

imperative**1. [ɪm'perətɪv] n**

1. 1) обязанность, долг

moral imperative - моральный долг

2) приказ, приказание; требование; императив

the imperatives of our era - веления времени

2. **грам.** повелительное наклонение3. **филол.** императив

categorical imperative - категорический императив

2. [ɪm'perətɪv] a

1. повелительный властный

imperative command - властное приказание, властный приказ

imperative gesture - повелительный жест

to say smth. in an imperative tone - сказать что-л. повелительным тоном / тоном приказания/

2. настоятельный, необходимый, срочный

imperative request - категорическое требование; настоятельная просьба

an imperative duty - непреложный долг

it is imperative to go at once - необходимо пойти незамедлительно

the condition of the sick man made it imperative that I should return at once - состояние больного потребовало моего

немедленного возвращения

3. **грам.** повелительный

imperative mood - повелительное наклонение

imperative

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im-pera-tive [imperative imperatives] adjective, noun BrE [ɪm'perətɪv] ^ˈ NAmE[ɪm'perətɪv] ^ˈ

adjective

1. not usually before noun (formal) very important and needing immediate attention or action**Syn:** ↑vital• ~ **(that...)** It is absolutely imperative that we finish by next week.• ~ **(to do sth)** It is imperative to continue the treatment for at least two months.**2. (formal)** expressing authority

• an imperative tone

3. only before noun (grammar) expressing an order

• an imperative sentence

Word Origin:late Middle English (as a grammatical term): from late Latin *imperativus* (literally 'specially ordered', translating Greek *prostatikē enklisis* 'imperative mood'), from *imperare* 'to command', from *in-* 'towards' + *parare* 'make ready'.Language Bank:**vital***Saying that something is necessary***It is vital that** ▪ journalists can verify the accuracy of their reports.▪ Journalists play a **vital** ▪ / **crucial** ▪ role in educating the public.▪ Public trust is a **crucial** ▪ issue for all news organizations.▪ The ability to write well is **essential** ▪ for any journalist.▪ The Internet has become an **indispensable** ▪ tool for reporters.▪ In journalism, accuracy is **paramount** ▪ . / ...is **of paramount importance** ▪ .**It is imperative that** ▪ journalists maintain the highest possible standards of reporting.

Synonyms at ↑essential

Language Banks at ↑emphasis, ↑impersonal

Example Bank:

• The collapse of the wall made it imperative to keep the water out by some other means.

• We consider it absolutely imperative to start work immediately.

• It is imperative for your recovery to continue the treatment for at least two months.

noun

1. (formal) a thing that is very important and needs immediate attention or action

• the economic imperative of quality education for all

2. (grammar) the form of a verb that expresses an order; a verb in this form• In 'Go away!' the verb is **in the imperative** .

• 'Go away!' is an imperative.

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1. extremely important and needing to be done or dealt with immediately:

" It is imperative that politicians should be good communicators.**it is imperative (for somebody) to do something**

" It is imperative to meet face to face with the client.

2. *technical* an imperative verb is one that expresses an order, such as 'stand up'**—imperatively** *adverb*II. **imperative**² *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *noun* [countable]

1. something that must be done urgently:

" A broad and balanced education is an imperative for raising standards.

2. *formal* an idea or belief that has a strong influence on people, making them behave in a particular way:" Sharing food is the most important moral imperative in Semai society.3. *technical* the form of a verb that expresses an order. For example, in the order 'Come here', 'come' is in the imperative.**imperative**

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