patience

['pei∫(ə)ns] *n*

1. терпение, терпеливость

to try /to tax/ smb.'s patience - испытывать чьё-л. терпение

his patience was severely tried - его терпение подверглось жестокому испытанию

to put smb. out of patience - выводить кого-л. из терпения to exercise patience - проявлять терпение, терпеть

2. настойчивость, упорство

to labour with patience - упорно трудиться

3. карт. пасьянс

to play patience - раскладывать пасьянс

⊘ the patience of Job - терпение Иова; ≅ ангельское терпение

patience of a monument - воплощённое терпение

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

pa-tience BrE ['peI[ns] NAmE ['peI[ns] noun uncountable

- 1. ~ (with sb/sth) the ability to stay calm and accept a delay or sth annoying without complaining
- · She has little patience with (= will not accept or consider) such views.
- People have lost patience with (= have become annoyed about) the slow pace of reform.
- I have run out of patience with her.
- My patience is wearing thin.
- Teaching children with special needs requires patience and understanding.
- You'd try the patience of a saint!
- 2. the ability to spend a lot of time doing sth difficult that needs a lot of attention and effort
- · It takes time and patience to photograph wildlife.
- I don't have the patience to do jigsaw puzzles.
- 3. (BrE) (NAmE soli-taire) a card game for only one player

see the patience of Job at Job, try sb's patience at try

See also: *solitaire*

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French, from Latin patientia, from patient- 'suffering', from the verb pati.

Thesaurus:

patience [patience] noun U

• I have run out of patience with her. tolerance · · resignation ·

Opp: impatience

patience/tolerance for sb/sth with patience/tolerance/resignation have/lack/require/show/exercise/learn patience/tolerance

Example Bank:

- · He has little patience for people who don't work.
- Her patience snapped and she walked out.
- His advisers are trying to counsel patience.
- I find it hard to keep my patience with them.
- I have little patience with fundamentalists of any kind.
- It is clear that they are out of patience with me.
- Meg could see Kirk's patience was running out, so she shut up.
- · Our patience was finally rewarded and we got the band's autographs.
- · She listened with infinite patience to his excuses.
- The children were beginning to try my patience.
- The fans were losing patience with the team.
- These endless meetings are enough to tax the patience of a saint.
- They thanked him for showing so much patience.
- We eventually ran out of patience with him.
- · We eventually ran out of patience with his childish behaviour.
- · People have lost patience with the slow pace of reforms.
- She has little patience with such views.

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[Word Family: noun: \uparrow patience $\neq \uparrow$ impatience, \uparrow patient; adverb \uparrow patiently $\neq \uparrow$ impatiently; adjective: \uparrow patient $\neq \uparrow$ impatient] 1. the ability to continue waiting or doing something for a long time without becoming angry or anxious OPP impatience :

I wouldn't have the patience to sit sewing all day. infinite/unlimited/endless patience

Apresyan (En-Ru)

- a good listener who has infinite patience
- 2. the ability to accept trouble and other people's annoying behaviour without complaining or becoming angry:
- You'll need patience and understanding if you're going to be a teacher.
- have little/no patience with somebody

She has no patience with time-wasters.

- lose/run out of patience (with somebody) (=stop being patient and get angry)
- ^{*} I'm beginning to lose patience with you people.
- It will take time and patience to get these changes accepted.
- Celia's <u>patience</u> suddenly <u>snapped</u> and she told them to shut up.
- the patience of Job/the patience of a saint (=very great patience when someone is annoying you)

Henry's negative attitude is beginning to try my patience (=make me lose my patience).

- 3. (have) patience used to tell someone to wait calmly:
 - Patience, my dear. Some things take time.

4. British English a card game for one player SYN solitaire American English

COLLOCATIONS (for Meanings 1 & 2)

verbs

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- have the patience to do something He didn't have the patience to listen to another point of view.
- have little/no patience with somebody I'm afraid I have little patience with bureaucrats and their official rules.
- lose patience (with somebody) Eventually his family lost patience with him and his irresponsible behaviour.
- run out of patience (with somebody) She was wonderful with the children, and never ran out of patience.

• try/test/tax somebody's patience (=make it difficult for someone to continue to be patient) The guy at the desk was beginning to try my patience.

exhaust somebody's patience (=make someone lose patience) He turned away from me, as if I had exhausted his patience.
somebody's patience is wearing thin (=they are becoming angry) People's patience is wearing thin as the queues for visas get longer.

• **somebody's patience snaps** (*=they suddenly show their anger*) Celia's patience snapped when he dropped a second glass of wine on the carpet.

• somebody's patience is rewarded (=they get what they were hoping and waiting to get) After two hours, their patience was rewarded and they saw the bird.

adjectives

- great patience Painting by this method requires great patience.
- infinite/endless/unlimited patience She was lucky to have a maths teacher with infinite patience.
- phrases
- the patience of Job/a saint (=very great patience) Those children would try the patience of a saint.

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