

reference**1. [ˈref(ə)rəns] n**

1. (to) ссылка (*на кого-л., что-л.*); упоминание (*о чём-л., ком-л.*)

to make reference to smb., smth. - ссылаться на кого-л., что-л.; упоминать о ком-л., чём-л.

(a) reference to a previous conversation - ссылка на имевший место разговор

no further reference to him was made - о нём больше не упоминали

his memoirs contain many references to interesting people - в своих мемуарах он говорит о многих интересных людях

he gave us a reference to his last employer - он предложил нам навести о нём справки у его прежнего нанимателя

••Reference Mr. Smith•• - *офиц.* в ответе сошлитесь на г-на Смита (*надпись на шапке делового письма*)

with /in/ reference - *офиц.* ссылаясь на [ср. тж. 7]

with reference to your reply - *офиц.* ссылаясь на ваш ответ

2. 1) сноска, выноска (*в книге*); ссылка (*на примечание, источник и т. п.*)

cross reference - перекрёстная ссылка

reference bible - издание Библии с перекрёстными ссылками

list of reference - а) список (цитированной) литературы б) список условных обозначений, легенда

the writer gives no references to his authorities - автор не даёт ссылок на источники

2) *полигр.* знак сноски (*тж. reference mark*)

3. справка

reference room - а) справочный зал; б) читальный зал (*библиотеки*)

reference librarian - библиограф-консультант

book of reference - справочник

to make reference to the guidebook [to a catalogue, to a dictionary] - справиться в путеводителе [в каталоге, в словаре]

for reference, reference only - только для справочной работы, только для пользования в стенах библиотеки (*о книгах*)

4. 1) рекомендация; отзыв

reference letter - рекомендательное письмо

reference (reading) list - рекомендательный список (литературы)

to engage a servant without references - нанять слугу без рекомендаций

to have good references - иметь хорошие отзывы /рекомендации, -ую характеристику/

2) лицо, дающее рекомендацию; поручитель

who are your references? - кто может за вас поручиться?, кто вас рекомендует?

you may use my name as reference - вы можете сослаться на меня

3) *ком.* референция

bank /banker's/ references - банковские референции

5. компетенция (*комиссии и т. п.*); круг полномочий, ведение (*тж. terms of reference, редк. order of reference*)

wide [limited] reference - широкий [ограниченный] круг полномочий

to keep to /within/ the (terms of) reference - не выходить за пределы полномочий

it is outside the reference of the commission - это не относится к компетенции комиссии

6. *преим. юр.*

1) передача на рассмотрение (*в инстанцию*)

the peerage was allowed without reference to the House of Lords - титул пэра был пожалован без рассмотрения вопроса в палате лордов

2) передача дела на рассмотрение третейского судьи; разбор дела третейским судьёй

7. 1) соотношение, связь

reference of a fact to its cause - установление связи факта с его причиной

in /with/ reference to - относительно в отношении; что касается [ср. тж. 1]

with reference to my letter of the 20th inst. - *офиц.* в связи с моим письмом от 20 сего месяца

with reference to nothing at all he asked me - ни с того ни с сего он спросил меня

without reference to - безотносительно независимо; без всякой связи

he acted without reference to me - он действовал независимо от меня

2) *филос.* соотнесение

8. *лингв.* обозначаемое, референция денотат

the variables carry information concerning the reference of the expression - переменные несут информацию о том, что обозначено данным выражением /о денотате данного выражения/

9. *тех.* эталон, стандарт

reference standard - *спец.* стандартный образец (*эталон состава или свойства для проверки приборов*)

reference line - *спец.* линия отсчёта

reference point - *спец.* контрольная точка, базисная точка

reference system - *спец.* система отсчёта

reference frame - *мат.* система координат

2. [ˈref(ə)rəns] v

1. снабжать (*текст*) ссылками, сносками

2. давать ссылку (*на источник, примечание*)

3. подавать в виде таблиц *и т. п.* (*для удобства пользования*)

reference

ref-er-ence [reference references referenced referencing] noun, verb BrE

[ˈrefrəns] ¹ NAmE [ˈrefrəns] ²

noun

MENTIONING SB/STH

1. **countable, uncountable** ~ (to sb/sth) a thing you say or write that mentions sb/sth else; the act of mentioning sb/sth

- The book is full of references to growing up in India.
- She **made** no **reference to** her illness but only to her future plans.
- the President's **passing reference to** (= brief mention of) the end of the war

LOOKING FOR INFORMATION

2. **uncountable** the act of looking at sth for information

- Keep the list of numbers near the phone for easy reference.
- I wrote down the name of the hotel **for future reference** (= because it might be useful in the future).
- The library contains many popular **works of reference** (= reference books).

