

interrupt

1. [ˌɪntəˈrʌpt] *n*

1. временная остановка, перерыв
2. разрыв, брешь
3. *спец.* сигнал прерывания (*работы ЭВМ и т. п.*)
disabled /disarmed/ interrupt - заблокированное/маскированное/ прерывание
enabled interrupt - разрешённое /немаскированное/ прерывание

2. [ˌɪntəˈrʌpt] *v*

1. прерывать; приостанавливать (*ход, течение чего-л.*)
traffic was interrupted by floods - сообщение было прервано наводнением
2. перебивать, прерывать (*говорящего*)
to interrupt a lecture with a question - прервать лекцию вопросом
don't interrupt! - не перебивайте!
3. 1) нарушать, мешать
to interrupt smb.'s sleep - нарушить чей-л. сон
don't interrupt me when I am busy - не мешайте мне, когда я занят
- 2) заслонять; препятствовать
the building interrupts the view from our window - здание закрывает вид из нашего окна

interrupt

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

inter-rupt [interrupt interrupts interrupted interrupting] *BrE* [ˌɪntəˈrʌpt] ^{verb}

NAmE [ˌɪntəˈrʌpt] ^{verb}

1. intransitive, transitive to say or do sth that makes sb stop what they are saying or doing

- Sorry to interrupt, but there's someone to see you.
- ~ **with sth** Would you mind not interrupting with questions all the time?
- ~ **sb/sth (with sth)** I hope I'm not interrupting you.
- They were interrupted by a knock at the door.
- ~ **(sb) + speech** 'I have a question,' she interrupted.

2. transitive ~ sth to stop sth for a short time

- The game was interrupted several times by rain.
- We interrupt this programme to bring you an important news bulletin.

3. transitive ~ sth to stop a line, surface, view, etc. from being even or continuous

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	interrupt
	<i>BrE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌpt/
	<i>NAmE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌpt/
he / she / it	interrupts
	<i>BrE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌpts/
	<i>NAmE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌpts/
past simple, past participle	interrupted
	<i>BrE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌptɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌptɪd/
-ing form	interrupting
	<i>BrE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌptɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /, ɪntəˈrʌptɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: from Latin **interru- 'broken, interrupted'**, from the verb **interrumpere**, from **inter- 'between'** + **rumpere 'to break'**.

Thesaurus:

interrupt *verb*

1. I, T

- Please stop interrupting me!
- disturb** • • **cut in** • • **barge in** • |especially spoken **bother** • |informal **chip in** • |formal **intrude** • • **trouble** •
interrupt/disturb sb/cut in/bother sb/chip in/trouble sb **with sth**
be **sorry to** interrupt sb/disturb sb/cut in/bother sb/intrude/trouble sb

Interrupt, disturb or bother? You usually **interrupt** sb who is speaking by speaking yourself. You can either **disturb** or **bother** sb who is trying to do sth on their own, by talking to them or asking questions. You can also **disturb** (but not **bother** or **interrupt**) sb who is trying to rest, by making a lot of noise.

2. T

- The game was interrupted twice by rain.
- disrupt** • • **interfere with sth** • • **hold sb /sth back** • • **hamper** • • **hinder** • • **obstruct** • • **upset** •
interrupt/disrupt/interfere with/hamper/hinder/obstruct (sb's) **work**
interrupt/disrupt a **meeting**

Example Bank:

- 'He's kidding,' I interrupted hastily.
- I didn't manage to finish the report. I kept getting interrupted.
- I thought it better not to interrupt her with any comment.

- I'm sorry to interrupt, but there's a telephone call for you.
- It was all irrelevant, but I didn't dare interrupt him in mid-flow.
- The morning's work was constantly interrupted by phone calls.
- Their luncheon was brutally interrupted by gunfire.
- What was I saying, before we were so rudely interrupted?
- 'What's his name?' John interrupted.
- I hope I'm not interrupting you.
- I've forgotten what you were saying, before we were so rudely interrupted.
- Please stop interrupting all the time!
- Sh! You're always interrupting me!
- Sorry to interrupt your dinner.
- They were interrupted by a knock on the door.
- Transport services were constantly interrupted by air raids.

interrupt

Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

in **ter** **rupt** /,ɪntəˈrʌpt/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m *verb*

[**Word Family**: **verb**: ↑interrupt; **noun**: ↑interruption; **adverb**: ↑uninterruptedly; **adjective**: ↑uninterrupted]

[**Date**: 1300-1400; **Language**: Latin; **Origin**: past participle of interrumpere, from rumpere 'to break']

1. [**intransitive and transitive**] to stop someone from continuing what they are saying or doing by suddenly speaking to them, making a noise etc:

- " Will you stop interrupting me!
- " Sorry to interrupt, but I need to ask you to come downstairs.

2. [**transitive**] to make a process or activity stop temporarily:

- " My studies were interrupted by the war.

3. [**transitive**] if something interrupts a line, surface, view etc, it stops it from being continuous

—**interruption** /-ˈrʌpʃən/ *noun* [**uncountable and countable**]:

- " We can talk here without interruption.

HINT: ► Do not use **interruption** to mean a short period when students or workers can stop working and relax. Use **break**:
Between the two classes there is a 15-minute break.

• • •

THESAURUS

■ when someone is speaking

- **interrupt** [**intransitive and transitive**] to stop someone from continuing speaking: She interrupted him to ask exactly how he had broken his ankle. | Oliver began his story but was soon interrupted by the arrival of Mr Gosling. | I wish you wouldn't interrupt all the time.
- **butt in** [**intransitive**] to rudely start speaking when someone is already speaking: Will you please stop butting in! | Steve kept butting in with silly comments.
- **cut somebody off/cut somebody short** [**intransitive**] to prevent someone from finishing what they are saying: He slammed down the phone and cut her off in mid-sentence. | Bob began to speak but Donna cut him short.
- **heckle** [**intransitive and transitive**] to deliberately interrupt a speaker or performer by shouting, especially to show that you do not agree with what they are saying: Comedians are used to dealing with members of the audience who heckle. | The speaker was heckled by a group of protesters.
- **chip in** [**intransitive**] to interrupt a conversation or discussion by adding comments, especially helpful or useful ones: Feel free to chip in if you have any comments to make.

■ when someone is doing something

- **interrupt** [**intransitive and transitive**] to stop someone from continuing to do something: Miss Danziger apologised for interrupting their enjoyment of their meal. | My thoughts were interrupted by the sound of the doorbell. | His interview was interrupted by a call from the President.
- **disturb** to interrupt someone when they are trying to work, sleep etc: The sign on the door said 'Do not disturb. Meeting in progress'. | I hope I'm not disturbing you. Do you want me to come back later? | Her sleep was disturbed by a violent hammering on the door.
- **bother** to interrupt someone, especially by asking questions when they are trying to do something else: 'I'm very sorry to bother you,' Jackson said smoothly, 'but I'd like a few minutes of your time.' | You mustn't bother him - he's working on his essay.

interrupt

Freakuency Pack

12500 **3405**^{MCW}

15000 **2365**^{COCA}

RANGE: **3k** INTERRUPT 13068

interrupt 2984

interrupts 850

interrupting 1324

interrupted 5260

uninterrupted 760

interruption 1192

interruptions 698

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

1940 **12452**²²⁶⁰ *vvi*

445 **32202**⁴⁹¹ *vv0*
140 **50130**²²² *nn1*
11 **244044**¹¹ *jj*
