

substance['sʌbstəns] *n*1. **вещество**

heavy [porous, yellow, transparent] substance - тяжёлое [пористое, жёлтое, прозрачное] вещество
 solid substance - твёрдое тело

2. **сущность, существо, суть, истинный смысл; содержание**

emotional substance - эмоциональное содержание

the substance of the case - существо /суть/ дела

in substance - а) в сущности, по сути; I agree with you in substance - в основном я с вами согласен; the two statements agree in

substance - эти два утверждения не противоречат друг другу; б) на деле, в самом деле; this, in substance, represents the

opinion of two experts - это, по существу дела, выражает мнение двух специалистов

an argument of little substance - не очень веский аргумент

to come to the substance of the matter - перейти к существу вопроса

there is no substance in him - у него нет ничего за душой, он пустой человек

3. **филос.** субстанция, материя4. **твёрдость, плотность**5. **юр.** имущество, состояние

a man of substance - состоятельный человек

to waste one's substance - растратить своё состояние

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sub-stance [substance substances] *BrE* ['sʌbstəns] [ⓘ] *NAmE* ['sʌbstəns] [ⓘ]**noun**1. **countable** a type of solid, liquid or gas that has particular qualities

- a **chemical /radioactive , etc. substance**
- **banned /illegal substances** (= drugs)
- a sticky substance

2. **uncountable** the quality of being based on facts or the truth

- It was malicious gossip, completely **without substance** .
- The commission's report **gives substance to** these allegations.
- There is some substance in what he says .

3. **uncountable** the most important or main part of sth

- Love and guilt form **the substance of** his new book.
- I agreed with what she said **in substance** , though not with every detail.
- There seems to be no difference **in substance** between the two procedures.

4. **uncountable** (formal) importance**Syn:** ↑significance

- matters **of substance**
- Nothing of any substance was achieved in the meeting.

Idiom: ↑man of substance**Word Origin:**

Middle English (denoting the essential nature of something): from Old French, from Latin *substantia* 'being, essence', from *substant-* 'standing firm', from the verb *substare*.

Example Bank:

- His disappearance has given added substance to the argument that he stole the money.
- Nothing of substance was achieved at the meeting.
- Some frogs produce toxic substances in their skin.
- The athletes had taken banned substances to increase their strength.
- The image of him that the media have presented has no substance.
- The letters lent substance to the claims.
- The real substance of the report was in the third part.
- Their allegations were without substance.
- There was little substance to his claims.
- There's no difference in substance between the two points of view.
- There's no substance in the story.
- a bag full of some unknown substance
- a natural substance found in the body of animals
- foreign substances that contaminated the experiments
- lyrics with substance
- the material substance of which we are made
- the substance of the evidence against him
- Exercise of this kind improves the balance of fatty substances in the bloodstream.
- He found it difficult to say much of substance.
- He was disqualified from competing after testing positive to a banned substance.
- I agree with what he said in substance, though not with every detail.
- No one raised any matters of substance.

- Psychoactive drugs are chemical substances that act on the brain.
- Substances can be divided into elements, compounds and mixtures.
- The party's manifesto is good on style but lacks real substance.

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substance **W3** /'sʌbstəns/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun*

[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑substance, ↑substantiation, ↑substantive; **adjective:** ↑substantial ≠ ↑insubstantial, ↑substantive; **verb:** ↑substantiate; **adverb:** ↑substantially]

[**Date:** 1200-1300; **Language:** Old French; **Origin:** Latin substantia, from substare *'to stand under'*]

1. MATERIAL [countable] a particular type of solid, liquid, or gas:

ˈ The leaves were covered with a strange sticky substance.

dangerous/toxic/hazardous/poisonous etc substance

ˈ harmful substances in the atmosphere

ˈ Plutonium 238 is one of the most toxic substances known to man.

illegal/banned/prohibited/controlled substance (=used especially about illegal drugs)

ˈ Police found an illegal substance in his car.

2. TRUTH [uncountable usually in questions and negatives] **formal** if something has substance, it is true:

ˈ There is no substance to the rumours (=they are untrue).

without substance (=untrue)

ˈ O'Connell's remarks are completely without substance.

3. IDEAS [singular, uncountable] the most important ideas contained in an argument or piece of writing **SYN essence:**

ˈ The substance of his argument was that people on welfare should work.

in substance

ˈ What she said, in substance, was that the mayor should resign.

4. IMPORTANCE [uncountable] **formal** importance **SYN significance:**

ˈ It was an entertaining speech, but it lacked substance (=there was no important information in it).

matters/issues of substance

ˈ We should be discussing matters of substance.

5. man/woman of substance *British English literary* a rich man or woman

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COLLOCATIONS

■ adjectives

- **a dangerous/hazardous/harmful substance** Using chemicals or other hazardous substances at work can put people's health at risk.
- **a poisonous substance** (also **a noxious substance formal**) (=harmful to people) Cigarette smoke contains several poisonous substances.
- **a toxic substance** (=harmful to people and the environment) All toxic substances should be labelled and carefully stored in a safe place.
- **a radioactive substance** (=containing a form of energy that can harm people) People who work with radioactive substances are subject to strict regulations.
- **an illegal/banned/prohibited substance** (=used mainly to refer to illegal drugs) Any player found guilty of using banned substances faces the prospect of a lengthy suspension.
- **a controlled substance law** (=an illegal drug) He was charged with possessing a controlled substance.
- **an organic substance** (=from a living thing) Despite being an organic substance, ivory is remarkably durable.

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THESAURUS

■ a solid or liquid substance

- **material** *noun* [uncountable and countable] a substance, especially one that can be used for making things: building materials | The island has to import oil and other raw materials (=materials used for making things). | radioactive material
- **substance** *noun* [countable] a type of material such as a chemical or a mineral: The green colour of the leaf is due to a substance called chlorophyll. | Dioxin is one of the most toxic substances known to man.
- **matter** *noun* [uncountable] **formal** a type of substance – used especially in the following phrases: waste matter from the body | It is important to add plenty of organic matter to the soil. | People throw away lots of vegetable matter.
- **stuff** *noun* [uncountable] **informal** a substance - used especially when you do not know exactly what it is: What's that sticky stuff on the floor?

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