ASKING FOR ADVICE

3. **uncountable** ~ (to sb/sth) (formal) the act of asking sb for help or advice

- The emergency nurse can treat minor injuries without reference to a doctor.

NUMBER/WORD/SYMBOL

4. **countable** (abbr. **ref.**) a number, word or symbol that shows where sth is on a map, or where you can find a piece of information

- The map reference is Y4.
- Please quote your **reference number** when making an enquiry.

FOR NEW JOB

5. **countable** a letter written by sb who knows you, giving information about your character and abilities, especially to a new employer

- We will **take up references** after the interview.

6. **countable** a person who agrees to write a **reference**, for you, for example when you are applying for a job

Syn: ↑referee

- My previous boss will act as a reference for me.

IN BOOK

7. **countable** a note in a book that tells you where a particular piece of information comes from

- There is a list of references at the end of each chapter.

see also ↑cross reference, ↑frame of reference, ↑terms of reference

Thesaurus:

reference noun

1. C, U

- In an obvious reference to the president, she talked of corruption in high places.

mention • |informal **quote** • |formal **allusion** • • **quotation** • • **citation** •

in a reference/an allusion **to** sb/sth

make no reference to/mention of sb/sth

be full of references/allusions to sth

Reference or mention? **Reference** is usually countable; the uncountable form is mostly used in fixed expressions in formal writing. **Mention** is more often uncountable; the countable form can be slightly informal, as in the phrase **get a mention**.

2. C

- You should supply a reference from your current employer.

recommendation • • **testimonial** • • **endorsement** •

a/an reference/recommendation/testimonial/endorsement **from** sb

a reference/an endorsement **for** sb/sth

a **glowing** reference/testimonial/recommendation/endorsement

Reference or recommendation? **Reference** is the usual word for a letter written by sb to say that another person is suitable for sth such as a new job. A **reference** can be from a former employer or other suitable person, but a **recommendation** is usually from a former employer.

Example Bank:

- Gene frequencies were calculated then compared with the Finnish population as a reference group.
- He dropped casual references to the legacy of his great work.
- Her diary contains no reference to the alleged appointment.
- His former employer agreed to act as a reference for him.
- I am writing with reference to your job application.
- I made a copy of your work, just for my own reference.
- In an obvious reference to the president, he talked of corruption in high places.
- Our charges are calculated by reference to an hourly rate.
- People interpret events within their own frame of reference.
- Please quote the appropriate reference in your letter.
- Please send a full CV, quoting the appropriate reference.
- References to original sources are given at the end of each chapter.
- Retain a copy of the form for future reference.
- She needs the book for reference purposes.
- She won a grant to study political science with special reference to China.

- The article makes no reference to his first marriage.
- The audience didn't get the references to colonialism.
- The book is an invaluable source of reference for the art historian.
- The book is by far the best general reference on natural history.
- The book is filled with references to God.
- The book is organized alphabetically for easy reference.
- The cross-references refer you to information in other parts of the dictionary.
- The date of publication should be included in the reference.
- The decision was made without reference to local managers.
- The matter was outside the committee's terms of reference.
- The new constitution dropped all reference to previous wars.
- The summary should be comprehensible without reference back to the source work.
- They could find no further reference to Mr LaMotte in the records.
- They've taken up my references, so they must be interested in me.
- They've taken up my references= contacted the people who provided them, so they must be interested in me.
- Unemployment serves as a useful point of reference in examining social problems.
- You'll find the information in the reference section of your local library.
- a reference from your current employer
- a reference to page 17
- an online reference tool
- one of the earliest references to the game of chess
- Dr Kemp had written a reference for her when she left.
- He had a number of good character references, including one from a retired policeman.
- He's studying political science with special reference to China.
- She made no reference to her illness, but only to her future plans.
- The library contains many popular works of reference.
- With reference to your letter of 22 July...
- a reference book

