

# territory

[ˈterɪ(ə)rɪ] *n*

1. территория  
inviolable [mandated, trust] territory - неприкосновенная [подмандатная, подопечная] территория  
the Free Territory of Trieste - *уст.* свободная территория Триест
2. земля, местность, район  
fertile territory - плодородная местность  
to map an unexplored territory from the air - картографировать неисследованные области с воздуха  
much territory in northern Africa is desert - большие пространства северной Африки представляют собой пустыни
3. (Territory) территория (административная единица в США, Канаде, Австралии, не имеющая прав штата или провинции)
4. район действий коммивояжера
5. участок, занимаемый данной особью (у высших животных)
6. 1) поле деятельности  
this is more familiar territory - это более знакомая почва; ≅ здесь я чувствую себя уверенней  
2) область, сфера (знаний, науки)  
the territory of physics [of biology] - область физики [биологии]
7. *спорт.*  
1) половина поля (той или иной футбольной или хоккейной команды)  
2) зона  
defensive territory - зона защиты

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ter-ri-tory [territory territories] *BrE* [ˈterətri] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE* [ˈterətɔːrɪ] <sup>ˈ</sup> noun (pl.

ter-ri-tories)

1. **countable, uncountable** land that is under the control of a particular country or ruler
    - **enemy/disputed/foreign territory**
    - occupied territories
    - They have refused to allow UN troops to be stationed in their territory.
  2. **countable, uncountable** an area that one person, group, animal, etc. considers as their own and defends against others who try to enter it
    - Mating blackbirds will defend their territory against intruders.
    - (figurative) This type of work is **uncharted territory** for us.
    - (figurative) Legal problems are Andy's territory (= he deals with them) .
    - She seems to regard that end of the office as her territory.
    - Each of these gangs has its own territory.
  3. **countable, uncountable** an area of a town, country, etc. that sb has responsibility for in their work or another activity
    - Our representatives cover a very large territory.
  4. **uncountable** a particular type of land
    - unexplored territory
  5. (also **Territory**) **countable** a country or an area that is part of the US, Australia or Canada but is not a state or ↑**province**
    - Guam and American Samoa are US territories.
- more at** on neutral ground/territory **at** ↑**neutral** *adj.*
- I** *idiom* ↑**go with the territory**

## Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **territorium**, from **terra** 'land'. The word originally denoted the district surrounding and under the jurisdiction of a town or city, specifically a Roman or provincial city.

## Collocations:

### War and peace

#### Starting a war

**declare /make/wage** war (on sb/sth)  
**go to war** (against/with sb)  
**cause/spark/provoke/foment/quell** unrest  
**incite/lead/crush/suppress** a revolt/rebellion  
**launch/mount/carry out** a surprise/terrorist attack  
**prevent/halt/represent** an escalation of the conflict  
**be torn apart by/be on the brink of** civil war  
**enter/invade/occupy** sb's territory  
**lead/launch/resist/repel** an invasion

#### Military operations

**adopt/develop/implement/pursue** a military strategy  
**carry out/execute/perform** military operations/manoeuvres (*especially US*) maneuvers  
**send/deploy/station/pull back/withdraw** troops  
**go on/fly/carry out** a reconnaissance/rescue mission  
**train/equip/deploy** army/military/combat units  
**lead/launch/conduct** a raid/a surprise attack/an (air/airborne/amphibious) assault (on sb)  
**employ/use** guerrilla tactics

**conduct/wage** biological/guerrilla warfare  
**fight/crush/defeat** the rebels/the insurgency  
**suffer/inflict** a crushing defeat  
**achieve /win** a decisive victory  
**halt/stop** the British/German/Russian advance  
**order/force** a retreat

#### *Fighting*

**join/serve in** the army/navy/air force  
**be/go/remain /serve** on active duty  
**serve/complete /return from** a tour of duty  
**be sent** to the front (line)  
**attack/strike/engage /defeat/kill/destroy** the enemy  
**see/report/be engaged in** heavy fighting  
**call for/be met with** armed resistance  
**come under** heavy/machine-gun/mortar fire  
**fire** a machine-gun/mortar shells/rockets (at sb/sth)  
**shoot** a rifle/a pistol/bullets/missiles  
**launch/fire** a cruise/ballistic/anti-tank missile  
**use** biological/chemical/nuclear weapons  
**inflict/suffer/sustain** heavy losses/casualties  
**be hit/killed by** enemy/friendly/artillery fire  
**become/be held as** a prisoner of war

