

discover

[dɪ'skʌvə] *v*

1. 1) открывать, делать открытие
to discover radium [a new island] - открыть радий [новый остров]
- 2) обнаруживать, находить
to discover that one has made a mistake - обнаружить, что допустил ошибку
to discover a plot - раскрыть заговор
to discover a good chauffeur - найти хорошего шофёра
we discovered it to be a small lake - мы обнаружили, что это было небольшое озеро
2. *арх.* открывать, раскрывать; поведать
to discover a secret to one's friends - поделиться секретом с друзьями
to discover oneself - открыться (*кому-л.*)
3. *шахм.* объявлять со вскрытием *или* со взятием фигуры
to discover check - объявить вскрытый шах

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dis·cover [discover discovers discovered discovering] *BrE* [dɪ'skʌvə(r)] ^u

NAmE [dɪ'skʌvə] ^u **verb**

1. ~ **sth** to be the first person to become aware that a particular place or thing exists
 - Cook is credited with discovering Hawaii.
 - Scientists around the world are working to discover a cure for AIDS.
2. to find sb/sth that was hidden or that you did not expect to find
 - ~ **sb/sth** Police discovered a large stash of drugs while searching the house.
 - We discovered this beach while we were sailing around the island.
 - ~ **sb/sth doing sth** He was discovered hiding in a shed.
 - ~ **sb/sth + adj.** She was discovered dead at her home in Leeds.
3. to find out about sth; to find some information about sth
 - ~ **sth** I've just discovered hang-gliding!
 - ~ **(that)...** It was a shock to discover (that) he couldn't read.
 - ~ **why, how, etc...** We never did discover why she gave up her job.
 - **it is discovered that...** It was later discovered that the diaries were a fraud.
 - **sb/sth is discovered to be/have...** He was later discovered to be seriously ill.
4. **often passive** ~ **sb** to be the first person to realize that sb is very good at singing, acting, etc. and help them to become successful and famous
 - The singer was discovered while still at school.

Derived Word ↑discoverer

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	discover
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'skʌvə(r)/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'skʌvə/
he / she / it	discovers
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'skʌvəz/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'skʌvəz/
past simple, past participle	discovered
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'skʌvəd/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'skʌvəd/
-ing form	discovering
	<i>BrE</i> /dɪ'skʌvərɪŋ/
	<i>NAmE</i> /dɪ'skʌvərɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Middle English (in the sense 'make known'): from Old French *descovrir*, from late Latin *discooperire*, from Latin *dis-* (expressing reversal) + *cooperire* 'cover completely', from *co-* (expressing intensive force) + *operire* 'to cover'.

Thesaurus:

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1. **T**
 - He was discovered hiding in the shed.
 - Cook is credited with discovering Hawaii.

find • • **come across sb/sth** • • **stumble on/across/upon sb/sth** • • **catch** • • **unearth** •

discover/find/come across/catch sb **doing sth**
 discover/find/stumble upon a **body**
 discover/find/unearth the **remains** (of sth)
 discover/find/stumble upon sth **by accident**
2. **T**
 - Scientists are working to discover a cure for AIDS.

find • • **identify** • • **establish** • |**formal determine** • • **ascertain** •

discover/find/identify/establish/determine/ascertain the **cause**
 discover/find/identify/establish a **connection**
 discover/find **the answer/a cure**

3. T

- It was a shock to discover that he couldn't swim.

find • • find out (sth) • • hear • • learn •

discover/find/find out/hear/learn **that...**

discover/find out/hear/learn **how/what/why...**

discover/find out/learn the **facts/truth/secret/identity**

Example Bank:

- It was a terrible shock to discover the full extent of the problem.
- It would be fascinating to discover more about the town's history.
- She was surprised to discover he was perfectly capable around the house.
- There's great talent out there just waiting to be discovered.
- We are trying to discover the truth about his disappearance.
- We soon discovered we'd been mistaken.
- recently discovered evidence
- But how had he discovered her whereabouts?
- He claims to have discovered a direct correlation between the nuclear tests and earthquakes.
- He is credited with having discovered the first recipe for gin back in the 1600s.
- He was discovered hiding in the shed.
- It was a shock to discover that he couldn't read.
- She subsequently discovered that he'd been having an affair for several months.
- She was determined to discover the truth about her neighbours.
- The leak was first discovered last month.
- The relics were discovered in a lead box in the ruins of an abbey.

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[Word Family: **noun**: ↑discoverer, ↑discovery; **verb**: ↑discover]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: découvrir, from Late Latin discooperire 'to uncover']

1. to find someone or something, either by accident or because you were looking for them:

" The body was discovered in a field.

" Forest Service crews often discover campfires that have not been put out completely.

2. to find out something that you did not know about before:

" The exercises let students discover math concepts on their own.

discover (that)

" She discovered that she was pregnant.

discover who/what/how etc

" His friends were shocked to discover how ill he was.

3. if someone discovers a new place, fact, substance etc, they are the first person to find it or know that it exists:

" The Curies are best known for discovering radium.

4. to notice or try something for the first time and start to enjoy it:

" At fourteen, Louise discovered boys.

5. to notice someone who is very good at something and help them to become successful and well-known:

" a band that's waiting to be discovered

—**discoverer** *noun* [countable]

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- **find** to get or see something that you have been searching for: Have you found your passport yet? | Police later found the car abandoned in a wood.
- **discover** to find something that was hidden or that people did not know about before: A second bomb has been discovered in south London.
- **locate** *formal* to find the exact position of something: The airline are still trying to locate my luggage. | Online maps make it easy to locate almost any place in the world.
- **come across something** to find something unexpectedly when you are not looking for it: I came across some old letters from my father in my drawer.
- **stumble on/across something** to find something unexpectedly, especially something very important: They may have stumbled across some vital evidence. | Completely by chance we had stumbled on the biggest hit of the year.
- **trace** to find someone or something that has disappeared, especially by a careful process of collecting information: She had given up all hope of tracing her missing daughter.
- **track somebody/something down** to find someone or something that is difficult to find by searching in different places: I've been trying to track down a book that's out of print. | The police managed to track down the killer.
- **unearth** to find something that has been hidden or lost for a long time, by digging or searching for it: In 1796, a carved stone was unearthed near the burial mound.

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