

contradiction[ˌkɒntrəˈdɪkʃ(ə)n] *n*

1. противоречие; несоответствие; расхождение
to be in contradiction (with) - противоречить чему-л.
your attitude is in contradiction with your character - ваша позиция не вяжется с вашим характером
contradiction in terms - логическая несообразность
2. опровержение
an official contradiction of the rumours - официальное опровержение слухов
3. противоречие, несогласие, возражение
spirit of contradiction - дух противоречия
he spoke without fear of contradiction - он говорил, не опасаясь, что ему будут возражать

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con-tra-dic-tion **AW** [contradiction contradictions] *BrE* [ˌkɒntrəˈdɪkʃn] ⁴ *NAmE*[ˌkɑːntrəˈdɪkʃən] *noun*

1. **countable, uncountable** ~ (between A and B) a lack of agreement between facts, opinions, actions, etc
 - There is a contradiction between the two sets of figures.
 - His public speeches are **in direct contradiction to** his personal lifestyle.
 - How can we resolve this apparent contradiction?
2. **uncountable, countable** the act of saying that sth that sb else has said is wrong or not true; an example of this
 - I think I can say, **without fear of contradiction**, that...
 - Now you say you both left at ten— that's a contradiction of your last statement.

Idiom: ↑ **contradiction in terms**Word Origin:late Middle English: via Old French from Latin **contradictio(n-)**, from the verb **contradicere**, originally **contra dicere** 'speak against'.Example Bank:

- That's in direct contradiction to what he said yesterday.
- The idea is almost a contradiction in terms.
- There is an apparent contradiction between the needs of workers and those of employers.
- There's a basic contradiction in the whole idea of paying for justice.

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con-tra-dic-tion **AC** /ˌkɒntrəˈdɪkʃən \$ ˌkɑːntrə- *BrE* ⁴ *AmE* ⁴ *noun*[Word Family: **verb:** ↑ **contradict**; **noun:** ↑ **contradiction**; **adjective:** ↑ **contradictory**]

1. [**countable**] a difference between two statements, beliefs, or ideas about something that means they cannot both be true:
apparent contradictions in the defendant's testimony
contradiction between
" a contradiction between the government's ideas and its actual policy
2. [**uncountable**] the act of saying that someone else's opinion, statement etc is wrong or not true:
You can say what you like without fear of contradiction.
3. **a contradiction in terms** a combination of words that seem to be the opposite of each other, with the result that the phrase has no clear meaning:
" 'Permanent revolution' is a contradiction in terms.
4. **in (direct) contradiction to something** in a way that is opposite to a belief or statement:
" Your behaviour is in direct contradiction to the principles you claim to have.

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