# worthy

1. видная фигура

#### 2. преим. ирон. разг. важная птица, важная особа; «шишка»

local worthies - сливки местного общества

### 2. ['wɜ:ði] a

1. (часто of) достойный; заслуживающий

- worthy adversary достойный противник
- worthy life честно прожитая жизнь
- worthy of praise /to be praised/ достойный похвалы
- worthy of punishment /of being punished, to be punished/ заслуживающий наказания

the plan is worthy of consideration - этот план заслуживает рассмотрения

poetry worthy of the name - подлинная поэзия

it is worthy of note that ... - следует заметить, что ..., примечательно, что ...

## 2. соответствующий, подобающий

a speech worthy of the occasion - речь, подобающая случаю

3. арх. почтенный, достойный

worthy man - достойный человек

4. (-worthy) как компонент сложных слов заслуживающий ...; достойный ...

noteworthy - заслуживающий внимания

blameworthy - достойный порицания

praiseworthy - похвальный

# worthy

#### worthy [worthy worthies worthier worthiest] adjective, noun BrE ['wa□ǧi<sup>\*</sup> NAmE ['wa□rǧi<sup>\*\*</sup>

#### adjective (wor-thier, wor-thi-est)

- 1. ~ (of sb/sth) (formal) having the qualities that deserve sb/sth
- to be worthy of attention
- A number of the report's findings are worthy of note .
- No composer was considered worthy of the name until he had written an opera.
- a worthy champion (= one who deserved to win)
- He felt he was not worthy of her.

### **Opp:** <sup>†</sup>unworthy

#### 2. usually before noun having qualities that deserve your respect, attention or admiration

#### Syn: †deserving

- The money we raise will be going to a very worthy cause .
- a worthy member of the team
- 3. having good qualities but not very interesting or exciting
- her worthy but dull husband
- 4. ~ of sb/sth typical of what a particular person or thing might do, give, etc
- He gave a speech that was worthy of Martin Luther King.
- 5. -worthy (in compounds) deserving or suitable for, the thing mentioned
- trustworthy
- roadworthy

Word Origin: Middle English: from <sup>†</sup>worth + <sup>†</sup>-y.

# Example Bank:

- The matter is hardly worthy of the managing director's time.
- We thought it was a worthy enough objective.
- a morally worthy action
- A number of the report's findings are worthy of note.
- · He's a very worthy man, I suppose, but he's very dull.
- In Mason we have a worthy new champion.
- Several of our members are worthy of particular mention.
- She felt she was not worthy to be on the stage with all these glamorous people.
- The money we raise will be going to a very worthy cause.
- Very few of his ideas are worthy of further attention.

# <u>Derived Words</u> **†worthily** = **†worthiness**

# noun (pl. worthies)(often humorous)

# an important person

a meeting attended by local worthies

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[Word Family: noun: <sup>†</sup>worth, <sup>†</sup>worthlessness, <sup>†</sup>worthy, <sup>†</sup>unworthiness; adjective: worth, <sup>†</sup>worthless, <sup>†</sup>worthwhile, <sup>†</sup>worthy ≠ <sup>†</sup>unworthy]

### 1. [only before noun] deserving respect from people:

Leeds United were worthy winners of the competition.

a worthy opponent

2. be worthy of something to deserve to be thought about or treated in a particular way:

A couple of other books are worthy of mention.

a teacher who is worthy of respect

3. be worthy of somebody *informal* to be as good as something that a particular person would do:

a goal that was worthy of any of the great footballers of the world

4. I'm/We're not worthy spoken used humorously to say that you consider it a great honour to be with someone because they are famous, or much more skilful at doing something than you are

## 5. formal trying to help other people:

- The money will go to a worthy cause.
- I'm sure his motives were worthy.

### **II. worthy**<sup>2</sup> *BrE*<sup>\*</sup> *AmE*<sup>\*</sup> *noun* (*plural* **worthies**) [countable]

[Word Family: noun: †worth, †worthlessness, †worthy, †unworthiness; adjective: worth, †worthless, †worthwhile, †worthy = †unworthy]

informal someone who is important and should be respected:

We were met by a group of local worthies.

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