#### *Civilians in war*

**harm/kill/target/protect** innocent/unarmed civilians  
**cause/avoid/limit/minimize** civilian casualties/collateral damage  
**impose/enforce/lift** a curfew  
**engage in/be a victim of** ethnic cleansing  
**be sent to** an internment/a concentration camp  
**accept/house/resettle** refugees fleeing from war  
**fear/threaten** military/violent reprisals  
**commit/be accused of** war crimes/crimes against humanity/genocide

#### *Making peace*

**make/bring/win/achieve /maintain /promote** peace  
**call for/negotiate/broker/declare** a ceasefire/a temporary truce  
**sign** a ceasefire agreement  
**call for/bring/put an end to** hostilities  
**demand /negotiate /accept** the surrender of sb/sth  
**establish/send (in)** a peacekeeping force  
**negotiate /conclude/ratify/sign/accept/reject/break/violate** a peace treaty

#### Example Bank:

- The explorers set off to conquer new territories.
- The male establishes a territory and attracts a female.
- The parties have been staking out their territory on education.
- The plane was shot down while overflying enemy territory.
- The soldiers strayed into hostile territory.
- The territory had been controlled by Azerbaijan for many years.
- The territory was never densely settled.
- The writer is back on home territory with his latest novel
- Tired of writing detective novels, she began to explore new territory.
- Troops were stationed on sovereign German territory.
- a UN trust territory administered by New Zealand
- a town in British-occupied territory
- former French territories
- Legal problems are Joseph's territory.
- The killings had set off widespread rioting in the occupied territories.
- Their incursion into foreign territory is a clear act of aggression.
- There are reports of heavy fighting in the disputed territory.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**territory** **W2** /'terətəri, 'terɪtəri \$ -tɔɹi BrE " AmE " *noun* (plural **territories**)

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: territorium 'land around a town', from terra; ⇨ terrace]

**1. GOVERNMENT/MILITARY** [uncountable and countable] land that is owned or controlled by a particular country, ruler, or military force:

" Hong Kong became Chinese territory in 1997.

**occupied/enemy/disputed/hostile territory**

" The plane was flying over enemy territory.

**2. TYPE OF LAND** [uncountable] land of a particular type

**uncharted/unexplored territory**

an expedition through previously unexplored territory

3. **ANIMAL** [uncountable and countable] the area that an animal, bird etc regards as its own and will defend against other animals:

" A tiger has a large territory to defend.

" A dog uses urine to mark its territory.

4. **NEW OR FAMILIAR EXPERIENCE** [uncountable] a particular area of experience or knowledge

new/unfamiliar/uncharted territory

" The company is moving into unfamiliar territory with this new software.

" Actor Patrick Bergin returns to more familiar territory to play a menacing killer.

5. **BUSINESS** [uncountable and countable] an area in a town, country etc that someone is responsible for as part of their job, especially someone whose job is to sell products:

" a sales territory

6. **come/go with the territory** to be a natural and accepted part of a particular job, situation, place etc:

" I 'ra cop – getting shot at goes with the territory.

7. **LAND THAT IS NOT A STATE** [countable] land that belongs to the United States, Canada etc but that is not a state:

" the US territory of Guam

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## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + enemy

▪ **enemy/hostile territory** Patterson had never flown so deep into enemy territory before.

▪ **occupied territory** (=land that is controlled by a foreign country or its army) America has always wanted I sræb give up some of the occupied territory.

▪ **disputed territory** (=land that two countries are fighting or arguing to get control of) The latest round of talks over the disputed territory begins next week.

▪ **neutral territory** (=a place or country that is not controlled by either of the groups or countries involved in a war) After crossing the frontier post, he would be safe in neutral territory.

▪ **Chinese/German etc territory** The Russians handed over to Poland a large slice of German territory.

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## THESAURUS

▪ **land** an area that is owned by someone or that can be used for farming or building houses: This is private land. | They moved to the country and bought some land.

▪ **farmland** land that is used for farming: The area is one of gently rolling hills and farmland.

▪ **territory** land that belongs to a country or that is controlled by a country during a war: His plane was forced to make an emergency landing in Chinese territory. | The army was advancing into enemy territory.

▪ **the grounds** the gardens and land around a big building such as a castle, school, or hospital: The grounds of the castle are open to visitors every weekend. | the school grounds

▪ **estate** a large area of land in the country, usually with one large house on it and one owner: The film is set on an English country estate.

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