Idiom: ↑in reference to

verb ~ sth (formal)

to refer to sth; to provide a book, etc. with references

- Each chapter is referenced, citing literature up to 2008.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	reference
	BrE / 'refrəns/
	NAme / 'refrəns/
he / she / it	references
	BrE / 'refrənsɪz/
	NAme / 'refrənsɪz/
past simple, past participle	referenced
	BrE / 'refrənst/
	NAme / 'refrənst/
-ing form	referencing
	BrE / 'refrənsɪŋ/
	NAme / 'refrənsɪŋ/

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I. refer¹ [S2 W1] /'refərəns/ BrE AmE noun

[Word Family: verb: ↑refer, ↑referee, ↑reference; noun: ↑referee, ↑reference, ↑referral; adjective: ↑referable]

1. [uncountable and countable] part of something you say or write in which you mention a person or thing

reference to

- There is no direct reference to her own childhood in the novel.
- The article made no reference to previous research on the subject.
- The governormade only a passing reference to the problem of unemployment (=he mentioned it quickly).

2. [uncountable] the act of looking at something for information

for easy/quick reference

- A vocabulary index is included for easy reference.
- Keep their price list on file for future reference (=so that it can be looked at in the future).
- The book will become a standard work of reference (=a book that people look at for information).

3. reference point (also point/frame of reference)

a) an idea, fact, event etc that you already know, which helps you understand or make a judgment about another situation:

- Lee's case will be the reference point for lawyers in tomorrow's trial.
- She used her work experience as a frame of reference for her teaching.

b) something that you can see that helps you to know where you are when you are travelling in an area

4. in/with reference to something formal used to say what you are writing or talking about, especially in business letters:

- I am writing to you in reference to the job opening in your department.

5. [countable]

a) (also letter of reference) a letter containing information about you that is written by someone who knows you well, and is

usually intended for a new employer:

We will need references from your former employers.

b) a person who provides information about your character and abilities **SYN referee** :

Ask your teacher to act as one of your references.

6. [countable] a book, article etc from which information has been obtained:

a comprehensive list of references

7. [countable] a number that tells you where you can find the information you want in a book, on a map etc:

a list of towns, each with a map reference

⇒ ↑cross-reference, ⇒ terms of reference at ↑term¹(10)

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COLLOCATIONS

■ verbs

▪ **make reference to something** Official reports made no reference to the incident.

■ phrases

▪ **there is a reference to something** There are 32 references to eagles in the Bible.

■ adjectives

▪ **a specific/direct/explicit reference** (=mentioning something specifically/directly etc) No specific reference was made to the race of the children.

▪ **an oblique reference** (=not direct) He added, in an oblique reference to the US, that 'some countries could do more'.

▪ **a brief reference** Brief references to the tragedy have appeared in the French press.

▪ **a passing reference** (=one that you make while you are talking about something else) He made only a passing reference to his injury.

▪ **frequent/constant/repeated references** Medieval literature contains frequent references to insanity.

▪ **an occasional reference** During the interview, he made only occasional references to his forthcoming autobiography.

II. **reference** ² BrE ³ AmE ⁴ verb [transitive] written

[Word Family: verb: ↑refer, ↑referee, ↑reference; noun: ↑referee, ↑reference, ↑referral; adjective: ↑referable]

to mention another book, article etc that contains information connected with the subject you are writing about:

The book does not reference anything written in the last 10 years.

reference

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15000 **755**^{COCA}

RANGE: **1k** REFER 62158

refer 7853

refers 7111

referring 8438

referred 12394

referral 1956

referrals 1455

referent 529

referents 230

reference 15329

references 6630

referential 233

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

9272 **2965**¹⁴¹⁹⁰ nn1

462 **29589**⁵⁶⁹ ii32

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135 **60131**¹⁵⁷ vvi

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