

lever

1. ['li:və] *n*

- 1. 1) рычаг; рукоятка; вага
lever of the first [second, third] order /kind/ - рычаг первого [второго, третьего] рода
- 2) плечо рычага
- 3) *мор.* гандшпуг
- 4) *тех.* вылет, вынос

2. рычаг, средство воздействия
attempts to use food as a political lever - попытки использовать продовольствие как орудие политики

2. ['li:və] *v*

пользоваться рычагом; поднимать *или* передвигать с помощью рычага
they are trying to lever him out of his job as head of the firm - они стараются выпереть его с поста главы фирмы

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lever [lever levers levered levering] *noun, verb* BrE ['li:və(r)][Ⓜ] NAmE ['levə(r)][Ⓜ]

noun

- 1. a handle used to operate a vehicle or piece of machinery
 - Pull the lever towards you to adjust the speed.

see also ↑gear lever
- 2. a long piece of wood, metal, etc. used for lifting or opening sth by sb placing one end of it under an object and pushing down on the other end
 - We had to use a lever to prise open the window.
- 3. ~ (for/against sth) an action that is used to put pressure on sb to do sth they do not want to do
 - The threat of sanctions is our most powerful lever for peace.

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French *levier, leveor*, from *lever* 'to lift'.

Example Bank:

- He threw a lever and the engines roared to life.
- If this allegation is true, it will give us a useful lever against him.
- Push the gear lever into first.
- Set all three levers to the 0 position.
- The machine is operated by means of a lever.
- The machine will stop immediately once the lever is released.
- This could serve as a powerful lever for peace.
- To release the brake, pull the lever towards you.
- Use a tyre lever to get the tyre off.
- When the lever is operated, the machine sews backwards.

verb

to move sth with a ↑lever

Syn: ↑prise

- ~ sth + adv./prep. I levered the lid off the pot with a knife.
- ~ sth + adj. They managed to lever the door open.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	lever
	BrE / 'li:və(r) /
	NAmE / 'levə(r) /
he / she / it	levers
	BrE / 'li:vəz /
	NAmE / 'levəz /
past simple, past participle	levered
	BrE / 'li:vəd /
	NAmE / 'levəd /
-ing form	levering
	BrE / 'li:vərɪŋ /
	NAmE / 'levərɪŋ /

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Example Bank:

- The intruders had levered off the bolts.

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1. **lever** /'li:və/ \$ 'levə/ BrE[Ⓜ] AmE[Ⓜ] *noun* [countable]

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: *levier*, from *lever* 'to raise']

1. a stick or handle on a machine or piece of equipment, that you move to operate it:

" Pull this lever to open the gate. ⇒ ↑ gear lever

2. a long thin piece of metal that you use to lift something heavy by putting one end under the object and pushing the other end down

3. something you use to influence a situation to get the result that you want:

" Rich countries use foreign aid as a lever to achieve political aims.

II. **lever**² *BrE* *AmE* *verb* [transitive]

1. to move something with a lever

lever something off/up/out etc

" He levered the stone into place.

2. **lever yourself up** (also **lever yourself onto/out of etc something**) to move your body by pushing on something with your arms to help you:

" He slowly levered himself up.

3. to make someone leave a particular job, situation etc

lever somebody out

" They're trying to lever him out of his job.

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