

# apprehend

[,æprɪ'hend] *v*

- предчувствовать, предвидеть, предполагать (*недобро*); опасаться; ждать (*чего-л.*) со страхом  
 to apprehend disagreeable surprises - опасаться неприятных неожиданностей  
 to apprehend a danger - предчувствовать опасность  
 to apprehend the aggravation of a malady - предполагать ухудшение в ходе болезни  
 to apprehend a change of weather - ожидать, что погода испортится
- арестовывать; задерживать  
 to apprehend a thief [a deserter] - задержать /схватить/ вора [дезертира]
- арх.*, *книжн.* постигать, понимать  
 to apprehend the intentions of an author - понять замысел автора  
 you are, I apprehend, ready to pay - вы, как я понимаю, готовы уплатить

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

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ap-pre-hend [apprehend apprehends apprehended apprehending] *BrE*

[,æprɪ'hend] *NAme* [,æprɪ'hend] *verb (formal)*

- ~ **sb** (*of the police*) to catch sb and arrest them
  - The police apprehended an armed suspect near the scene of the crime.
  - The thief was apprehended in the act of stealing a car.
- ~ **sth** (*old-fashioned*) to understand or recognize sth
  - He was slow to apprehend danger.

Verb forms: *verb forms*

present simple	
I / you / we / they	apprehend
	BrE / ,æprɪ 'hend/
	NAme / ,æprɪ 'hend/
he / she / it	apprehends
	BrE / ,æprɪ 'hendz/
	NAme / ,æprɪ 'hendz/
past simple, past participle	apprehended
	BrE / ,æprɪ 'hendɪd/
	NAme / ,æprɪ 'hendɪd/
-ing form	apprehending
	BrE / ,æprɪ 'hendɪŋ/
	NAme / ,æprɪ 'hendɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English (originally in the sense 'grasp, get hold of (physically or mentally)': from French *appréhender* or Latin *apprehendere* from ad- 'towards' + *prehendere* 'lay hold of'.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

ap-pre-hend /,æprɪ'hend/ *BrE* *AmE* *verb [transitive]*

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: apprehendere 'to take hold of', from ad- 'to' + prehendere 'to seize']

- formal* if the police apprehend a criminal, they catch him or her **SYN** *arrest*:  
 \* The police have failed to apprehend the culprits.
- old-fashioned* to understand something:  
 \* They were slow to apprehend the danger.

## THESAURUS

- catch** to stop someone who is trying to escape, especially by running after them and then holding them: He raced after her, but he couldn't catch her. | The police caught the bank robbers after a car chase through the city.
- arrest** if the police arrest someone, they take him or her to a police station because they think that person has done something illegal: Wayne was arrested for dangerous driving. | The police arrested him and charged him with murder.
- apprehend** *formal* if the police apprehend someone they think has done something illegal, they catch him or her: The two men were later apprehended after they robbed another store. | The killers were never apprehended. | All of the kidnappers were apprehended and convicted.
- capture** to catch an enemy or a criminal in order to keep them as a prisoner: The French king was captured by the English at the battle of Poitiers in 1356. | The gunmen were finally captured after a shoot-out with the police.
- take somebody prisoner** to catch someone, especially in a war, in order to keep them as a prisoner: 350 soldiers were killed and another 300 taken prisoner. | Ellison was taken prisoner by the Germans during the retreat to Dunkirk.
- trap** to make someone go to a place from which they cannot escape, especially by using your skill and intelligence: Police trapped the man inside a bar on the city's southside.
- corner** to force someone into a place from which they cannot escape: He was cornered outside the school by three gang members.

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