

**relationship**[rɪˈleɪʃ(ə)nʃɪp] *n*

- 1) **взаимоотношения, отношения**  
a relationship with /between, to/ smb. - отношения с кем-л.  
legal relationship - **юр.** правоотношение  
he had a good relationship with his family - у него; были хорошие отношения с семьёй /в семье/  
strategic relationship between the two countries - **воен.** стратегическое взаимоотношение между двумя странами
- 2) **соотношение**  
whole-part relationship - отношение целого к части  
strategic force relationship - **воен.** соотношение стратегических сил  
stability of the strategic nuclear relationship - стабильность соотношения стратегических ядерных сил  
to show the relationship between two things - показать как один предмет соотносится с другим
2. 1) **родство, родственные отношения**  
in-law relationship, relationship by marriage - свойство
- 2) **юр.** кровное родство
3. **эвф.** (любовная) связь  
I'm having a relationship with him - ≅ я с ним встречаюсь

**relationship**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**re-la-tion-ship** [relationship relationships] *BrE* [rɪˈleɪʃnʃɪp] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE*[rɪˈleɪʃnʃɪp] <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun**

1. **countable** the way in which two people, groups or countries behave towards each other or deal with each other
  - ~ **(between A and B)** The relationship between the police and the local community has improved
  - ~ **(with sb)** She has a very **close relationship** with her sister.
  - I have established a good **working relationship** with my boss.
  - a master-servant relationship**see also** ↑love-hate relationship
2. **countable** ~ **(between A and B)** | ~ **(with sb)** a loving and/or sexual friendship between two people
  - Their affair did not develop into a lasting relationship.
  - She's had a series of miserable relationships.
  - Are you **in a relationship** ?
  - Money problems have put a strain on their relationship.
3. **countable, uncountable** the way in which two or more things are connected
  - ~ **(between A and B)** the relationship between mental and physical health
  - ~ **(to sth)** This comment **bore no relationship to** the subject of our conversation.
  - People alter their voices **in relationship to** background noise.
  - an inverse relationship
4. **countable, uncountable** the way in which a person is related to sb else in a family
  - a father-son relationship
  - ~ **between A and B** I'm not sure of the exact relationship between them— I think they're cousins.

Thesaurus:**relationship** **noun**

1. **C, U**
  - I have a good working relationship with my boss.**relations** • **partnership** • **bond** • **rapport** • **tie** • **link** • **association** • |especially business **contact** •  
(a/an) relationship/relations/partnership/bond/rapport/ties/link/association/contacts **with** sb/sth  
(a/an) relationship/relations/partnership/bond/rapport/ties/links/association **between** A and B  
(a) **close** relationship/relations/partnership/bond/rapport/ties/links/association/contacts  
**have/develop** (a/an) relationship/relations/partnership/bond/rapport/ties/links/association/contacts  
**Relationship or relations?** **Relations** is often used to talk about how good or bad the relationship between people, groups or countries is
  - strained/difficult/cordial/harmonious/improved relations

**Relationships** are often more personal than **relations**

- international/race/cultural relations
  - interpersonal/one-to-one/parent-child relationships
2. **C**
    - He was not married but he was in a stable relationship.**romance** • **affair** • **love affair** • |formal **liaison** •  
a/an relationship/romance/affair/love affair/liaison **with** sb  
a/an relationship/romance/affair/love affair/liaison **between** A and B  
a **brief/long/passionate** relationship/romance/affair/love affair  
**have** a/an relationship/romance/affair/love affair/liaison

Example Bank:

- A clear relationship emerged in the study between happiness and level of education.
- At the moment he isn't in a relationship.
- Britain's special relationship with the US
- Building strong relationships is essential.

- He claimed to have a distant relationship with royalty.
- He had brief relationships with several women.
- He was not married, but he was in a stable relationship.
- He's not very good at handling personal relationships.
- His latest book examines the relationship between spatial awareness and mathematical ability.
- I can't see the relationship between the figures and the diagram.
- I tried everything to make our relationship work.
- In normal human relationships there has to be some give and take.
- Lack of trust destroys many relationships.
- No statistically significant relationship existed between the occurrences.
- Our research will explore the relationships among these variables.
- She broke off the relationship when she found out about his gambling.
- Some people think only about themselves, even in family relationships.
- The different varieties of the language are in a dynamic relationship with each other.
- The fee bears little relationship to the service provided
- The focus is on relationships among European countries.
- The play is about power relationships at work.
- The school has a very good relationship with the community.
- Their relationship has always been a stormy one.
- There's a close relationship between increased money supply and inflation.
- They discovered a relationship between depression and lack of sunlight.
- They enjoyed a close working relationship.
- They established a relationship of trust.
- They have a very healthy father-son relationship.
- We want to improve the relationship that exists between the university and industry.
- What relationship are you to Pat?
- Women and men stand in a different relationship to language.
- the inverse relationship between gas consumption and air temperature
- the relationship of a parasite to its host
- the symbiotic relationship between corals and algae
- their relationship to each other
- I'm not sure of the exact relationship between them— I think they're cousins.
- She has a love-hate relationship with her job.
- She's had a series of miserable relationships.
- There is an inverse relationship between disability and social contact.
- a father-son/mother-daughter relationship

## relationship

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re | la | tion | ship **S1 W1** /rɪ'leɪʃənʃɪp/ *BrE* <sup>ˌ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˌ</sup> *noun*

[Word Family: **noun**: ↑relation, relations, ↑relationship, ↑relative; **adjective**: ↑related ≠ ↑unrelated, ↑relative; **verb**: ↑relate; **adverb**: ↑relatively]

1. [countable] the way in which two people or two groups feel about each other and behave towards each other

**relationship with**

" I have quite a good relationship with my parents.

