

# irritate

I

['ɪrɪteɪt] v

1. раздражать, сердить  
he was irritated by the delay - задержка раздражала его /вызывала у него раздражение/
2. **мед.** вызывать раздражение, воспаление  
the thick smoke irritated my eyes - от густого дыма у меня воспалились глаза
3. **физиол.** наносить раздражение, раздражать  
a muscle contracts when it is irritated by electricity - под воздействием электричества мышца сокращается

II

['ɪrɪteɪt] v юр.

делать недействительным, аннулировать

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**ir-ri-tate** [irritate irritates irritated irritating] BrE ['ɪrɪteɪt] " NAmE ['ɪrɪteɪt] "

verb

1. ~ **sb** to annoy sb, especially by sth you continuously do or by sth that continuously happens  
• The way she puts on that accent really irritates me.
2. ~ **sth** to make your skin or a part of your body sore or painful  
• Some drugs can irritate the lining of the stomach.

Derived Words ↑irritating ▪ ↑irritatingly ▪ ↑irritation

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	irritate
	BrE / 'ɪrɪteɪt/
	NAmE / 'ɪrɪteɪt/
he / she /it	irritates
	BrE / 'ɪrɪteɪts/
	NAmE / 'ɪrɪteɪts/
past simple, past participle	irritated
	BrE / 'ɪrɪteɪtɪd/
	NAmE / 'ɪrɪteɪtɪd/
-ing form	irritating
	BrE / 'ɪrɪteɪtɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'ɪrɪteɪtɪŋ/

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent. (in the sense 'excite, provoke'): from Latin *irritat-* 'irritated', from the verb *irritare*.

Thesaurus:

**irritate** verb T

- The way she puts on that accent really irritates me.
- annoy** • **exasperate** • **rile** • **frustrate** • |informal **get on sb's nerves** • **bug** • |BrE, informal **wind sb up** • |formal **displease** •

Opp: **pacify**

**It** irritates me/annoys me/riles me/gets on my nerves/bugs me **that/when...**

**What** irritates me/annoys me/riles me/frustrates me/gets on my nerves/bugs me **is the way/the fact that...**

**really** irritate sb/annoy sb/rile sb/get on sb's nerves/bug sb/wind sb up

Example Bank:

- His voice is downright irritating.
- I find all this highly irritating
- I have always found her mildly irritating.
- The sheer number of tourists can be irritating.
- The song gets a bit irritating after a while.
- His most irritating habit was eating with his mouth open.
- The way she stares at me is extremely irritating.

Example Bank:

- She was moody at times and easily irritated.
- That man really irritates me!
- The noise was beginning to irritate me intensely.
- She was irritated by his continued refusal to believe her.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**ir-ri-tate** /'ɪrɪteɪt, 'ɪrɪteɪt/ BrE " AmE " verb [transitive]

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of irritare 'to cause strong feelings in, excite']

1. to make someone feel annoyed or impatient, especially by doing something many times or for a long period of time:  
" It really irritates me when he doesn't help around the house.
2. to make a part of your body painful and sore:  
" This cream may irritate sensitive skin.

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RANGE: **3k** IRRITATE <sup>5547</sup>

irritate <sup>526</sup>

irritates <sup>218</sup>

irritated <sup>1893</sup>

irritating <sup>1084</sup>

irritation <sup>1694</sup>

irritations <sup>132</sup>

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