

sensitivity[ˌsensɪˈtɪvɪti] *n*

1. 1) чувствительность
lack of sensitivity - отсутствие чувствительности
sensitivity curve - *мех.* кривая чувствительности
sensitivity to cold [heat] - чувствительность к холоду [теплу]
- 2) восприимчивость; впечатлительность; чуткость
to develop a sensitivity to art - развить восприятие искусства /художественный вкус/
he has the sensitivity of a young girl - он впечатлителен как девушка
- 3) *психол.* сенситивность
2. *pl* обидчивость, уязвимость
to show respect for the sensitivities of others - уважать чувства других; не уязвлять чужое самолюбие

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sen-si-tiv-ity [sensitivity sensitivities] *BrE* [ˌsensəˈtɪvəti] [Ⓜ] *NAmE* [ˌsensəˈtɪvəti][Ⓜ] **noun** (pl. **sen-si-tiv-ities**)**TO PEOPLE'S FEELINGS**

1. **uncountable** ~ (to sth) the ability to understand other people's feelings
 - sensitivity to the needs of children
 - She pointed out with tact and sensitivity exactly where he had gone wrong.

TO ART/MUSIC/LITERATURE

2. **uncountable** the ability to understand art, music and literature and to express yourself through them
 - She played with great sensitivity.

BEING EASILY UPSET

3. **uncountable, countable, usually plural** a tendency to be easily offended or upset by sth
 - He's a mixture of anger and sensitivity.
 - She was blind to the feelings and sensitivities of other people.

Opp: ↑insensitivity**OF INFORMATION/SUBJECT**

4. **uncountable** the fact of needing to be treated very carefully because it may offend or upset people
 - Confidentiality is important because of the sensitivity of the information.

TO FOOD/COLD/LIGHT, ETC.

5. **uncountable, countable, usually plural (technical)** the quality of reacting quickly or more than usual to sth
 - food sensitivity
 - allergies and sensitivities
 - Some children develop a sensitivity to cow's milk.
 - The eyes of some fish have a greater sensitivity to light than ours do.

TO SMALL CHANGES

6. **uncountable** the ability to measure very small changes
 - the sensitivity of the test

Example Bank:

- Many doctors lack sensitivity when dealing with their patients.
- Migrating birds show extreme sensitivity to air currents.
- Sensitivity training for teachers is always useful.
- She broke the news to us with great sensitivity.
- She is not known for her sensitivity in dealing with complaints.
- The course teaches sensitivity to body language.
- The producers were aware of the sensitivity of the subject.
- There is deep sensitivity over the treatment of minority groups.
- This is a matter of great sensitivity.
- a tool that has been criticized for its low sensitivity
- sensitivity about racial issues
- the need for sensitivity towards the views of the children
- He shows imaginative sensitivity in his review.
- Sensitivity to the needs of children is the main requirement for the job.

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[**Word Family:** **adjective:** ↑sensible, ↑insensible, ↑senseless, ↑sensitive ≠ ↑insensitive, ↑sensory, ↑nonsensical, ↑insensate; **noun:** ↑sense ≠ ↑nonsense, ↑sensitivity ≠ ↑insensitivity, ↑sensitivity ≠ ↑insensitivity, ↑senselessness, ↑sensitization, ↑sensor; **adverb:** ↑sensibly, ↑senselessly, ↑sensitivity ≠ ↑insensitivity; **verb:** ↑sense, ↑sensitize]

1. **UNDERSTANDING PEOPLE** [singular, uncountable] the ability to understand other people's feelings and problems:

- " His comments show a lack of sensitivity.
- " Interviewing victims of crime must be done with sensitivity.
- " a teacher with great sensitivity

sensitivity to

- " She has always shown a sensitivity to audience needs and tastes.

2. **SITUATION/SUBJECT** [uncountable] when a situation or subject needs to be dealt with carefully because it is secret or may offend people:

- " It's a matter of great political sensitivity.

3. **BODY'S REACTION** [uncountable and countable] when someone reacts badly to a particular food, substance, animal etc and becomes ill:

- " food sensitivity

sensitivity to

- " Many children have a sensitivity to cow's milk.

4. **EASILY OFFENDED** [uncountable] when someone is easily upset or offended by things that people say

5. **sensitivities** [plural] someone's feelings and the fact that they could be upset or offended:

- " racial sensitivities

6. **ART/MUSIC ETC** [uncountable and countable] the quality of being able to express emotions through art, literature etc

7. **REACTION TO CHANGES** [uncountable] the ability to react to very small changes in light, heat, movement etc:

- " The sensitivity of the detector can be increased.

8. **REACTION TO NEW SITUATIONS** [uncountable and countable] the fact of quickly reacting to new situations:

- " the market's price sensitivity

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