harm Apresyan (En-Ru)

1. [ha:m] *n*

1. 1) вред, ущерб

(grievous) bodily harm - юр. (тяжкое) телесное повреждение

to do (much) harm to smb., smth. - причинять (большой) вред кому-л., чему-л.; нанести ущерб кому-л., чему-л.

to suffer harm - получить повреждения; понести ущерб

he suffered no harm - он не пострадал

harm to the health - вред здоровью

harm done by the storm - разрушения, причинённые бурей; ущерб, нанесённый штормом

2) зло, беда, вред; неприятность

to be safe from harm - быть вне опасности

out of harm's way - \cong от греха подальше

to keep smb. out of harm's way - уберечь кого-л. от опасности

to protect smb. from harm - уберечь кого-л. от неприятности/беды и т. п./

I meant no harm - я не хотел вас обидеть

there's no harm done - это не причинило вреда; никто от этого не пострадал; никому от этого хуже не стало

there's little /there's no/ harm in doing so - в этом нет ничего плохого

there's no harm in trying - \cong попытка - не пытка

there is no harm in him - он человек незлой /невредный, безобидный/

more harm than good - больше плохого, чем хорошего; больше вреда, чем пользы

2. уст. горе, скорбь, печаль

2. [ha:m] v

1) вредить, причинять вред; наносить ущерб

to harm smb.'s reputation - повредить чьей-л. репутации

it hasn't harmed you, has it? - вам это не повредило?

2) редк. пострадать, понести ущерб

he will not harm for it - это ему нисколько не вредит

harm

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harm [harm harms harmed harming] noun, verb BrE [ha nj * NAmE [ha rnj * NAmE [ha nj * NAmE]]]]]

noun uncountable

damage or injury that is caused by a person or an event

- He would neverfrighten anyone or cause them any harm .
- He may look fierce, but he means no harm .
- The court case will do serious harm to my business.
- The accident could have been much worse; luckily no harm was done .
- Don't worry, we'll see that the children come to no harm .
- I can't say I like Mark very much, but I don't wish him any harm .
- Hard work never did anyone any harm .
- Look, we're just going out for a few drinks, where's the harm in that ?
- The treatment they gave him did him more harm than good .

Word Origin:

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Thesaurus:

harm noun U

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damage • |formal detriment •

Opp: good

harm/damage/detriment to sth

harm/damage from sth

cause/do/inflict/suffer/escape/prevent harm/damage

Harm or damage? Harm is only used in a number of fixed phrases to express opinions about what or who may cause harm, or whether harm has been caused

Luckily, no harm was done.

Damage is used to talk about the effects of storms, fire, etc. and about the physical state of unhealthy organs in the body

- storm/flood/smoke damage
- brain/liver/kidney damage

Both words can be used to talk about mental or emotional suffering

psychological damage/harm

Example Bank:

- I don't think he'll come to any harm if his mother is with him.
- I don't want any harm to come to these pictures.
- I'm sorry if I upset you— I didn't mean any harm.
- No one wishes you harm.
- · She tried to shield her child from harm.
- The children were removed from their parents to prevent harm to them.

- The drugs he was prescribed did him more harm than good.
- The huge fall in exports has done a great deal of harm to the economy.
- The younger children were kept out of harm's way.
- babies at risk of serious harm from their parents
- elderly people in danger of physical or emotional harm
- the harm done to the environment
- Don't worry, we'll see that the children come to no harm.
- Hard work never did anyone any harm.
- He may look fierce, but he means no harm.
- He was convicted of causing grievous/actual bodily harm.
- He would neverfrighten anyone or cause them any harm.
- I can't say I like Mark very much but I don't wish him any harm.
- I prefer the children to play in the garden where they're out of harm's way.
- Look, we're just going out for a few drinks, where's the harm in that?
- The accident could have been worse; luckily no harm was done.
- emotional/psychological/social damage/harm

<u>Idioms:</u> †it does no harm to do something = †it wouldn't do somebody any harm = †no harm done = †out of harm's way = †there is no harm in doing something

verb~ sb/sth

to hurt or injure sb or to damage sth

- · He would neverharm anyone.
- · Pollution can harm marine life.
- These revelations will harm her chances of winning the election.

see not harm/hurt a fly at fly n, not harm/touch a hair of sb's head at hair

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	harm
	BrE /ha:m/
	NAmE /ha:rm/
he / she /it	harms
	BrE /ha:mz/
	NAmE /ha:rmz/
past simple, past participle	harmed
	BrE /ha:md/
	NAmE /ha:rmd/
-ing form	harming
	BrE /ha:mɪŋ/
	NAME /ha:rmɪŋ/

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damage · · hurt · · compromise · |formal impair ·

Opp: benefit

harm/damage/hurt/compromise/impair sb's chances

harm/damage/hurt/compromise sb's reputation

harm/damage/compromise/impair sb's health

seriously harm/damage/hurt/compromise/impair sb/sth

Harm or damage? Harm is used especially to talk about bad effects on the environment or sb's health; **damage** can also be used in this way, but is used most frequently about bad effects on objects:

• The car was badly damaged in the crash.

rack The car was badly harmed in the crash.

