

perverse[pəˈvɜːs] *a*

1. порочный, извращённый; испорченный
perverse fancy - извращённое воображение
2. 1) упрямый, упорствующий (в своей неправоте)
blind and perverse incredulity - слепое и упрямое неверие
perverse neglect - упорное пренебрежение
perverse person - упрямый человек
- 2) несговорчивый, капризный, своенравный
a most perverse woman - очень капризная женщина
3. 1) неправильный, нарушающий нормы
perverse proportions - неправильные пропорции
- 2) превратный, ошибочный

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per·verse *BrE* [pəˈvɜːs] *NAmE* [pərˈvɜːrs] *adjective*

showing deliberate determination to behave in a way that most people think is wrong, unacceptable or unreasonable

- a perverse decision (= one that most people do not expect and think is wrong)
- She finds a perverse pleasure in upsetting her parents.
- Do you really mean that or are you just being **deliberately perverse** ?
- For some perverse reason he is refusing to see a doctor.
- It would be perverse to quit now that we're almost finished.

Derived Words ↑perversely ▪ ↑perversityWord Origin:late Middle English (in the sense 'turned away from what is right or good'): from Old French *pervers(ə)*, from Latin *perversus* 'turned about', from the verb *pervertere* from *per-* 'thoroughly, to ill effect' + *vertere* 'to turn'.Thesaurus:**perverse** *adj.*

- Are you being deliberately perverse about this?

awkward • • **difficult** • • **unhelpful** • • **uncooperative** • • **obstructive** •
deliberately perverse/awkward/obstructive

Example Bank:

- She's marrying him out of sheer perversity.
- a sordid tale of sexual perversity

Example Bank:

- This kind of reasoning is deeply perverse
- Do you really mean that, or are you just being deliberately perverse?
- It would be perverse to quit now that we're almost finished.

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per·verse /pəˈvɜːs/ *BrE* *AmE* *adjective*[*Date:* 1300-1400; *Language:* Latin; *Origin:* past participle of *pervertere* ⇒ ↑*pervert*]behaving in an unreasonable way, especially by deliberately doing the opposite of what people want you to do ⇒ **bizarre** :

He gets perverse satisfaction from embarrassing people.

—perversely *adverb*:

Perversely, she was irritated by his kindness.

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