

**elderly**['eldəli] *a*

1. пожилой, преклонного возраста
2. в грам. знач. суц. престарелые

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**eld-er-ly** BrE ['eldəli] <sup>m</sup> NAmE ['eldərlɪ] <sup>m</sup> adjective

1. (of people) used as a polite word for 'old'
  - an elderly couple
  - elderly relatives
2. **the elderly** noun plural people who are old

Thesaurus:**elderly** [elderly] adj.

• She is busy caring for two elderly relatives.

**old** • • **mature** • |formal **aged** •**Opp:** younga/an elderly/old/mature/aged **man/woman/gentleman/lady/couple**sb's elderly/old/aged **father/mother/aunt/uncle/relative**Synonyms:**old**

elderly • aged • long-lived • mature

These words all describe sb/sth that has lived for a long time or that usually lives for a long time.

**old** • having lived for a long time; no longer young: ▫ She's getting old— she's 75 next year.**elderly** • (rather formal) used as a polite word for 'old': ▫ She is very busy caring for two elderly relatives.**aged** • (formal) very old: ▫ Having aged relatives to stay in your house can be quite stressful.**long-lived** • having a long life; lasting for a long time: ▫ Everyone in my family is exceptionally long-lived**mature** • used as a polite or humorous way of saying that sb is no longer young: ▫ clothes for the mature womana(n) old/elderly/aged/long-lived/mature **man/woman**a(n) old/elderly/aged/mature **gentleman/lady/couple**Example Bank:

- Her parents are quite elderly now.
- She is very busy caring for two elderly relatives.
- The local council provides services to care for elderly people living at home.

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**el|der|ly** S3 W2 /'eldəli \$ 'eldərlɪ/ BrE <sup>m</sup> AmE <sup>m</sup> adjective

1. used as a polite way of saying that someone is old or becoming old:
  - a well-dressed elderly woman
2. **the elderly** people who are old:
  - a retirement village for the elderly
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**THESAURUS**■ **person**

- **old** having lived for a long time: an old man | I'm too old to learn a new language.
- **elderly** a polite word for old: an elderly lady | a home for the elderly (=elderly people) | If you are elderly, you may be eligible for financial assistance.
- **aging** (also **ageing** *British English*) [only before noun] becoming old: an ageing rock star | the problems of an ageing population
- **aged** /'eɪdʒəd, 'eɪdʒɪd/ [only before noun] *written* aged relatives are very old: aged parents | She had to look after her aged aunt.
- **elder brother/sister** *especially British English* [only before noun] an older brother or sister. **Elder** sounds more formal than **older**: I have two elder brothers.
- **ancient** [not usually before noun] *informal* very old – used humorously: I'll be 30 next year – it sounds really ancient!
- **be getting on (in years)** *informal* to be fairly old: He's 60 now, so he's getting on a bit.
- **be over the hill** (also **be past it** *British English*) *informal* to be too old to do something: Everyone thinks you're past it when you get to 40.
- **geriatric** [only before noun] relating to medical care and treatment for old people: a geriatric hospital | geriatric patients

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