**relationship between**

" the special relationship between Britain and the US

2. [uncountable and countable] the way in which two or more things are connected and affect each other

**relationship between**

" the relationship between diet and health problems

**relationship to**

" He's studying politics and its relationship to the media.

" The lessons bear little relationship (=they are not connected to) the children's needs.

3. [countable] a situation in which two people spend time together or live together, and have romantic or sexual feelings for each other:

" He's never had a sexual relationship before.

**relationship with**

" She doesn't really want a relationship with me.

**in a relationship**

" Are you in a relationship right now?

4. [uncountable] the way in which you are related to someone in your family

**relationship to**

" 'What's your relationship to Sue?' 'She's my cousin.'

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### COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 1)

#### ■ verbs

- **have a relationship** We've always had a good relationship with our neighbours.
- **develop/form/build a relationship** By that age, children start developing relationships outside the family.
- **forge a relationship** (=develop a strong relationship) We want to forge closer relationships with our allies.
- **cement a relationship** (=make it firm and strong) We want to cement relationships with other transport associations.

- **make relationships** I found it impossible to make new relationships.

### ADJECTIVES/NOUN + relationship

- **good/great** Over the years, we've developed a good relationship.
- **close** Laura had a very close relationship with her grandmother.
- **friendly/harmonious** My friendly relationship with Scott's family continued after his death.
- **strong** Our relationship is strong enough to survive anything.
- **a love-hate relationship** (=when someone both likes and dislikes someone else) The local people have a love-hate relationship with tourists.
- **a special relationship** (=a particularly close relationship) I did not want to risk losing this special relationship we shared.
- **a supportive relationship** People lacking supportive relationships were expected to be prone to depression.
- **a working relationship** (=a relationship appropriate for people who work together) She's a fine actress and we developed a great working relationship.
- **family relationships** Travelling a lot for business can strain family relationships.
- **a personal relationship** Drinking affects personal relationships.
- **human relationships** Human relationships fascinate me.
- **a social relationship** Satisfactory social relationships with adults are very important.
- **a business/professional relationship** Both companies want to continue their business relationship into the future.
- **the doctor-patient/parent-child/teacher-student etc relationship** A family crisis can adversely affect the developing parent-child relationship.

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### COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

#### adjectives

- **a close relationship** The evidence points to a close relationship between poverty and disease.
- **a strong/significant relationship** Studies show a significant relationship between smoking and heart disease.
- **a direct relationship** (=when one thing has an effect or influence on another, without any other things being involved) There is a direct relationship between the demand for a particular product and its price.
- **an inverse relationship** *technical* (=so that when one is great, the other is small) We concluded that there will be an inverse relationship between the market price of the bond and its true yield.
- **a causal relationship** (=when one thing causes another) the causal relationship between cigarette smoking and lung cancer

#### verbs

- **bear no/little relationship to something** The allegations bore no relationship to the facts.
- **establish a relationship** (=prove that it exists) The book tries to establish a relationship between the war and social unrest in Europe.
- **a relationship exists** No relationship exists between the size of the prison population and the level of crime.

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### THESAURUS

- **relationship** when two people spend time together or live together because they are romantically or sexually attracted to each other: After her marriage broke up, she had a series of disastrous relationships. | **relationship with**: I don't want to start a relationship with her, because I'm going back to South Africa. | **relationship between**: Relationships between people of different cultures are often extremely difficult. | **be in a relationship**: Why are all the interesting men I meet already in relationships? | **sexual relationship**: Several of the psychiatrists admitted to having sexual relationships with patients. | **romantic relationship**: Even at 35, Bobby seemed unable to commit to a romantic relationship.
- **affair** a secret sexual relationship between two people, when one or both of them is married to someone else: The affair had been going on for years before her husband found out. | **affair with**: I had no idea that Mike had an affair with Carolyn! | **love affair**: Burton had been involved in a love affair with a woman who ended up taking most of his money.
- **fling** a short and not very serious relationship: Yes, I did go out with him, but it was just a fling. | She wasn't interested in anything more than a casual fling. | **fling with**: She left her husband after she learned about his fling with an exotic dancer. | **have a fling**: They had a fling years ago.
- **romance** an exciting and often short relationship between two people who feel very much in love with each other: It was a beautiful summer romance, but they knew it couldn't last. | Richard and Penny had made no great secret of their romance, even though they were both married. | **romance with**: My romance with Lois did not survive our high school graduation.

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### COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 3)

#### verbs

- **be in a relationship** Valerie and I have been in a relationship for five years.
- **end/break off a relationship** She was very upset when I ended the relationship.
- **start/begin a relationship** She is in no hurry to start another relationship.

#### adjectives

- **a sexual relationship** He admitted having a sexual relationship with a patient.
- **a serious/steady relationship** (=one that lasts quite a long time) It was his first serious relationship.
- **a long-term relationship** I have a seven-year-old daughter from a previous long-term relationship.
- **an on-off relationship** (=happening sometimes and not at other times) Their on-off relationship seemed to have come to an end two years ago.
- **a stormy/turbulent relationship** (=one that involves many arguments) It had been a stormy relationship and there were frequent drunken rows.

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