

conference

[ˈkɒnf(ə)rəns] *n*

1. 1) конференция совещание
international conference - международная конференция/-ое совещание/
Heads-of-Government Conference - совещание глав правительств
conference desk - длинный стол для заседаний
- 2) обмен мнениями, консультация, совещание
to be in conference - а) быть на совещании, совещаться; заседать; б) консультироваться; в) **канц.** принимать посетителей
вести приём
the director is in conference now - директор сейчас занят, у директора сейчас посетители
2. награждение (*медалью и т. п.*); пожалование (*титула и т. п.*); присуждение (*учёной степени и т. п.*)
3. картельное соглашение между судовладельцами
conference rate - **ком.** картельная фрахтовая ставка
4. **амер.** ассоциация (университетов, спортивных команд, церковей *и т. п.*)

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con-fer-ence **AW** [conference conferences] **BrE** ['kɒnfərəns] ^u **NAmE**

[ˈkɒnˌfərəns] ^u **noun**

1. a large official meeting, usually lasting for a few days, at which people with the same work or interests come together to discuss their views
 - The hotel is used for exhibitions, conferences and social events.
 - a **conference room/centre/hall**
 - She is attending a three-day conference on AIDS education.
 - The conference will be held in Glasgow.
 - delegates to the Labour Party's annual conference
2. a meeting at which people have formal discussions
 - Ministers from all four countries involved will meet at the **conference table** this week.
 - He was **in conference** with his lawyers all day.

see also ↑ **press conference**
3. (**especially NAmE**) a group of sports teams that play against each other in a league
 - Southeast Conference football champions

Word Origin:

early 16th cent. (in the general sense 'conversation, talk'): from French **conférence** or medieval Latin **conferentia**, from Latin **conferre** 'bring together', from **con-** 'together' + **ferre** 'bring'.

Thesaurus:

conference **noun** **C, U**

- A three-day conference was held in Glasgow.

convention • • **summit** • • **session** • • **gathering** • • **assembly** • • **meeting** • | **especially AmE** **caucus** •

an **annual** conference/convention/summit/session/gathering/assembly/meeting

an **international** conference/convention/summit/session/gathering/assembly/meeting

hold a/an conference/convention/summit/session/gathering/assembly/meeting/caucus

attend a/an conference/convention/summit/session/gathering/assembly/meeting

Example Bank:

- Few reporters turned up to his press conference about low pay.
- He was in conference with= in a meeting with his lawyers all day.
- Management had a joint conference with the union.
- The conference adopted a resolution on minority rights.
- The conference agreed to adopt a set of compromise proposals.
- The conference brought together historians working in a variety of fields.
- The conference featured a keynote address by one of our most eminent scientists .
- The conference heard an appeal from a representative from one of the more deprived areas.
- The party leader made a morale-boosting speech from the conference platform.
- We met at an international conference.
- a conference about Internet piracy
- a conference between the warring parties
- a conference devoted to the topic of peace
- a conference entitled 'Strategies for Epidemic Control'
- a conference examining cross-border cooperation
- a conference for catering managers
- a conference on economic aid
- a conference on economic monetary union
- an inter-governmental conference examining cross-border cooperation
- Delegates to the Labour Party's annual conference will be staying in the Grand Hotel.
- The AIDS conference will be held in Glasgow.
- The meeting was held in a conference centre in Birmingham.

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[Word Family: verb: ↑confer; noun: ↑conference]

1. a large formal meeting where a lot of people discuss important matters such as business, politics, or science, especially for several days:

* Representatives from over 100 countries attended the International Peace Conference in Geneva.

conference on

* a UN conference on the environment ⇨ ↑**press conference**

2. a private meeting for a few people to have formal discussions

conference with

* After a brief conference with his aides, he left for the airport.

conference room/table etc

* The meeting will be held in the conference room at 10 am.

in conference

* Mr Dickson is in conference.

3. **American English** a group of teams that play against each other to see who is the best:

* the Western Conference finals

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COLLOCATIONS**■ verbs**

- **go to a conference** (also **attend a conference formal**) Hundreds of delegates are attending the conference.
- **hold a conference** (=have one) Their annual conference was held in Chicago.
- **host a conference** (=have it in your country) In June, Japan hosted a peace conference.
- **organize a conference** The administration organized a conference on Africa.
- **convene a conference formal** (=arrange one) a national conference on school violence convened by the U. S. Department of Education
- **address a conference** (=give a speech at one) He received a warm welcome when he addressed the conference.

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + conference

- **a peace/climate/sales etc conference** an international climate conference in Sweden
- **a world/international conference** the world conference on human rights
- **a national conference** Brazil's national conference on health
- **a regional conference** In Northern Africa, there have been important regional conferences on education.
- **an annual conference** the biggest annual conference for teachers of English
- **a party conference** (=for a particular political party) the Labour party conference
- **a summit conference** (=for the leaders of governments) The heads of most Arab states met in Amman for a summit conference.

■ conference + NOUN

- **conference facilities** The hotel has conference facilities for 100 people.
- **a conference centre** (=a building or group of buildings used for conferences)
- **a conference hall** Thousands of people demonstrated outside the conference hall, demanding government action.

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