

invent[in'vent] *v*

1. изобретать, создавать
to invent a new machine - изобрести новую машину
2. выдумывать, придумывать, сочинять
to invent an excuse [an explanation] - придумать отговорку [объяснение]
to invent a story - сочинить историю
3. *арх.* открывать

invent**in·vent** [invent invents invented inventing] *BrE* [in'vent] ^ˈ *NAmE* [in'vent] ^ˈ

verb

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1. ~ **sth** to produce or design sth that has not existed before
 - Who invented the steam engine?
 - I wish mobile phones had never been invented!
2. ~ **sth** to say or describe sth that is not true, especially in order to trick people
 - What excuse did he invent this time?
 - Many children invent an imaginary friend.

Verb forms: verb forms

present simple	
I / you / we / they	invent
	<i>BrE</i> /in'vent/
	<i>NAmE</i> /in'vent/
he / she / it	invents
	<i>BrE</i> /in'vents/
	<i>NAmE</i> /in'vents/
past simple, past participle	invented
	<i>BrE</i> /in'ventɪd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /in'ventɪd/
-ing form	inventing
	<i>BrE</i> /in'ventɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /in'ventɪŋ/

Word Origin:late 15th cent. (in the sense 'find out, discover'): from Latin **invent-** 'contrived, discovered', from the verb **invenire** from **in-** 'into' + **venire** 'come'.Thesaurus:**invent** verb1. **T**

- I wish television had never been invented

design • • engineer •invent/design/engineer a **new kind of motor**invent/design a **new product**design/engineer a **new car/bridge****Invent, design or engineer?** When you **invent** sth it is completely new and nothing of that kind has existed before. You **design** or **engineer** a new version of sth that already exists.2. **T**

- He invented a reason for calling her.

make sth up • • fabricate • • think sth up • • come up with sth • • devise • • trump sth up • • coin •invent/make up/fabricate/think up/come up with/devise a **story**invent/make up/think up/come up with a/an **excuse/name**invent/make up/coin a **word**Example Bank:

- He practically invented the modern stand-up comedy act.
- Pepys single-handedly invented the diary as a literary form.
- the newly invented automatic rifle
- He considered inventing some pretext for calling her.
- I did not have to invent any tales about my past.
- I wish television had never been invented
- Louis Braille invented an alphabet to help blind people.
- The term 'sociology' was invented by Auguste Comte.

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in·vent /in'vent/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ verb [transitive]

[Word Family: noun: ↑invention, ↑inventiveness, ↑inventor; verb: ↑invent, ↑reinvent; adverb: ↑inventively; adjective: ↑inventive]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Latin; Origin: past participle of invenire 'to come upon, find', from venire 'to come']

1. to make, design, or think of a new type of thing:

Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in 1876.

- ▶ Do not confuse with **discover** (=to be the first person to find something or to know that it exists): *Scientists have discovered a*

new type of bacteria.

2. to think of an idea, story etc that is not true, usually in order to deceive people:

" They invented a very convincing alibi.

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THESAURUS

- **invent** to think of an idea for a new product, machine etc, and design it or make it: The telephone was invented by Alexander Graham Bell. | Who invented the Internet?
- **create** to make or design something new and original: We decided to create the software ourselves. | For her latest book, she has created a whole new group of characters.
- **think of something/think up something** to produce a new idea, plan, method, excuse etc by thinking: I've thought of an idea. | They're always trying to think up new ways to improve efficiency.
- **come up with something** to produce a new idea, a way of dealing with something etc, especially a good one: How did you come up with that idea? | Ellis came up with the solution to the problem immediately.
- **make something up** to invent a story, song, game, excuse etc: My mother used to make up bedtime stories for us. | I didn't want to go to the class, so I decided to make up an excuse.
- **dream something up** to think of an idea or plan, especially one that seems unusual or even crazy: It can't be easy dreaming up new advertisements all the time. | I wonder who dreamt up that idea!
- **devise formal** to invent a way of doing something, especially one that is clever or complicated: This system was devised as a way of measuring students' progress.
- **conceive formal** to think of a new idea, plan etc and develop it in your mind: The project was originally conceived by a Dutch businessman two years ago.

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