

**definite**[ˈdefɪnɪt] *a*

- 1) определённый, ясный, точный  
definite opinion [time, place, answer] - определённое мнение [время, место, -ый ответ]  
definite period - определённый/ограниченный во времени/ период  
definite dimensions - точные размеры  
definite statement - определённое/недвусмысленное/ заявление  
you are not definite enough - ≅ вы не могли бы выразаться точнее?
- 2) определённый, конкретный, некоторый  
to answer definite needs - отвечать некоторым потребностям  
to come to a definite understanding - добиться определённой степени понимания
2. *грам.* определённый  
the definite article - определённый артикль
3. *бот.*  
1) константный  
2) цимозный (*о соцветии*)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**def-in-ite** *AW* [definite definites] adjective, noun *BrE* [ˈdefɪnəɪt] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE*[ˈdefɪnəɪt] <sup>m</sup>

adjective

1. ~ (that...) sure or certain; unlikely to change
  - Can you give me a definite answer by tomorrow?
  - Is it definite that he's leaving?
  - I've heard rumours, but nothing definite.
  - a definite offer of a job
  - I'm not sure— I can find out **for definite** if you like.
  - That's definite then, is it?
  - They have very definite ideas on how to bring up children.
2. easily or clearly seen or understood; obvious  
**Syn:** ↑clear
  - The look on her face was a definite sign that something was wrong.
  - There was a definite feeling that things were getting worse.
3. **not before noun** ~ (about something) | ~ (that...) (of a person) sure that sth is true or that sth is going to happen and stating it to other people
  - I'm definite about this.

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from Latin **definitus** 'defined, set within limits', past participle of **definire**, from **de-** (expressing completion) + **finire** 'finish'.

Thesaurus:**definite** *adj.*

1.

- I can't give you a definite answer.

**certain** • **sure** • **conclusive** • **bound** • **guaranteed** • **written assured** •

definite/certain/conclusive **that...**

certain/sure/bound/guaranteed **to do sth**

**seem** definite/certain/sure/conclusive/bound to.../guaranteed/assured

2.

- There was a definite feeling that things were getting worse.

**distinct** • **clear** • **noticeable** • **unmistakable** • **decided** • **obvious** • **striking** • **sharp** • **especially written marked** •

• **pronounced** •

a definite/distinct/clear/noticeable/decided/obvious/striking/sharp/marked/pronounced **improvement**

a definite/distinct/clear/noticeable/obvious/striking/sharp/marked/pronounced **difference**

a definite/distinct/clear/obvious/unmistakable **sense of sth**

**Definite, marked or pronounced?** **Definite** is used most often to talk about things that you can see or feel; **marked** is used most often in a business context; **pronounced** is used most often to talk about physical or personal characteristics

- a definite smell of gas

- a marked effect on sales

- a pronounced limp

Synonyms:**certain**

**bound** • **sure** • **definite** • **guaranteed**

These are all words describing sth that will definitely happen or is definitely true.

**certain** • that you can rely on to happen or be true: ▫ It's certain that they will agree. ▫ They are certain to agree.

**bound** • [not before noun] certain to happen, or to do or be sth. **Bound** is only used in the phrase **bound to do/be, etc.**: ▫ There are bound to be changes when the new system is introduced. ▫ You've done so much work— you're bound to pass the exam.

**sure** • certain to happen or be true; that can be trusted or relied on: ▪ She's sure to be picked for the team. ◊▪ It's sure to rain.  
**definite** • (rather informal) certain to happen; that is not going to change: ▪ Is it definite that he's leaving?  
**guaranteed** • certain to have a particular result: ▪ That kind of behaviour is guaranteed to make him angry.  
 certain/sure **of** sth  
 certain/bound/sure/guaranteed **to do sth**  
 certain/definite **that...**  
 I **couldn't say for** certain/sure/definite.

Example Bank:

- He was pretty definite about the price.
- She has very definite views on this subject.
- Have they made you a definite offer of a job?
- I need a definite yes or no.
- I'm not sure— I can find out for definite if you like.
- I've heard rumours, but nothing definite.
- Is it definite that he's leaving?

**noun singular (informal)**

sth that you are certain about or that you know will happen; sb who is sure to do sth

- 'We're moving our office to Glasgow.' 'That's a definite, is it?'
- 'Is Sarah coming to the party?' 'Yes, she's a definite.'

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**defɪˈnɪt** **S3 AC** /'defɪnət, 'defɪnɪt, 'defənət/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> **adjective**

[Word Family: **verb**: ↑define; **noun**: ↑definition; **adverb**: ↑definitely ≠ ↑indefinitely; **adjective**: ↑definite ≠ ↑indefinite]

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[Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: definitus, past participle of definire; ⇒ ↑define]

1. clearly known, seen, or stated **SYN clear** **OPP indefinite** :

- It's impossible for me to give you a definite answer.
- We need to record sufficient data to enable definite conclusions to be reached.
- He'd shown definite signs of resigning himself to the situation.

2. a definite arrangement, promise etc will happen in the way that someone has said ⇒ **indefinite** :

- Fix a definite date for the delivery of your computer.

3. [not before noun] saying something very firmly so that people understand exactly what you mean

**definite about**

- She's not definite about retiring from the game.

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**THESAURUS**

- **certain** if something is certain, you are completely sure that it will happen or is true: Success seems certain. | It is almost certain that there will be a change of government. | Nobody knows exactly who built the manor, but it is certain that an architect called John Sturges supplied the drawings.
- **definite** if something is definite, it is certain because someone has officially stated that it will happen, is true etc: I hope you can give me a definite answer soon. | The wedding will be next summer but a definite date has not been arranged yet. | I've got a good chance of getting the job, but it's not definite yet.
- **inevitable** if something, especially something bad, is inevitable, it is certain to happen and you cannot do anything to prevent it: War now seems inevitable. | It was inevitable that he would find out her secret sooner or later. | Facial wrinkles are the inevitable result of aging.
- **be bound to** if something is bound to happen, it is very likely to happen, especially because that is what usually happens in that kind of situation. **Be bound to** is less formal than **certain** and is very common in everyday spoken English: The kids are bound to be hungry when they get home – they always are. | My car broke down today. It was bound to happen sooner or later.
- **be assured of something** *formal* to be certain to get something good, or to be successful: After the success of its recent single, the band is now assured of a contract with a major record company. | He is virtually assured of becoming the next prime minister. | Our clients are assured of comfortable accommodation and the attention of our trained staff.
- **something is a foregone conclusion** if something is a foregone conclusion, its result is certain even though it has not happened yet: They were winning by such a large margin that victory seemed to be a foregone conclusion. | Party members believe it is a foregone conclusion that he will resign.

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RANGE: **1k** **DEFINITE** 29165

definite 2928

definitely 19368

definitive 3163

definitively 753

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