**corruption** Apresyan (En-Ru)

[ke'rnp](e)n] n

1. порча, гниение

corruption of the body - разложение трупа

- 2. развращённость, моральное разложение
- 3. продажность, коррупция
- 4. искажение (*текста и т. п.*)

## corruption

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

cor·rup·tion [corruption corruptions] BrE [kəˈrʌp[n] \*\* NAmE [kəˈrʌp[n] \*\* noun

- 1. uncountable dishonest or illegal behaviour, especially of people in authority
  - allegations of bribery and corruption
- The new district attorney has promised to fight police corruption.
- 2. uncountable the act or effect of making sb change from moral to immoral standards of behaviour
  - He claimed that sex and violence on TV led to the corruption of young people.
- 3. countable, usually singular the form of a word or phrase that has become changed from its original form in some way
- The word 'holiday' is a corruption of 'holy day'.

### Word Origin:

Middle English: via Old French from Latin corruptio(n-), from corrumpere 'mar, bribe, destroy', from cor- 'altogether' + rumpere 'to break'.

### Thesaurus:

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• There were allegations of bribery and corruption among senior officials.

bribery · · extortion · · blackmail ·

alleged corruption/bribery/extortion

attempted bribery/extortion/blackmail

be involved in corruption/bribery/extortion

# Collocations:

#### Crime

Committing a crime

commit a crime/a murder/a violent assault/a brutal killing/an armed robbery/fraud

be involved in terrorism/a suspected arson attack/people smuggling/human trafficking

engage /participate in criminal activity/illegal practices/acts of mindless vandalism

steal sb's wallet/purse/(BrE) mobile phone/(NAmE) cell phone

rob a bank/a person/a tourist

break into/ (BrE) burgle/ (NAmE) burglarize a house/a home/an apartment

hijack a plane/ship/bus

smuggle drugs/weapons/arms/immigrants

launder drug money (through sth)

forge documents/certificates/passports

take/accept/pay sb/offer (sb) a bribe

run a phishing/an email/an Internet scam

# Fighting crime

combat/fight crime/terrorism/corruption/drug trafficking

prevent/stop credit-card fraud/child abuse/software piracy

deter/stop criminals/burglars/thieves/shoplifters/vandals

reduce/tackle/crack down on knife/gun/violent/street crime; (especially BrE) antisocial behaviour

foil a bank raid/a terrorist plot

help/support/protect the victims of crime

## Investigating crime

report a crime/a theft/a rape/an attack/(especially BrE) an incident to the police

witness the crime/attack/murder/incident

investigate a murder/(especially NAmE) a homicide/a burglary/a robbery/the alleged incident

conduct/launch/pursue an investigation (into...); (especially BrE) a police/murder inquiry

investigate/reopen a criminal/murder case

examine /investigate/find fingerprints at the crime scene/the scene of crime

collect/gather forensic evidence

uncover new evidence/a fraud/a scam/a plot/a conspiracy/political corruption/a cache of weapons

describe/identify a suspect/the culprit/the perpetrator/the assailant/the attacker

question/interrogate a suspect/witness

solve/crack the case

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# Example Bank:

- He strongly attacked corruption and favouritism in the government
- · She was brought down by a corruption scandal.
- The corruption allegations proved false.
- This police unit was established to fight corruption.
- · corruption among high-ranking government officials
- · corruption in government
- · There were allegations of bribery and corruption.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

corruption /kəˈrʌpʃən/ BrE AmE noun

- 1. [uncountable] dishonest, illegal, or immoral behaviour, especially from someone with power:
  - officials charged with bribery and corruption
  - The investigation uncovered widespread corruption within the police force.

## political/official corruption

2. [countable usually singular] technical a changed form of something, for example a word:

The word 'Thursday' is a corruption of 'Thor's Day'.

### **COLLOCATIONS**

# ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + corruption

- rife (=very common) Corruption was rife in the south of the country.
- endemic (=always present) Firstly, we need to tackle the corruption that is endemic in the system.
- political/financial corruption It is a country with a long history of political corruption.
- widespread corruption The election campaign was marred by widespread corruption.
- alleged corruption (=that someone is accused of, but that is not proved) He is about to be investigated for alleged corruption.
- government/police corruption There has been plenty of evidence of police corruption.
- high-level corruption (=among people at a high level in society or government) He has promised to end high-level corruption.
- moral corruption Some people see television as a cause of moral corruption in young people.

### verbs

- fight/tackle corruption (=try to stop it) He criticized the government for failing to fight corruption in high places.
- root out corruption (=find and stop it) a new campaign to root out corruption
- stamp out corruption (=stop it completely) The party's chairman called for action to stamp out corruption.
- expose/uncover corruption (=show that it exists) The newspaper prided itself on exposing corruption in government.

## phrases

- allegations /accusations/charges of corruption He has strongly denied allegations of corruption.
- bribery and corruption the major crimes of bribery and corruption

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