

uncertain[ʌnˈsɜːtɪn] *a*

1. сомнительный, неясный, точно не известный

the date of their arrival is uncertain - дата их прибытия точно не известна

the result is uncertain - результат (ещё) неясен

2. неопределённый

a lady of uncertain age - дама неопределённого возраста

the market is uncertain - состояние рынка неопределённое

3. изменчивый, ненадёжный, капризный

uncertain weather - изменчивая погода

uncertain temper - капризный характер

uncertain friends - ненадёжные друзья

4. неуверенный, колеблющийся, нерешительный, сомневающийся

I am uncertain of success - я не уверен /сомневаюсь/ в успехе

I feel uncertain what to do next - я сам не знаю /колеблюсь/, что делать дальше

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un·cer·tain [uncertain] *BrE* [ʌnˈsɜːtɪn] *NAme* [ʌnˈsɜːrtɪn] *adjective*

1. not before noun ~ (about/of sth) feeling doubt about sth; not sure

• They're both uncertain about what to do.

• I'm still uncertain of my feelings for him.

Opp: ↑*certain*

2. likely to change, especially in a negative or unpleasant way

• Our future looks uncertain.

• a man of uncertain temper

3. not definite or decided

Syn: ↑*unclear*

• It is uncertain what his role in the company will be.

4. not confident

Syn: ↑*hesitant*

• The baby took its first uncertain steps.

Idiom: ↑*in no uncertain terms*Example Bank:

• Cost estimates are notoriously uncertain in this business.

• He seemed strangely uncertain as to how to continue.

• His research into the incident has left him uncertain as to exactly where responsibility lay.

• I feel deeply uncertain about the future.

• The world is inherently uncertain.

• We were rather uncertain of the direction it came from.

• Whether diet is an important factor in this illness is still uncertain.

• immigration policies that made employment status uncertain

• He was a man of uncertain temper.

• I'm still uncertain of my feelings for him.

• She had been dismissed and in no uncertain manner.

• They're both uncertain about what to do.

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un·cer·tain /ʌnˈsɜːtɪn/ -ɜːtɪ- *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*[Word Family: noun: ↑*certainty* ≠ ↑*uncertainty*; adverb: ↑*certainly* ≠ ↑*uncertainly*; adjective: ↑*certain* ≠ ↑*uncertain*]1. [not before noun] feeling doubt about something **SYN** *unsure**uncertain whether/how/what etc*

• He was uncertain how much further he could walk.

uncertain about/of

• I was uncertain about what to do next.

2. not clear, definite, or decided **SYN** *unclear**it is uncertain whether/how/what etc*

• It is uncertain how likely this is to occur.

• My whole future now seemed uncertain.3. **in no uncertain terms** if you tell someone something in no uncertain terms, you tell them very clearly without trying to be polite:

• I told Colin in no uncertain terms what I thought of him.

4. if someone walks in an uncertain way, they seem as though they might fall **SYN** *unsteady*:• She took a few uncertain steps forward.—*uncertainly* *adverb***uncertain**

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