over her work.
- List the tasks in order of priority.
- Material possessions have always been a low priority for Mike.
- The bank seems to give priority to new customers.
- The government is giving priority to school leavers in its job-creation programme.

- To reduce stress you may have to rethink your priorities in life.
- Using the Internet is one of the company's top strategic priorities.
- We assign a high priority to research and development
- We need to place a higher priority on family and social issues.
- When hospital funds are being allocated children take priority.
- You need to sort out your priorities before making a decision about the future.
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- a high/low priority

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I. **priority**¹ **S2 W2 AC** /praɪ'ɒrɪti, praɪ'ɒrɪti \$ -'ɔɪr-BrE[Ⓜ] AmE[Ⓜ] noun (plural **priorities**)

[Word Family: noun: ↑priority, ↑prioritization; verb: ↑prioritize]

1. **[uncountable and countable]** the thing that you think is most important and that needs attention before anything else:
 - The club's priority is to win the League.

first/top/main priority

- The children are our first priority.
- After several burglaries in the area, security is now a high priority (=very important and needing attention soon).
- With so little money available, repairs must remain a low priority (=not important and not needing attention soon).
- The customer is high on our list of priorities.
- List your tasks in order of priority (=most important first).

2. **[uncountable]** the right to be given attention first and before other people or things

priority over

- Buses should have priority over other road users.
- A young person who has finished the course will be given priority over one who has not.
- I want to start work on the garden but the house must take priority.

3. **get your priorities right** (also **get your priorities straight** *American English*) to know what is most important and needs attention first:

- We need to get our priorities right.
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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

■ adjectives

- **a high priority** (=very important) Right now, the environment is a high priority.
- **an urgent priority** He sees these negotiations as an urgent priority.
- **a low priority** (=not very important) At that time, architecture was a low priority.
- **the top/main/number one priority** Controlling spending is his top priority.
- **the first priority** The first priority for most unemployed people is obtaining a job.
- **the overriding priority** (=the most important one) The reduction of inflation must be the Government's overriding priority.
- **sb's immediate priority** (=which must be dealt with immediately) Their immediate priority was to find somewhere to sleep that night.

■ phrases

- **a list/set of priorities** Marriage isn't very high on my list of priorities.
- **in order of priority** (=with the most important first) They asked voters to list issues in order of priority.

■ verbs

- **set priorities** (=decide what the priorities are) With any new project, it's important to set priorities.
- **sort out your priorities** (=decide which things are the most important as a way of dealing with a situation) If you've got a lot of things to do, sort out your priorities.
- **make something a priority** Lisa had a job, but she'd always made her family the priority.
- **sb's priorities change** As you get older, your priorities may change.
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COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

■ verbs

- **have priority** Couples may have to decide whose career has priority.
- **get priority** The breakdown services say that women on their own get priority.
- **take priority** (=become the most important thing) Winning the war took priority over everything else.
- **give priority to somebody/something** The hospital always gives priority to emergency cases.

II. **priority**² *BrE*[Ⓜ] *AmE*[Ⓜ] adjective

before other people or things:

- Members receive priority bookings and reduced ticket prices to all concerts.

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