

generous[ˈdʒen(ə)rəs] *a*

1. великодушный, благородный

generous nature - благородная натура [*см. тж.* 2]

generous spirit - высокий дух

generous impulse - великодушный порыв

generous conqueror - великодушный победитель

2. щедрый

generous nature - широкая натура [*см. тж.* 1]

to be generous with one's money - быть щедрым /не скупиться/ (на деньги)

she is not very generous with the food - она скуповата по части угощения

he is very generous with his time - он совершенно не считается со своим временем

to give generous praise - не скупиться на похвалу

to be generous to a fault - быть чрезмерно щедрым, доводить щедрость до абсурда

3. большой, щедрый

generous fare [ˈhɑːvɪʃ] - обильная пища [-ый урожай]

a generous spoonful of sugar - полная (с верхом) ложка сахара

a generous helping of meat - солидная порция мяса

generous allowance - щедрое содержание *или* пособие; изрядная сумма карманных денег

generous of size - большого размера

the seams in this dress are very generous - в этом платье (в швах) большой запас

4. плодородный (о почве)

5. 1) густой, интенсивный (о цвете)

2) крепкий, выдержанный (о вине)

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gen-er-ous *BrE* [ˈdʒenərəs] ^m *NAme* [ˈdʒenərəs] ^m adjective (approving)

1. giving or willing to give freely; given freely

• a generous benefactor

• ~ **(with sth)** to be generous with your time

• to be generous in giving help

• a **generous gift/offer**• It was **generous of him** to offer to pay for us both.**Opp:** ↑mean

2. more than is necessary; large

Syn: ↑lavish

• a generous helping of meat

• The car has a generous amount of space.

3. kind in the way you treat people; willing to see what is good about sb/sth

• a generous mind

• He wrote a very generous assessment of my work.

Derived Word ↑generously**Word Origin:**late 16th cent.: via Old French from Latin **generosus** 'noble, magnanimous', from **genus**, **gener-** 'stock, race'. The original sense was 'of noble birth', hence 'characteristic of noble birth, courageous, magnanimous, not mean' (a sense already present in Latin).**Thesaurus:****generous** [**generous generously**] *adj.*

1.

• a kind and generous man

• a very generous gift

written, sometimes disapproving **liberal** • • **free with sth** •**Opp:** meanbe generous/liberal/free **with sth**a generous/liberal **amount** of sth**Generous or liberal?** People can be generous with their **money**, **time** or **help**. If they are **generous** with their money, you can just say that they are **generous** (without stating 'with their money'). People can be **liberal** with their **money**, **cash**, **criticism** or **advice**.

2.

• He wrote a very generous assessment of my work.

kind • • **considerate** • • **thoughtful** • |especially spoken **nice** • • **good** • • **sweet** • |formal **benevolent** • • **benign** •**Opp:** meangenerous/kind/considerate/nice/good/benevolent **to sb**be generous/kind/considerate/thoughtful/nice/good/sweet **of sb** (to do sth)a generous/kind/considerate/thoughtful/nice/good/sweet/benevolent **man/woman/person****Example Bank:**

• John's getting very generous with the wine!

- She's quite generous with her praise.
- Thank you for your donation. It was very generous of you.
- The review panel criticized the payments as overly generous.
- They have been extremely generous to the church.
- You have been most generous.
- He took a generous helping of pasta.
- He's a kind and generous man.
- Her generous spirit shone through in everything she did.
- It was very generous of her to offer to pay.
- That's a very generous offer.
- The director thanked the chairman for his generous gift.
- The gallery was named after its most generous benefactor.
- They were very generous with their time.

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gen **erous** **W3** /'dʒenərəs/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *adjective*

[Word Family: noun: ↑generosity; adverb: ↑generously; adjective: ↑generous]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: French; Origin: généreux, from Latin generosus 'born into a high rank', from genus; ⇨ ↑genus]

1. someone who is generous is willing to give money, spend time etc, in order to help people or give them pleasure **OPP mean generous to**

• She's always very generous to the kids.

generous with

• Jim is very generous with his time.

it/that is generous (of somebody)

• It was generous of them to ask Anna along.

generous offer/support/donation etc

• my employer's generous offer to pay the bill

2. larger or more than the usual size or amount **OPP measly**:

• a generous glass of wine

generous amount/helping/measure etc

• a generous helping of pasta

• He had a well-shaped generous mouth.

3. sympathetic in the way you deal with people, and tending to see the good qualities in someone or something **OPP mean**:

• She was generous enough to overlook my little mistake.

—generously adverb:

• Please give generously to the refugee fund.

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THESAURUS

- **kind** someone who is kind tries to help people and make them happy or comfortable, and shows that they care about them: They were very kind to us and let us stay in their house as long as we liked. | a kind old lady | a kind thing to say
- **nice** *especially spoken* friendly and kind. **Nice** is very common in everyday spoken English and is often used instead of **kind**: Everyone has been so nice to me. | It's nice of you to invite me here. | He seems such a nice man.
- **generous** kind because you give people money, presents etc: 'I'll pay for the meal.' 'That's very generous of you.' | a generous gift
- **considerate** thinking about other people's feelings, and careful not to do anything that will upset them: Our neighbours are very considerate and always keep their TV turned down. | a considerate driver | He's always very polite and considerate to his guests.
- **thoughtful** thinking of things you can do to make other people happy or feel good – used especially when someone does something such as giving someone a present or helping someone: It was thoughtful of you to send him a card. | Some thoughtful person had taken her bag to the lost property office.
- **caring** kind and wanting to help and look after people: She's lucky to have such a loving and caring husband. | The British are well-known for their caring attitude toward animals.
- **sympathetic** saying kind things to someone who has problems and behaving in a way that shows you care about them: My boss was very sympathetic and said I should take some time off work. | She gave him a sympathetic smile.
- **good** kind and showing that you want to help – used especially in the following phrases: It was good of you to come and see me. | She's always been very good to us.
- **sweet** *informal* very kind – used especially when you like someone very much, or you are very pleased because of something they have done: I was given the flowers by a sweet little old lady who lived next door. | It's sweet of you to ask. | a sweet thing to say
- **kind-hearted / warm-hearted** *especially written* having a kind and friendly character, which makes other people like you: He was a wonderful father, kind-hearted and always laughing. | The town is full of warm-hearted, helpful people.
- **benevolent** *formal* kind and wanting to help people – often used about someone who is important or who people respect: a benevolent ruler | They believe in the existence of a benevolent God who will save mankind. | He listened politely, like some benevolent uncle.

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