Synonyms:

damage

hurt • harm • impair

These words all mean to have a bad effect on sb/sth.

damage • to cause physical harm to sth, making it less attractive, useful or valuable to have a bad effect on sb/sth's life, health, happiness or chances of success: ■ The fire badly damaged the town hall. ♦ emotionally damaged children

hurt • (rather informal) to have a bad effect on sb/sth's life, health, happiness or chances of success: • Hard work never hurt anyone.

harm • to have a bad effect on sb/sth's life, health, happiness or chances of success: • Pollution can harm marine life.

damage, hurt or harm?

Hurt is slightly less formal than **damage** or **harm**, especially when it is used in negative statements: • It won't hurt him to have to wait a bit. \bigcirc It won't damage/harm him to have to wait a bit. **Harm** is also often used to talk about ways in which things in the natural world such as wildlife and the environment are affected by human activity.

impair • (rather formal) to damage sb's health, abilities or chances: • Even one drink can impair driving performance.

to damage/hurt/harm/impair sb's chances

to damage/hurt/harm sb's interests/reputation

to damage/harm/impair sb's health

- to seriously/greatly damage/hurt/harm/impair sb/sth
- to badly/severely damage/hurt/impair sb/sth

Example Bank:

- He claimed that he had not intended to harm the girl.
- · Misusing drugs in pregnancy can seriously harm your baby.

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I. harm ¹ S3 W3 /ha □m\$ ha □rm BrE * AmE * noun [uncountable]

[Word Family: noun: †harm, †harmlessness; adjective: †unharmed, †harmful ≠ †harmless; verb †harm; adverb †harmlessly] [Language: Old English; Origin: hearm]

- 1. damage, injury, or trouble caused by someone's actions or by an event:
 - The scandal did his career a lot of harm.
 - Our children deserve protection from harm. ⇒ †grievous bodily harm
- 2. come to no harm/not come to any harm to not be hurt or damaged:
 - She was relieved to see the children had come to no harm.
- 3. mean no harm/not mean any harm to have no intention of hurting or upsetting anyone:
 - She's a terrible gossip but she means no harm.
- 4. there's no harm in doing something/it does no harm to do something spoken used to suggest something to someone:
 - There's no harm in trying.
 - It does no harm to ask.
- **5**. **it wouldn't do somebody any harm to do something** *spoken* used to suggest that someone should do something that may be helpful or useful to them:

It wouldn't do you any harm to get some experience first.

- 6. out of harm's way
- a) if someone or something is out of harm's way, they are in a place where they cannot be hurt or damaged:

Copies of your documents should be kept in a safe place, well out of harm's way.

b) if something dangerous is out of harm's way, it is in a place where it cannot hurt anyone or damage anything:

If you have small children, make sure that you store all medicines out of harm's way.

COLLOCATIONS

verbs

- do (something) harm Try to choose products that do the least harm to the environment.
- cause (somebody/something) harm Very small amounts of the chemical cause no lasting harm.
- inflict harm (=cause harm, especially physical harm) None of us wants to inflict harm on another human being.
- suffer harm A child can be taken into care if he is or is likely to suffer significant harm.
- prevent harm He was put in a mental hospital to prevent harm to others.

adjectives

- great/serious/significant harm If you drink too much alcohol, you can do yourself serious harm.
- physical harm They were afraid that he would do them some actual physical harm.
- psychological/emotional harm Depriving a child of love does irreparable emotional harm.
- environmental harm The report highlights the environmental harm caused by transporting goods around the world.
- irreparable harm (=that cannot be made better) The scandal has caused irreparable harm to his career.
- lasting/permanent harm The injury caused him discomfort but no lasting harm.
- untold harm (=so much harm that it cannot be described completely) This type of abuse can cause a child untold harm.
- potential harm People need to be more aware of the potential harm of being overweight.

phrases

- do more harm than good (=cause more problems rather than improve a situation) If you don't warm up properly, exercise may do more harm than good.
- no harm done spoken (=used to tell someone not to worry about something they have done) 'I'm sorry, I didn't mean to push you.' 'Don't worry, no harm done.'
- where's the harm in that? spoken (=used when you think that something seems reasonable, although other people may not) Sure, he gets attention when he performs at a charity event, but where's the harm in that?

COMMON ERRORS

- ▶ Do not say 'give harm' or 'make harm'. Say do harm or cause harm.
- II. harm ² BrE * AmE * verb [transitive]

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1. to have a bad effect on something:

chemicals that harm the environment

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In everyday English, people usually say that something is bad for something rather than that it harms something:

- chemicals that are bad for the environment
- 2. to physically hurt a person or animal:
 - The kidnappers didn't harm him, thank God.

3. harm sb's image /reputation to make people have a worse opinion of a person or group

THESAURUS

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- harm to have a bad effect on someone or something: Many women said parenthood harmed their careers. | A little hard work neverharmed anyone.
- **damage** to harm something badly. **Damage** is more serious than **harm**: His reputation was damaged and his career was in ruins. | The affair has damaged people's confidence in the government.
- be bad for somebody/something to be likely to harm someone or something: Too much fatty food is bad for you. | All this rain is bad for business.
- be detrimental to something formal to be bad for something: The new housing development will be detrimental to the character of this small town.
- **impair** *formal* to harm something, especially someone's ability to do something or the correct working of a system: Any amount of alcohol that you drink will impair your ability to drive. I His vision was impaired.
- **prejudice** /'predʒədəs, 'predʒʊdəs/ to have a bad effect on the future success of something: Don't do anything to prejudice our chances of winning.

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