**ambitious** Apresyan (En-Ru)

[æm'bı∫əs] *a* 

1. честолюбивый

extremely ambitious - крайне честолюбивый

ruthlessly /mercilessly/ ambitious - не останавливающийся ни перед чем в своих честолюбивых замыслах

2. стремящийся (к чему-л.); страстно добивающийся (чего-л.)

ambitious of wealth [honour] - стремящийся к богатству [к почестям]

ambitious of love - домогающийся (чьей-л.) любви

he is ambitious of /for/ power - он домогается власти /стремится к власти/; он властолюбив

ambitious to do smth. - мечтающий сделать что-л.

3. трудолюбивый; активный, энергичный; инициативный

an ambitious boy - старательныйюноша

the new worker is not at all ambitious - новый сотрудник какой-то вялый

4. требующий огромных усилий, необычайных способностей  $u\ m.\ n.$ ; грандиозный, величественный

ambitious plans - величественные замыслы, далеко идущие планы ambitious program - обширная /грандиозная/ программа

an ambitious attempt to climb the dangerous mountain - смелая попытка покорить опасный пик

5. претенциозный изысканный, вычурный

ambitious style - вычурный стиль

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

am·bi·tious BrE [æmˈbɪʃəs] \*\* NAmE [æmˈbɪʃəs] \*\* adjective

- 1. determined to be successful, rich, powerful, etc
  - a fiercely ambitious young manager
  - They were very ambitious for their children (= they wanted them to be successful) .
- 2. needing a lot of effort, money or time to succeed
  - · the government's ambitious plans for social reform
  - · Jogging every morning? That's very ambitious, isn't it?

Opp: †unambitious

Derived Word †ambitiously

## Word Origin:

[ambitious ambitiously] late Middle English: from Old French ambitieux or Latin ambitiosus, from ambitio, from ambire 'go around (canvassing for votes)'.

## Example Bank:

- Phases 2 and 3 seem overly ambitious.
- · She is very ambitious for her four children.
- The book is ambitious in scope.
- · I am very ambitious. Nothing means more to me than winning.
- · I'm not ambitious enough to try for the top.
- I've never been particularly ambitious.
- She's a great student— dedicated, hardworking and ambitious.
- · The students are all ambitious to do well.
- They became fiercely ambitious for the boy.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

am bi tious /æm'bɪ[əs/ BrE \* AmE \* adjective

- 1. determined to be successful, rich, powerful etc:
  - Alfred was intensely ambitious, obsessed with the idea of becoming rich.

ambitious for

- mothers who are highly ambitious for their children (=who want their children to be successful)
- 2. an ambitious plan, idea etc shows a desire to do something good but difficult:
  - an ambitious engineering project
  - an over-ambitious health reform program

—ambitiously adverb

—ambitiousness noun [uncountable]

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