

dilute

1. [ˌdaɪˈl(j)uːt] *a*
 1. разведённый, разбавленный
 2. 1) ослабленный, слабый; обескровленный
 - 2) смягчённый, приглушённый (о цвете)
2. [daɪˈl(j)uːt] *v*
 1. (with) разбавлять, разжижать, разводить; растворять
to dilute wine (with water) - разбавлять вино (водой)
to dilute gases - разрезать газы
 2. 1) лишать яркости (краску)
 - 2) выцветать
 3. ослаблять, подрывать; выхолащивать
to dilute smb.'s objections - свести на нет чьи-л. возражения
to dilute smb.'s earnestness - охладить чей-л. пыл
 4. *горн.* разубоживать

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

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di-lute [dilute dilutes diluted diluting] *verb, adjective* *BrE* [daɪˈluːt] *BrE*
 [daɪˈljʊːt] *NA mE* [daɪˈluːt]

verb

1. ~ **sth (with sth)** to make a liquid weaker by adding water or another liquid to it
Syn: water down
 - The paint can be diluted with water to make a lighter shade.
2. ~ **sth** to make sth weaker or less effective
Syn: water down
 - Large classes dilute the quality of education that children receive.

Verb forms:

| verb forms | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| present simple | |
| I / you / we / they | dilute |
| | BrE /dɪz 'luːt/ |
| | BrE /dɪz 'juːt/ |
| | NA mE /dɪz 'luːt/ |
| he / she / it | dilutes |
| | BrE /dɪz 'luːtɪz/ |
| | BrE /dɪz 'juːtɪz/ |
| | NA mE /dɪz 'luːtɪz/ |
| past simple, past participle | diluted |
| | BrE /dɪz 'luːtɪd/ |
| | BrE /dɪz 'juːtɪd/ |
| | NA mE /dɪz 'luːtɪd/ |
| -ing form | diluting |
| | BrE /dɪz 'luːtɪŋ/ |
| | BrE /dɪz 'juːtɪŋ/ |
| | NA mE /dɪz 'luːtɪŋ/ |

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Example Bank:

- The effect of this policy has now been considerably diluted.
- The fragrances are highly diluted.
- The perfumes are diluted in vegetable oils.

Derived Word ↑ **dilution**

adjective (also **di-luted**) (of a liquid)

made weaker by adding water or another substance

- a **dilute acid/solution**

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I. **dilute** ¹ /daɪˈluːt, dɪˈluːt, daɪ-/ *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ *verb* [transitive]
 [Date: 1500-1600; Language: Latin; Origin: dilutus, past participle of diluere 'to wash away']

1. to make a liquid weaker by adding water or another liquid ⇒ **water down**:
 diluted fruit juice

dilute something with/in something

Dilute the paint with a little oil.

2. to make a quality, belief etc weaker or less effective **SYN water down**:
 an attempt to dilute the proposals

—dilution /daɪˈluːʃən/ *noun* [uncountable and countable]:

Any dilution of standards must be resisted.

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THESAURUS

■ to mix foods, liquids etc

- **mix** to put different substances or liquids together so that they can no longer be separated: Mix yellow and blue paint to make green. | This cake is really easy – you just mix everything together in the bowl. | Concrete is made by mixing gravel with sand, cement, and water.
- **combine** to mix things together so that they form a single substance. **Combine** is more formal than **mix**: Combine the flour and the eggs. | Steel is produced by combining iron with carbon.
- **stir** to move a spoon or stick around in a liquid, a pan etc, especially when you are mixing things together: Keep stirring until the sauce becomes thicker. | Stir the sugar into the warm milk. | Stir the paint before you use it.
- **blend** to mix together soft or liquid substances to form a single smooth substance: Blend the yogurt with fresh fruit for a great drink.
- **beat** to mix food together quickly and thoroughly using a fork or kitchen tool – used especially about eggs: Beat the eggs and add them to the milk and flour.
- **whisk** to mix foods that are soft or liquid very quickly so that air is mixed in, using a fork or special tool: Whisk the egg whites until they form soft peaks.
- **dilute** to mix a liquid with water in order to make it weaker: Dilute the bleach with two parts water to one part bleach.

II. dilute² BrE⁴ AmE⁴ adjective

a dilute liquid has been made weaker by the addition of water or another liquid **OPP concentrated** :

⁴ dilute hydrochloric acid

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